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SUNDAY MASS 10:30am and 6:30pm
Weekday Mass in the Sacristy
Wednesday, Friday, Saturday at 10.00am
unless noted otherwise below
Confessions after all Masses in the Sacristy
Children's Liturgy of the Word
will resume in the New Year.

<> Parish Priest: Canon Jerry Twomey <>

<>SUNDAY 31 DECEMBER 2023 <> FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY <> YEAR B <> YEAR OF ST MARK <>

<> DIVINE OFFICE WEEK 2 <>

10.30am Mass - The Parish <> <> 6.30pm Mass - The Parish

Mon	1 Jan	<i>Mary, Mother of God</i>	Morning Prayer 9.45am	Mass 10.00am	
Wed	3	<i>The Most Holy Name of Jesus</i>	Morning Prayer 9.45am	Mass 10.00am	
Fri	5		Morning Prayer 9.45am	Mass 10.00am	
Sat	6		Morning Prayer 9.45am	Mass 10.00am	

A THOUGHT FROM THICKET – SUNDAY 31 DECEMBER FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

“The child in the manger extends its little hands and its smile seems to be saying what would come forth later from the lips of the man: 'Come to me all you who are weary and heavy'” (St Edith Stein)

<http://www.thicketpriorycarmel.org> [facebook@thicketpriorycarmel](https://www.facebook.com/thicketpriorycarmel)

FAITH INTO ACTION (MINI VINNIES): Could you help young people put faith into action? The St Vincent de Paul Society is looking for volunteers willing to help children put their faith into action. Could this be you? Volunteers would support teachers or youth leaders wishing to start an SVP primary school Mini Vinnies group in their school or parish. If you are passionate about helping children discover how they can make a difference in their communities, email Sarah on youngvincentians@svp.org.uk for more information.

FAIRTRADE STALL: With very many thanks to St George's supporters. Approximately £2,500 worth of goods were sold in 2023. This was almost double that sold in 2022 due, in part, to the stall being available after the evening Mass. The stall is now open after both Sunday Masses usually on the second Sunday of the month. **A list giving the dates of 2024's stalls has been posted at the back of church.** The list includes some Easter and Christmas 'Specials'. The next stall will be on **14 January** after both Masses. **A full End of Year Report is on the Laudato Si notice board.**

LAUDATO SI – RECYCLING BOX AT CHURCH: Many thanks to parishioners who have responded so well to the request for recycling 'tricky materials' in the Recycling Box at the back of Church near Our Lady of Sorrows. **Everything collected** so far has now been sorted and passed on to St Nicks for recycling. **Please feel free** to drop the following items in the Recycling Box: spent plastic pens, old plastic toothbrushes, empty toothpaste tubes, unwanted electric leads and clean aluminium foil (scrunched up first). **We cannot take foil blister packs e.g.** from empty strips of pills. These can be recycled at Superdrug Pharmacy Stores in town.

PRACTISING SYNODALITY: Four sessions to explore and develop our synodal listening, using the tools of Lectio Divina and listening conversations. Everyone is welcome to join us on Saturdays at 10.30am in the sacristy after morning Mass. Remaining sessions: **13/27 Jan, 3 Feb.**

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2023-2024: Please pray for the children preparing for first forgiveness and Holy Communion.

GIFT AID: Thank you to all who give to St George's in this way. For tax payers £1 donated becomes £1.25. To join the scheme please speak to **Seamus O'Neil**.

MASS FOR THE LGBTQ+ every second Sunday of the Month in the Chapel of the Bar Convent at 3.00pm. Door open at 2.30pm and it is followed by refreshments. All are welcome. www.lgbtmiddlesbroughcatholic.org.uk/

YORK HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY always welcomes referrals of anyone who would appreciate support during their time in hospital. There is a Catholic chaplain available 24/7. Contact through hospital: (01904) 631313

WEEKLY FOOD COLLECTIONS AT MASS: There is a basket at the back of Church for donations to . . .

- **Carecent:** Tinned items (beans, tomatoes, ham, spam), biscuits, shaving foam, razors.
- **Primary School (revised list) :** Shreddies, Frosties, Honey Loops (please check they do not contain nuts). **Scotch pancakes and bagels are very popular as is WEETABIX!** Thank you.
- Please send Mass requests, names of recently dead, anniversaries etc to Canon Jerry by Tuesday if through Rectory door or email stgeorges@rcdmidd.org.uk.
- Names of the sick to be included in the bulletin must be given to Canon Jerry in writing.
- Bulletin items to bulletin@stgeorgeschurch-york.org or by Tuesday if through Rectory door.

WELCOME TO ALL If you are visiting York, we hope you enjoy your time here. If new to the parish or would like to be involved in parish activities please make yourself known to Canon Jerry or to our Welcomers.