

Catholic Parish of St Mary's

Serving the communities of Yarmouth, Acle & Caister

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FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY – 30th DECEMBER 2012

Masses and services for the week ahead

Day	Place	Time	Intention
Saturday 29 th Dec	<i>Feast of the Holy Family – Vigil Mass</i>		
	Caister	5.30	People of the Parish
Sunday 30 th Dec	Acle	9.15	Agnes & George Holt {F}
	GY	11am	Mollie Marsden (80 th Birthday)
Monday 31 st Dec	<i>7th octave day of Christmas</i>		
	GY	-	No Mass Today
Tuesday 1 st Jan	<i>Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God</i>		
	GY	11am	Dedication of Parish to Mary
Wednesday 2 nd Jan	<i>SS Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen, Mem</i>		
	GY	10am	Julie Horan RIP
Thursday 3 rd Jan	<i>Christmas Feria</i>		
	GY	10am	Holy Souls
Friday 4 th Jan	<i>Christmas Feria</i>		
	GY	10am	Fr Ben Grist (PP's Int)
Saturday 5 th Jan	<i>Christmas Feria</i>		
	GY	10am	For migrants

Please remember in your prayers:

All those in the parish who are ill; that the Lord, in his Goodness, might heal and comfort them: Julie Horan, Teresa Appleton, Doreen Bracken, John Bracken, Jane Christie, Stephen Christie, Anthony D'Arcy, Maura Davitt, Arnie Dougal, Reg Elwin, Jose Fina Florida, Alice Fraher, Ray Gordon, Beryl King, Miriam King, Glenn Nudd, Joe Paton, Joyce Platt, Catherine Styles, and Suzan Whitelock.

And those who have died esp **Julie Horan** and **Bessie Manning** and whose anniversaries occur around this time. *Eternal rest, grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace, Amen.*

Prayer of the week:

Lord, we lift up our hearts in praise and worship to you for the gift of Mary, our Mother in faith. For by her co-operation, obedience, faith, hope and burning charity she is a mother of grace to us all

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A Warm Welcome to all our Visitors this weekend

Information

Parish Priest

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Parish Deacon

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Parish Office Hours

Tues, Wed, Thurs 9am - 1pm

Schools

St Mary's Primary School

Tel: 01493-445117

Notre Dame High School

Norwich

Tel: 01603-611431

Sacraments

Baptism

2 months notice required

Marriage

6 months notice required

First Holy Communion

Registration by July each year.

Applications from Yr 3 children

Confession

Each Saturday 10.30am

Other Services

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

1st Saturday in month 10-11am

Emergency Number

If you need a priest in an emergency and cannot reach

Fr David, please contact

01493-662239

(St Peter's, Gorleston)

Parish Stewardship

Giving is an act of the heart. You may give without loving, but you cannot love without giving

Weekly Offertory Collection

Gift Aid	£111.50
Planned Giving	£64.77
Standing Orders	£263.15
Loose	£372.59
TOTAL	£812.01

Special or retiring collections

Your Christmas offering came to £2,352.74 – Many thanks, indeed! (2011 £2,504)!
We acknowledge a further gift of £5,000 towards the Garage Project (Total: £20K towards a £25K build)
Restoration Funding stands at: £25,900 + (This excludes English Heritage Funding) With a target of £130,000 still to reach – look out for ways you can support the Restoration Project in 2013

More Counters:

I am grateful to the 6 pairs who have agreed to help with counting the money but I need 2 more so that this work does not become onerous to a few. Please help!!!

Chapel of All Nations:

Should be ready by the Feast of the Epiphany (not Christmas – Sorry!). Each flag cost £8. If you would like to offset this cost by buying the flag of your nationality, (Scotland, Ireland and Poland already gone!) give your donation to Fr David

2013 Diaries are now available at the back of Church. They cost **£2.00** each.

Activities which need your support:

Crib Offering: will go to the East Coast Hospice.

SPUC Appeal: will take place on Sunday 13th January

Pax Christi will take their Appeal on 19th/20th January.

Next Sunday is the Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord.

Doorway to Faith: Part 2 booklet is now on sale at £1.50. The Course resumes after the Christmas break on Tuesday 8th January. All Welcome.

Sunday School

Restarts on 6th (Acle) and 13th January St Mary's

FHC Classes resume from 8th Jan

Christmas Thanks:

As always, it right and proper that we say a word of thanks to a number of groups who have helped prepare and make our Christmas celebrations happen: to the musicians and cantors, the MC and servers throughout the parish, the sacristans and welcomers, those who cleaned the church and the sidesmen.

Thanks also to the SVP and Eucharistic ministers who visit the sick and housebound each week but most especially at Christmas. Finally, to our parish readers who proclaim God's Word to us.

Christmas Offering:

Fr David writes *"I am grateful for the many signs of affection shown to me on my first Christmas in the parish. The cards, gifts and Christmas offering are much appreciated. I want also to thank those whose encouragement has meant a lot to me."*

Спасибо за рождественские подарки, открытки и предложения

Dziękujemy za prezenty, karty i oferuje

Obrigado por seus presentes de Natal, cartões e oferecendo

NEW YEAR'S DAY MASS

We will mark New Year's Day with a special 11am Mass. During this Mass we will dedicate our parish again to the maternal care of Mary, the Mother of God Please come, if you are able, to this Mass and so begin the year in the presence of God

Parish Census:

We are in the early stages of preparing a parish census and would welcome those ethnic groups in the parish to help in ensuring all parish members fill it in. A multilingual version of the census will be provided – also on line.

Parish Website: is taking shape. Thanks to those who made positive observations. For a sneak preview go to: www.stmarysgy.org.uk

Change of Bank Account

The Parish has changed its Bank Account to HSBC. If you pay your parish offering or anything to the parish, please create a new standing Order asap
Our account detail are:
HSBC – St Mary's RC Parish
Sort Code: 40-22-22
Number: 61604708