



ST MICHAEL & ST GEORGE

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Sunday, 6th January 2019

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD – YEAR C

Mass Intention: Tony Sage RIP

Hymns:

Entrance Hymn: 166
Offertory Hymn: 170
Communion Hymn: 145
Recessional Hymn: 150

Mass Settings:

Kyrie: 488 Acclamation: 493
Gloria: 489 Great Amen: 494
Sanctus: 490 Agnus Dei: 495

WELCOME

For our celebration today you will require a Mass Sheet, a hymn book and a copy of any Mass Settings that we are using, all of which are available from the Welcome Team.

There will be a Children's Liturgy today. Activity bags, containing appropriate books and other materials, may be found hanging on the chairs at the back of church to be borrowed to keep children engaged during Mass. Please replace after use.

After Mass refreshments are served at the back of the Cathedral.

COLLECTIONS

The plate collection for last Sunday was **£314.55**.

MINISTRIES TODAY

Readers: Col P Rossiter; Mrs S Cole
Extraordinary Ministers: Mrs P Beal; Mrs M Casey;
Mrs E Haddon; Mr A Howard
Welcome Team: Mrs O Beattie; Mrs E Gillham
Children's Liturgy: Mrs Y Spreadborough

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Wed 9th Jan: *Weekday of Christmas Time*
1145hrs – Midday Prayer & Angelus
1200hrs – Holy Mass
John Beattie RIP

MINISTRIES FOR NEXT SUNDAY, 13th JANUARY 2019

Readers: Mrs C Pritchard; Mrs N Francis-Crerar
Extraordinary Ministers: Mr D Beal; Mrs S Cole;
Col A Gillham; Mr J Thompson
Welcome Team: Mrs A Gosnell; Mrs G Hyman
Children's Liturgy: Mrs Y Spreadborough

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Please keep the members of our Armed Forces, their families and all support staff, in your personal intercessions.

PROTECTING LIFE

SPUC will be holding its annual White Flower Appeal next weekend. There will be a Special Collection on Sunday which will assist the Society to continue its work in upholding the sanctity of human life from conception until natural death. Further details may be found at: www.spuc.org.uk

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

The First Holy Communion Course parents'/guardians' session will be on Wednesday, 30th January at 1900hrs. Please see one of the catechists today if are interested in enrolling your child(ren).

TODAY'S FEAST

Epiphany originally celebrated four different events, in the following order of importance: the Baptism of the Lord; Christ's first miracle, the changing of water into wine at the wedding in Cana; the Nativity of Christ; and the visitation of the Wise Men or Magi. Each of these is a revelation of God to man: At Christ's Baptism, the Holy Spirit descends and the voice of God the Father is heard, declaring that Jesus is His Son; at the wedding in Cana, the miracle reveals Christ's divinity; at the Nativity, the angels bear witness to Christ, and the shepherds, representing the people of Israel, bow down before him; and at the visitation of the Magi, Christ's divinity is revealed to the Gentiles, the other nations of the earth. Thus, Epiphany came to mark the end of Christmastide, the Twelve Days of Christmas, which began with the revelation of Christ to Israel in his birth and ended with the revelation of Christ to the Gentiles at Epiphany.

OPEN INVITATION

CAFOD's New Year volunteer meeting is due to take place on Saturday, 19th January at 1000hrs in CAFOD HQ, Romero House, 55 Westminster Bridge Road, London. SE1 7JB. This volunteer meeting will include an opportunity to hear a first-hand account of the work in Bangladesh, the country CAFOD will be focusing on during Lent. Details at: www.indcatholicnews.com/news/36283

DIARY DATES

Tue 9th April – Chrism Mass in the Cathedral
Thu 16th – Mon 20th May: IMP Lourdes
Thu 18th – Sat 20th July: OLW Dowry Tour visits the Cathedral

PARISH MINISTRIES

Many thanks to all who coordinate, and to those who volunteer for, the activities that assist us to be a community. New members are always welcome. Please contact the following direct:
CHILDREN'S LITURGY – Mrs Yvonne Spreadborough
CHOIR MEMBERSHIP – Mrs Louise Morgan-Jones
FLOWER ARRANGING – Mrs June Hall
READING AT MASS – Col Paul Thomas
SERVING THE MASS – Col David Morgan-Jones
WELCOME & CHARITY – Mrs Mary Casey

AND FINALLY ...

... there are three things which are real: God, human folly, and laughter. Since the first two pass our comprehension, we must do what we can with the third.

With every blessing
Fr Nick