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Sunday, 1st January 2023

MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD – YEAR A

1100hrs Mass Intention: John, Fred & Siliro Kwangwanya RIP

Entrance Hymn: 128

Offertory Hymn: 331

Communion Hymn: 360

Recessional Hymn: 127

Kyrie: M13

Gloria: M14

Sanctus: M15

Acclamation: M17

Great Amen: Plainchant

Agnus Dei: M20

The obligation for the faithful to attend Holy Mass on a Sunday or Holy Day of Obligation has been reinstated. Pastoral consideration for the vulnerable and those isolating is imperative and appropriate dispensations remain in place for them.

WELCOME EVERYONE

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.

The children will go to their liturgy with the Catechetical Team following the introduction to the Mass and return at the offertory. Activity bags, containing appropriate books and other materials, hanging on the chairs at the back of church may be borrowed to keep children engaged during Mass. Please replace them after use. After Mass refreshments are served at the back of church.

MINISTRIES TODAY

Welcome Team: Mrs M Allen; Mrs M Casey

Readers: Ms E Ohemeng; Mrs N Francis-Crerar

Children's Liturgy Lead: Mrs P Ryan

THIS WEEK

The Cathedral will open each working day from **1000hrs - 1600hrs**

Mon 2nd Jan: *St Basil the Great & St Gregory Nazianzen, bps*

Tue 3rd Jan: *The Most Holy Name of Jesus*

Wed 4th Jan: *Weekday of Christmas Time, Year I*

1145hrs – Midday Prayer (Psalter Week II)

1200hrs – Holy Mass (Zoom available)

Shirley Harrington (in thanksgiving)

Thu 5th Jan: *Weekday of Christmas Time, Year I*

Fri 6th Jan: **THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

1200hrs – Holy Mass (Zoom available)

Chloë Williams (in thanksgiving)

1400hrs – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

1545hrs – Holy Communion Outside of Mass

1900hrs – Holy Mass (Zoom available)

Rosemarie Thomas RIP

Sat 7th Jan: *St Raymond of Penyafort, priest*

1430hrs – Divine Mercy Reflection & Chaplet

NEXT SUNDAY

Welcome Team: Mr T Booth; Mrs L Orme

Readers: Mr C Endean; Mrs O Beattie

Children's Liturgy Lead: Mrs Y Spreadborough

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Please keep the members of our Armed Forces, especially those on operations at home and abroad during this festive season, together with their families, those suffering as a result of man's inhumanity to man, all who are affected by natural disaster and those who seek to minister to their needs, in your personal intercessions.

LIVESTREAMING LITURGIES

Sunday's Mass Zoom details – ID: 881 8588 4359

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88185884359?pwd=REJKSEZnRCtobY9UUEs4TmRRYnRvZz09> Passcode: 135086

Wednesday's Mass Invitation Zoom details – ID: 882 4969 1176

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88249691176?pwd=T1J5MHBnZjVaaWFSd3Y3VEErSIM1Zz09> Passcode: 212389

Friday's 1200hrs Mass Zoom details – ID: 854 1082 4275

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85410824275?pwd=K1J6QUdhUGRZZE84WFhETtllWmpVdz09> Passcode: 488944

Friday's 1900hrs Mass Zoom details – ID: 821 8343 5523

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82183435523?pwd=aFRqZ2ZjUS8rQXhvMlFqWDdxL3dydz09> Passcode: 647529

PAPAL PROCLAMATION

Pope Francis delivered his traditional Christmas greetings and 'Urbi et Orbi' message and blessing on Christmas Day. Thousands of pilgrims gathered in St Peter's Square to hear him, and the full video message is at: www.youtube.com/watch?v=XprzZZBwYmE

COMMUNITY SPIRIT

We owe a debt of gratitude to all those members of our community who responded to the call to dedicate time and effort to our preparations for, and celebrations of, the Birth of Christ. A special mention to those who fetched and carried, those who arranged flowers, those who exercised a ministry during the liturgies, those who sang in the choir, those who served on the altar and those who made guests welcome. Our joy in, and celebration of, the Lord's Incarnation is enhanced by their efforts and they should be assured of our heartfelt thanks for their work on behalf of us all.

GENEROUS KINDNESS

To those who have sent cards, given gifts and offered greetings of the season to your clergy and, either directly or vicariously, to our families, we offer you a personal vote of thanks. It is a privilege to be able to work with you all for the glory of God's Kingdom and we continue to hold each and every one of you in our prayers.

AND FINALLY ...

... when the song of the angels is stilled, the star in sky is gone, the kings and princes are home, the shepherds are back with their flock, then the work of Christmas begins; to find the lost, to heal the broken, to feed the hungry, to release the prisoner, to rebuild the nations, to bring peace among others, to make music in the heart.

With every blessing
Fr Nick