

MASSES AND SERVICES

The Presentation of the Lord – 2nd February 2025

Saturday	5.30pm	Stephen May RIP (May family)
Sunday	8.45am	Eric Ewing RIP (AE)
	10.30am	William Cole (MH)

Weekday Masses & Intentions

3.2 Mon	10.00am	No Mass
4.2 Tue	10.00am	No Mass
5.2 Wed	10.00am	No Mass
6.2 Thu	6.00pm	Reception and Mass: Isabel Cusack RIP
7.2 Fri	11.00am	Requiem Mass Isabel Cusack RIP
8.2 Sat	10.00am	Our Lady on Saturday Antonio Da Costa (DD)

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 9th February 2025

Saturday	5.30pm	Alan & Margaret Smith (PAS)
Sunday	8.45am	People of the Parish
	10.30am	Mgr Noel Farman (SZ)

Confession Saturday morning 9.15am – 9.45am
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Saturday 9am-9.50am
Rosary – Monday to Friday 9.35am Saturday 10.30am
Divine Mercy Chaplet – Friday after Mass

CHURCH CLEANING

This week	M Harris	T Lester
Next week	M Wilkes	P Wilkes

READERS	5.30pm	8.45am	10.30am
This week	T/J Taylor	G Seymour	C Loughran
Next week	J Musgrave	School	R Slater

TEA & COFFEE

Next week	T & J Taylor	V Wilson	C McLaughlin
		M Buckle	I Blessed

Parish Priest: Fr John Cross

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Jubilee Year 2025 Pilgrims of Hope

The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord 2nd February

Dear Parishioners,

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. Just as we have noticed a certain brightness in the light of each new day, so too Christ Jesus in this Feast is revealed as the light of the nations. The light of Christ is our beacon of hope which leads us out of darkness and into the light of faith, truth and hope.

Last weekend we celebrated the light of faith through the Holy Spirit in the Sacrament of Confirmation when 28 children were confirmed by Bishop David Evans. My thanks to the catechists and teachers. My thanks to all our volunteers who helped to make this special Mass successful. Bishop David Evans was very pleased with the all the arrangements and in his sermon he encouraged those who received the Holy Spirit to greater involvement in the parish community.

How can you use **your** light? How can you support **your** parish family? We now look to all members of the parish, young and old, to support the mission of the parish through helping out either at Mass or in other ways. Here are the areas where we are desperate for more help. Please consider how you can help.

- We need more altar servers.
- We need helpers for the Catechism Class on Saturday mornings. It is at 11 am to 12noon in term time only.
- We need more help with children's liturgy on Sunday at 8.45am Mass
- We need more help with church cleaning.
- Tea & coffee helpers after 5.30pm Mass once a month on Saturdays.
- We need more singers in the choir.
- We need more Sunday Mass welcomers and stewards.

You can do it when you pray and do it

Every Blessing, Fr John

This week Daily Mass and the rosary . There will be no Mass in the church on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. There will be no morning Mass on Thursday morning The church will not be open Monday – Thursday morning.

The new cleaning rota for 2025 is available in the Narthex. Thank you to all the cleaners and we are always hoping for more volunteers.

200 Club Winners Congratulations to the December Draw lucky winners:
£500 to R Bishop £50 to E Slater £15 each to J Treacy, M Walker and K Murray.
Cheques can be collected from the sacristy.

Isabel Cusack RIP Dame of St Gregory

Reception and Mass Thursday 6th February at 6pm: The body of Isabel Cusack R.I.P. will be received into the church and this will be followed by a votive Mass of the dead for the repose of her soul. After Mass there will be refreshments in the Parish Centre.

Requiem Mass Friday 7th at 11am. If there are more than the church can hold we shall use the Parish Centre.

Burial (Family only)

Refreshments at The Forest Hotel.

NB We are expecting a lot of cars.

✠ *Please pray for*

The housebound & the sick: Jeremy Hawker, Janet Zora, Arthur Uzell, Fr. Michael White, Tony Parsons, Rod Goodman, Dr John Martin, Joe Stephens, Michael Grosvenor, Dorothy Perkins, Jill Baynham, Matthew Gallagher, Jane Cotter, Margaret Cosgrove and Jesse Cusack Morris, as well as parishioners in nursing homes and hospital.

Recently deceased: Hélèna Philomena Morgan, Isabel Cusack. (see above for funeral details)

Anniversaries (this week) from the last 20 years: Richard Holmes, Kenneth Miles, Stephen May, Eamon Staunton.

May the souls of the faithful departed, Rest in Peace.

Offertory: 26.1.25: Gift Aid Envelopes £248, Loose Plate £406.

Church Maintenance Fund: Gift Aid Envelopes £300, Loose Plate £216

Av standing order and online per week £620. Many thanks for your support.

Mass Attendances last Sunday: 459.

Jubilee: See Fr Rob Taylerson on You Tube and see the parish website.

Made me smile

I get paid in my sleep. It was a dream job.

What did the pirate say when he became an octogenarian? Aye matey.

At the local zoo all the animals must do their chores to earn their keep.
The lion sweeps tonight.

Just received an email about reading maps backwards. Turns out it's spam.

I have been on a diet for two weeks. I lost 14 days.

What does Jeff Bezos do before he goes to bed?
He puts his pyjamazon.

Going through the alphabet naming Lionel Richie songs. I am stuck on 'U'

Who stole the fifth page from my calendar? I am very dismayed.

My friend can smell coconut from a mile away. He is going for a job as a bounty hunter.

The first rule of the Easily Distracted Club....is that a cobweb up there?

I have just bought a "Van Gogh" coffee table. I know it is a genuine because it has a bit of veneer missing.

I have just returned from the manicure championships. It was a nail-biting finish.

Parish Centre News. Timetable for next week on the noticeboard. If you are having a family occasion, please consider booking our hall for your venue. **It is important that users of the Parish Centre arrange bookings (and payments for non-Parish Events) through Oksana Zurak 07967-846-963 or oksanazurak@gmail.com**

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese's policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Sandy Walmsley and Daphne Morgan. They can be contacted at: sg.stgeorge-stteresa.dorridge@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 / safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.