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CHRISTMAS & EPIPHANY EDITION - THE YEAR OF JOSEPH

24th December 2020 to 10th January 2021



Dear St Hugh's Family,

A very Happy and Holy Christmas to you all. We all find ourselves in the same boat as it's not the Christmas that we all expected it to be; but with love let's make it what we can as we put Christ back into our hearts. It's also a great sadness that I can't see many of you as you are staying safe; please know that you are in my heart and my prayers. This year it's abundantly clear that we find Christ amidst the mess and pain of the world so let us keep up our prayers as we find joy and strength in him. Christmas is the Hope that we all need right know.

With much love.....Fr Gerard



Blessing of the Christmas Crib and Tree

The prayers may be said by the Father or Mother.

In a little procession formed by the children, go around your home with the Christ Child and take him to the manger; the youngest is allowed to place the figure of the Christ Child in the manger. The tree lights should not be put on until the blessing of the tree begins. Then make the sign of the cross.

Father/Mother: Our help is in the name of the Lord. All: Who made heaven and earth.

Father/Mother: Let us pray. Almighty, everlasting God, pour down your blessings on this Crib, which we have set up in memory of the Birth of your Divine Son, Jesus Christ (he/she sprinkles the Crib with Holy Water). Help us to remember, we beg you each time we look at it, that Jesus came down to us at Bethlehem because He loved us. Let it remind us, too, O Heavenly Father, that the presents we give and those we receive, are given and received in memory of His love. Give peace to our home, O Lord and peace to the world, so that we may live with our own family and with all men in happiness; through the same Jesus Christ your Son, who lives and rules with you in union with the Holy Spirit, forever and ever, Amen.
Sing a carol, while moving to the tree.

Father/Mother: O Lord Jesus Christ, we humbly beg you to bless this tree (he/she sprinkles it with Holy Water) which we have decorated with ornaments and lights in honour of your birth in Bethlehem. Grant that our souls may also wear the ornaments of good deeds; and make the light of virtue shine in us, so that we may draw all men to you. Amen.
Sing a carol of your choice.

CHURCH OPENING: In line with the guidance, face coverings should be worn in Church covering both the nose and mouth.

The Church will open 15 minutes prior to the start of Mass and will close after Mass for cleaning ready for the next Mass. To book for any of the following Public Masses, email knaphill@abdiocese.org.uk or telephone the Parish Office on 01483 472404 stating your preferred time of Mass and phone number; you will receive an email/phone call confirming your place in due course:

The Church sets aside eight days for the celebration of the Solemnity of the Birth of Jesus; the Christmas Octave. During the Christmas Octave, you may attend Mass on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day or one of the other days during the Octave when each Mass is a Christmas Mass:

Saturday 26 December	We invite Altar Servers to come to this Mass at 12 noon.
Sunday 27 December	8.00am, 10.00am, 5.00pm. Please book as normal
Monday 28 December	12 noon. No need to book
Tuesday 29 December	12 noon. No need to book
Thursday 31 December	7.30pm. Latin Mass with Benediction
Friday 1 January	12 noon. No need to book

The Christmas Season continues and ends on 10th January; decorations should be removed, but by custom the crib may remain until 2nd February

Sunday 3 January	8.00am, 10.00am, 5.00pm
Tuesday 5 January	7.30pm
Wednesday 6 January	10.00am
Friday 8 January	6.00pm
Sunday 10 January	8.00am, 10.00am, 5.00pm

It is important to book for all Public Masses, *unless otherwise indicated*, as we do not want to turn anyone away if capacity is reached. However, where *no booking is required*, we will have to adhere to our capacity. We are unable to allow people to stand in the aisles, at the back or in the Narthex. Full guidelines are on display in the Narthex.

Help Wanted: In order for the Church to open to the public, we are obliged to clean the Church after every service and to record names and contact details of those attending. To enable us to do this we need Stewards and Cleaners. Also needed are Ministers of the Word. In line with the guidance, volunteers should NOT participate if they are over 60 years with or without underlying health conditions. If you are happy to help, please contact Parish Office or Anne: am.rushton@btopenworld.com asap.

Thank you: My sincere thanks to all the Volunteers - Stewards, Cleaners and all other people who have helped our Parish during this difficult time for our Church to function to the best of our ability. May Child Jesus bless them and I thank them all on behalf of all our Parishioners. May I take this opportunity to thank Anne Rushton, who has been instrumental in the organisation of the Covid-19 requirements, in addition to other Parish responsibilities. It is also my duty to thank Margo, our Parish Office Manager, working from home and office, executing diligently Parish weekly duties in this difficult time. We are also indebted to Darryn, Hilton and family for their dedicated contribution to many Church activities. Facebook and Youtube, as a means of communication during this lockdown, has been extremely beneficial and my thanks goes to all who have helped me with this technology.....Fr Gerard.

Christmas Collection - The Christmas collection is applied to the parish fund for the support of clergy, this fund provides income for clergy. The maintenance of parish clergy is an inherent part of our charitable objectives. We are entitled to claim Gift Aid on these charitable donations; Gift Aid recovered on the Christmas collection will be applied to the parish fund for the support of clergy. If you would like to contribute, you can do so as follows:

- Collect a blue 'Christmas Collection envelope' as you leave the Church
- Via the Offertory basket after Mass for cash and your weekly envelopes
- Via our NEW contactless device after Mass - you just swipe your debit or credit card
- Via our JustGiving page: see Parish website
- Directly into our Bank Account:
HSBC / 40 05 20 / 01247611 / Roman Catholic Diocese of Arundel and Brighton
St Hugh of Lincoln Knaphill General Account
- Via Gift Aid (tax payer) see parish website for full details or contact Ian Dallas on 07966183107 or iandallas47@gmail.com
- Via cash / cheque payable as above through the Presbytery door or post to the Parish Office at 95 Victoria Road, Knaphill, Woking GU21 2AA

**Notification of Proposed Variation of the admission arrangements of
St Hugh of Lincoln Catholic Primary School, Knaphill for 2021-22**

Please note that the St Hugh of Lincoln school has applied to the Regional Schools Commissioner to vary its admission arrangements for September 2021. The reasons for this can be found in the Parish Newsletter of 13th December on the Parish Website.

CONFIRMATION 2021: Bishop Richard will officiate, as normal, at the Confirmation Mass next year. He has decided that with all the challenges of Covid he will wait until the Autumn. If you or a young person you know would like to start the preparation to pray and think about being Confirmed next year we will set the process in February and the forms will go out in January, so please watch this space. Candidates for Confirmation should already be in Year 10 or above.

Prayers for the Sick and the Housebound: We offer our prayers for the sick and the housebound, and all those who are affected by the Covid-19 Pandemic, and unable to attend Church. We wish them all a very Happy and Blessed Christmas and a peaceful and safe New Year.

Mass Intentions: Mass Intentions available for the months of **January and February 2021** and can be booked via Email to Parish Office or Telephone 01483 472404. Donations can be provided by Envelope, Just Giving button on the Parish Website or by payment into Parish Bank Account.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Father Gerard will be saying all the Masses with their Intentions on Sundays and weekdays.

Parishioners will be able to watch on the live stream through YouTube or Facebook.

Feast of The Holy Family 27th December 2020 - Year B

Sun	27	8.00am	Latin Mass	Intentions of Jenny Cassidy
		10.00am	Morning Mass (Zoom Coffee)	Francis Hall RIP
		5.00pm	Evening Mass	People of the Parish
Mon	28	12.00Noon	The Holy Innocents, Martyrs - Latin EF	Rita Hughes RIP
Tue	29	12.00Noon	St Thomas Becket, Bishop, Martyr	Zoha Butt RIP
Wed	30	11.00am	Requiem Mass (Family only)	Laurence Callaghan RIP
Thu	31	7.30pm	St Sylvester I, Pope - Latin Mass EF	Paula McCarthy RIP
Fri	01	12.00Noon	Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God	Rosin Braschi RIP
Sat	02	10.00am	Ss Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen Doctors of the Church	In Thanksgiving for the safe delivery of baby Gilbert

Second Sunday of Christmas 3rd January 2021 - Year B

Sun	03	8.00am	Latin Mass	Holy Souls
		10.00am	Morning Mass (Zoom Coffee)	Deceased members of Thomas family
		5.00pm	Evening Mass	David Cunningham RIP
Mon	04	10.00am	Feria in Christmastide	Intentions of Cassidy family
Tue	05	7.30pm	Vigil Mass of the Epiphany	Intentions of Tommy Bulger & family
Wed	06	10.00am	'The Epiphany of the Lord	Intentions of Paul and Breda Hathway
		7.30pm	Latin Mass EF	Intentions of the Mulvany Family
Thu	07	7.30pm	St Raymond of Penafort - Latin Mass EF	Bob Turner RIP
Fri	08	6.00pm	Friday after Epiphany	Intentions of Collette Dupuis
Sat	09	10.00am	Saturday after Epiphany	Deceased members of Mulvany Family

The Baptism of the Lord 10th January 2021 - Year B

Sun	10	8.00am	Latin Mass	People of the Parish
		10.00am	Morning Mass (Zoom Coffee)	Private Intentions
		5.00pm	Evening Mass	Saliba family for grace of peace and harmony



Prayer to Child Jesus through our Mother Mary

O Child Jesus, I have recourse to You through Your Holy Mother; I implore You to assist me in this necessity, for I firmly believe that Your Divinity can assist me. I confidently hope to obtain Your holy grace. I love You with my whole heart and my whole soul. I am heartily sorry for my sins, and entreat You, O good Jesus, to give me strength to overcome them.

I am firmly resolved never to offend You again and to suffer everything rather than displease You. Henceforth, I wish to serve You faithfully. For love of You, O divine Child, I will love my neighbour as myself. O Jesus, omnipotent Child, I entreat You again to come to my assistance in this necessity. [Mention it here].

Grant me the grace of possessing You eternally with Mary and Joseph and of adoring You with Your Holy Angels and Saints. Amen.