

DECEMBER 2018/JANUARY 2009

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

READERS

23 December

10.30 G Barker, R Thompson, C O'Connor
6.30 G Conroy

P Brisbane, G Haddock
F McCormick,

PLEASE FILL IN THE CHRISTMAS ROTA (24, 25 DECEMBER) AT THE BACK OF CHURCH

30 December

10.30 E Hardcastle
6.30

B Lingwood, J Rule

6 January

10.30
6.30

13 January

10.30
6.30

20 January

10.30
6.30

Please fill in the rather empty-looking January rota a.s.a.p.!

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED: Please remember to pray for persecuted Christians and for the work of ACN. **Could you go to an extra Mass and/or Eucharistic Adoration on behalf of a Christian who cannot?** Please take a leaflet from the stand at the back of church.

May God, his Mother Mary and the Guardian Angels watch over those who are being persecuted for the faith. Touch the hearts and consciences of those who persecute them. Help those of us with freedom to practise our faith to love the Mass which so many of our brothers and sisters would give their lives to take part in.

VISITORS TO ST GEORGE'S CHURCH

Welcome to you all and thank you for joining us for Mass. We hope you enjoy your stay in York and your visit to our parish! **Please join us for coffee in the Sacristy after 10.30 Mass on Sunday. We'd love to see you!** Also, if you are making a donation, we'd be really grateful if you would use a Gift Aid envelope from the table at the back of the church. For every £1 you donate we can then claim back 25p from the Inland Revenue. *Many thanks for your support.*



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Sunday 23 December 2018

Fourth Sunday of Advent Year C (Office Week 4)

Sunday 10.30am: G + R Haddock in thanks for 50 yrs. of marriage
6.30pm: People of the parish

Next Sunday's Readings: I Samuel 1:20-22,24-28, Colossians 3:12-21; Luke 4:41-52

Unless announced otherwise service times are:

Tuesday - Saturday: Morning Prayer 9.15am, Mass 9.30am
Exposition and Confessions: Saturday morning after Mass until 11.00

FEAST

INTENTIONS

Mon Christmas Eve 9.30 am, followed by confessions until 11.00 am

First Mass of Christmas 8 pm
Polish Mass 10pm

Edward Granger
John Hammond

Tues Christmas Day 9.30 am

Judy Westerdale

Wed NO MASS

Morgan family

Thu St. John, Apostle, Evangelist

Pat Hendry

Fri Holy Innocents, Martyrs

Emma Beswick

Sat St. Thomas Becket, Bishop, Martyr

Carma Mary Browne

Confessions and Exposition until 11.00 am

CHRISTMAS MASSES - ALL ARE WELCOME TO ALL SERVICES!

Lately dead:

Anniversaries:

Masses received for: Judy Westerdale, John Hammond, Edward Granger

Sunday 30th December

Feast of the Holy Family

10.30 am Pat Hendry 6.30 pm People of the Parish

Mon	NO MASS	November List
Tues	NO MASS	C Bell, J + D Sapiano
Wed	NO MASS	June Sullivan
Thurs 9.30		November List
Fri 9.30		Pat + Michael White
Sat 9.30		Dennis White

Confessions and Exposition until 11.00 am

9.30 am Masses are preceded by Morning Prayer at 9.15 am

PARISH NEWS AND INFORMATION

Mobile Phones: please switch them off during Mass.

Catholic Diaries with order of Mass available near St Anthony at back of church £4.95. Also 10 minute diaries £8.95

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Fridays 10.15am-6.00pm in the Corpus Christi Carmelites' chapel for peace and reconciliation.

Gift Aid: If any parishioner, who is a tax payer, would like to join the Gift Aid Scheme they should speak to the Gift Aid Organiser, Seamus O'Neill.

Anniversary of Baptism cards: As some of you may know, until recently we have sent out cards to children baptised here by Canon Alan to celebrate their 1st, 2nd and 3rd anniversaries of baptism. GDPR legislation (data protection) now prevents us doing this without permission from parent/guardian. We'd like to continue! If you know of a child to whom this may apply, please see the notice at the back of church, where there is also a supply of forms which can be filled in and handed to Canon Alan to allow this to continue.

Vestments: Thank you for a number of large donations - we have now funded them all.

The GDPR Legislation: The Catholic Insurance Service has given instructions to the Diocese regarding the new GDPR (Data Protection Regulations) legislation which is now in force. It means, for instance, that without the written consent of those who are ill (they and they alone can give it) we are no longer able to publish their names in the parish newsletter. Whilst this seems to be a bit of a blow for us pastorally, we do pray for those who are ill and will continue to do so. Likewise, Mass Intentions for those who are living should be simply listed as a Private Intention with the surname of the donor.

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Sunday Lunch: A group of parishioners meet for lunch on the 1st Sunday of the month at the Black Bull on Hull Road. This is after 10.30am Mass & Coffee. Anyone wishing to join us please speak to Pat Hickson or Paddy Cox.

Red Boxes: There are new red boxes available at the back of church. Please see Ann Middleton or Terry Garvey if you would like one. If we run out we will order more. Thank you

St Bede's 'Exploring Prayer' Course: Seven dates in Spring. Cost £75. Participants will be expected to attend all sessions. See poster and flyer for details.

A Hunger: This is a musical play first performed at Joseph Rowntree Theatre in 2000 by children of St George's School. It starts in Ireland at the time of the potato famine. It tells of the trials and tribulations of a family fleeing the starvation and of how they came to York as St George's Church and School were becoming established. We would like to perform the play again with a cast of adults and children. If you would like to be part of this project either on the acting or production side please give your name to Norman Fowler or Rosa Di Lorenzo.

Middlesbrough Diocese LGBT: On the second Sunday of each month, at 3.00pm in the Bar Convent chapel: Masses giving explicit welcome to LGBT people, their families and friends.

Parish Census Forms: With the advent of GDPR (Data Protection Regulations) we cannot keep information unnecessarily, for too long or without express permission. We have destroyed lots of old information but we do need to keep in touch with you all: sometimes the bulletin just isn't enough. Please fill in the census forms available at the back of the church - this gives us the necessary permissions to "keep you on our books" so we can find out who everybody is and where you are from. Our congregation has changed tremendously since I first moved here 9 years ago.

Thank you to everyone who made the Carol Service so beautiful and meaningful, and to all who came along. Best numbers ever! Not that it is about numbers, but.....

We wish you all a very happy and holy Christmas and a blessed and peaceful New Year