



2nd SUNDAY OF ADVENT (YR. B)
10th DECEMBER 2017
Welcome to our Parish Celebration of the Holy Eucharist



SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday St. Nicholas 6.00pm Johnny McDonough
Sunday St. Nicholas 9.30am The People of the Parish
Our Lady's 11.00am Tom Hennigan

OFFERTORY COLLECTION LAST WEEK

St. Nicholas & Our Lady's £920.34
Peru Mission Fund £81.35
Thank you for your generosity

DURING THE WEEK

Monday St. Nicholas 9.00am Holy Souls
Tuesday Our Lady's 9.10am Ronnie Neil (In School)
Wednesday St. Nicholas 9.00am Tom McNicholas
Thursday Our Lady's NO MASS
Friday St. Nicholas NO MASS
Saturday No morning Mass
Confessions 5.15pm to 5.30pm and at other times by request.
Vigil St. Nicholas 6.00pm Jim Kearns

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEXT WEEKEND

6.00pm J. Heal, K. Murphy
9.30am G. Gray, W. Whitelow, T. Putsman
11.00am B. Smith, M. Robson, S. Hyland

READERS NEXT WEEKEND

6.00pm E. Clark
9.30am C. Avoutia
11.00am E. Coates, J. O'Toole

RETIRING COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND at St. Nicholas and NEXT WEEKEND at Our Lady's for flowers to decorate the altar at Christmas.

THANK YOU to everyone who attended the Parish meeting on Thursday evening. It was very successful.

CONFIRMATION PREPERATION for the **CURRENT YEAR 7 AND 8 CHILDREN** will begin in the new year. If this involves your child then please pick up an application form from the back of church, or from the St Nicholas School Office.

ST. NICHOLAS CHRISTMAS FESTIVE WEEKEND will take place in the parish room **NEXT WEEEKEND** after both Masses. *Christmas Raffle: Tombola/Bottle Stall; Jewellery Stall; Cake Stall; Irish Food and of course Santa Claus is coming! The gift box is still in the porch for you to put your donations - bottles & good quality gifts welcome - no clothing, books or bric-a-brac, thank you. Would you like to help in some way? Please let us know. Raffle tickets are also now available before and after Mass and will be drawn on Sunday (17th). Refreshments after both Masses - Bacon Sandwiches on Sunday morning only!!!*

BAPTISM PREPARATION - To all interested parishioners, an introduction and preparation for the sacrament of Baptism will commence **THIS MONDAY** 11th December at 7.00pm in the meeting room at the back of St. Nicholas church. Each session is timed to last approximately 1 hour. We look forward to seeing you there!

OUR LADY'S - Poinsettia's to decorate the altar for Christmas would be most welcome again this year.

ST. NICHOLAS RED MISSION BOXES - Please bring your red Mission boxes in on 16/17th December. We will be emptying the boxes before and after Mass. We can pick the boxes up from your home if you wish. Contact Luke on 07946 348522. If you don't have a Mission Box and would like one, please contact Luke.

GIPTON CHURCHES TOGETHER - Sunday 10th Dec: Community Carol Service - Epiphany at 6pm.
Tuesday 12th Dec: Advent Lunch - St. Nicholas at 12.30pm. See poster for more details.

MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED THIS WEEK - **Lately Dead:** Mary Egan. Ronnie Neil. **Anniversaries:** Pat Egan, Pat Johnson

300 CLUB - £20 72 T. Davison; £10 247 Fr. Eugene; £5 256 T. Cunningham; £5 28 D. Graves

CHRISTMAS MASSES

CHRISTMAS EVE FAMILY MASS: ST NICHOLAS - 4PM
CHRISTMAS EVE VIGIL: ST NICHOLAS - 6PM
CHRISTMAS EVE: OUR LADY'S - CAROLS AT 10:30PM FOLLOWED BY MIDNIGHT MASS AT 11PM
CHRISTMAS MORNING: ST NICHOLAS - 10AM

Thought for the week
Life isn't tied with a bow,
but it's still a gift.

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