



THE BIRTH OF JESUS (YR.A)  
25<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2016  
*Welcome to our Parish Celebration of the Holy Eucharist*



**CHRISTMAS EVE VIGIL**

St. Nicholas 6.00pm Hughes Family, Thomas, Bridget  
& Martin Hughes & Mary Duffy  
Our Lady's 10.30pm Carols  
Our Lady's 11.00pm Donor's Intentions

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION LAST WEEK**

St. Nicholas & Our Lady's £979.35  
Thank you for your generosity

**CHRISTMAS DAY**

St. Nicholas 10.00am Eamon Togher  
and Family Living & Dead

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEXT WEEKEND**

6.00pm J. Heal, K. Murphy  
9.30am J. Putsman, S. Gibbons, G. Gray  
11.00am T. Curry, S. Lambert, M. Sykes

**MONDAY (BOXING DAY) Feast of St. Stephen**

St. Nicholas 10.00am Johnny Mc Donough

**Tuesday**

St. Nicholas 10.00am Harold Warr  
St. John the Apostle & Evangelist

**READERS NEXT WEEKEND**

6.00pm B. Irish  
9.30am P. Kane  
11.00am A. Henry, C. Healey

**Wednesday**

St. Nicholas 10.00am The McHale Family  
Living & Dead  
The Holy Innocents

**Saturday**

No morning Mass  
Confessions: 5.15pm to 5.30pm and at other times by request  
Vigil St. Nicholas 6.00pm Teresa & Stephen McHale

**YOUR CHRISTMAS OFFERINGS ARE FOR YOUR PRIEST AND ARE MUCH APPRECIATED**

**CRIB OFFERINGS** - This year with the encouragement of Bishop Marcus, this parish will be donating crib offerings to Friends of the Holy Land. Every penny will help the poorest Christian families, especially in and around Bethlehem, the West Bank, Gaza and Israel, with education, employment, health, and housing initiatives. FHL is apolitical and ecumenical. For further information please take a look at the poster on the notice board and please keep our brothers and sisters in the Holy Land in your prayers at this time

**STAMPS** - If you still have your Christmas card envelopes please save the stamps (leave half inch of envelope around stamp) and bring to church for St. Gemma's Hospice.

**WE HAVE RECEIVED A CARD** sending Christmas greetings to parishioners from Arlene Placido. Arlene is a Filipino nurse and she used to attend weekday Masses in St. Nicholas but is now working in Florida.

**NIGHT SHELTER PROJECT** - As part of a wider team throughout Leeds, Epiphany church is again hosting a week of shelter for destitute asylum seekers in early February. Volunteer helpers are needed. If interested please telephone Robert 07900 473955.

**MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED THIS WEEK:** Lately Dead: Johnny McDonough (2), Patricia McGill, Lily Moran.

Anniversaries: Eamon Barrett, Harold Warr. Also for: Maureen Robinson, Ernest Robinson, Tommy Spellman, Mary Spellman, Mick Robinson, John & Margaret Daniel, Brian & Gerard Daniel, Bernard Craven, Gertrude Booth, Stephen & Teresa McHale (2), McHale Family Living & Dead,

**300 CLUB** - £20 285 Mrs. Ruth: £10 110 M. Delaney: £5 193 S. Hyland: £5 83 H. O'Toole.

WISHING YOU ALL AND YOUR FAMILIES A VERY HAPPY AND HOLY CHRISTMAS.

WELCOME BACK TO THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN AWAY AND WILL BE JOINING

THEIR FAMILIES FOR THE CELEBRATIONS.

Thought for the week  
Even if you cannot always be joyful  
you can always be at peace.

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