

MASS TIMES

Saturday 22nd December		
St John the Baptist	6:00pm First Mass of Sunday	People of the Parish
Sunday 23rd December	FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT 'O EMMANUEL'	
St Joseph's	9:30am Mass	Victor D'Souza RIP (<i>R D'Souza</i>)
St John the Baptist	11:00am Mass	Deceased Members of the Marcantonio Family (<i>T. Bon-</i>
St Joseph's	11:30am Mass	George Ghazal RIP (<i>Jean Ghazal</i>)
St Joseph's	5:30pm Mass	Anne & Tom Kiernan (<i>John Kiernan</i>)
Monday 24th December	Christmas Eve	
St John the Baptist	10:00am Mass	Kathleen Wright RIP (<i>Julia</i>)
St Joseph's	6:00pm Vigil Mass for Families	Christine Lewis (<i>N O'Sullivan</i>)
St Joseph's	10:30pm Mass of Christmas Night	Amelia Mascarenhas RIP
St John the Baptist	10:30pm Mass of Christmas Night	People of the Parish
Tuesday 25th December	Christmas Day - The Nativity of the Lord	
St John the Baptist	9:00am Mass of Christmas Morning	Jim McCann
St Joseph's	11:00am Mass of Christmas Morning	People of the Parish
St John the Baptist	11:00am Mass of Christmas Morning	Rita Mahoney RIP
Wednesday 26th December	St Stephen	
St John the Baptist	10:00am Mass	Joan Fitzgerald RIP
Thursday 27th December	St John	
St Joseph's	6:00pm Mass	Teresa Nolan (<i>Libby McElhinney</i>)
Friday 28th December	The Holy Innocents	
St Joseph's	12:00pm Requiem Mass	Amelia Mascarenhas RIP
Saturday 29th December	St Thomas Becket	
St John the Baptist	10:00am Mass	Andrew Copeland RIP (<i>Charlotte, Natasha & Pam</i>)
St John the Baptist	6:00pm First Mass of Sunday	Marrie Johns RIP (<i>Maria Johns</i>)
Sunday 30th December	THE HOLY FAMILY	
St Joseph's	9:30am Mass	People of the Parish
St John the Baptist	11:00am Mass	N.R John RIP (<i>P & T Antony</i>)
St Joseph's	11:30am Mass	Amelia Mascarenhas RIP (<i>P & M Fenwick</i>)
St Joseph's	5:30pm Mass	Holy Souls (<i>Navarro Family</i>)
Tuesday 1st January	MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD	
St Joseph's	12:00pm Mass	Gail & Tony Licha (<i>Mariela Licha</i>)
Wednesday 2nd January		
St John the Baptist	10:00am Mass	Ronald Price (<i>Sheila</i>)
Thursday 3rd January		
St Joseph's	6:00pm Mass	Thanksgiving & Private Intention
Friday 4th January		
St John the Baptist	10:00am Mass	Helen Potts RIP (<i>Foundation</i>)
Saturday 5th January		
St John the Baptist	10:00am Mass	Pat Duffy
St John the Baptist	6:00pm First Mass of Sunday	Timothy John Moriarty RIP (<i>Marion Moriarty</i>)
Sunday 6th January	THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD	
St Joseph's	9:30am Mass	Deceased Relatives of the D'Souza Family (<i>R D'Souza</i>)
St John the Baptist	11:00am Mass	Sr Noreen Oliver RIP
St Joseph's	11:30am Mass	Sally Langford (nee Ghazal) RIP (<i>Jean Ghazal</i>)
St Joseph's	5:30pm Mass	People of the Parish



St Joseph's & St John the Baptist

CATHOLIC PARISH EAST BRIGHTON

Fourth Sunday of Advent (C) 23rd December

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& The Holy Family (C) 30th December

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WELCOME

Welcome to St Joseph's and St John the Baptist! We are a vibrant and welcoming Catholic community in Brighton, with a vision to form disciples of Jesus Christ, to love others, and to serve our city.

Everyone is welcome, and there are loads of ways you can get involved!

See our website below for more opportunities.

stjosephsbrighton.org.uk

[facebook.com/StJosephsBrighton](https://www.facebook.com/StJosephsBrighton)

Christmas Blessing

May God, who willed that the great joy
of his Son's saving Birth

be announced to shepherds by the Angel,
fill your minds with the gladness he gives
and make you heralds of his Gospel.

And may God, who by the Incarnation
brought together the earthly and heavenly realm,
fill you with the gift of his peace and favour
and make you sharers with the Church in heaven



Christmas Mass Times

Please see the back page for the mass times for the next two weeks.

MISSION

Call for Night Shelter Volunteers

The night-shelter season is almost upon us! The Brighton and Hove Churches' Night-shelter project, aims to provide food and shelter for 15 homeless men and women 7 nights a week over a period of 22 weeks. This year parishioners at St Joseph's and St John the Baptist will be involved again in the second half of the project, on Tue evenings / Wed mornings, from Tue 22nd Jan to Tue 2nd Apr. We would now like to start drawing up a list of those who would like to volunteer from our Parish. There are 3 main shifts for each week: the early evening shift (7.0pm to 10.30pm), the overnight shift (10.30pm to 6.15am), and the early morning breakfast shift (6.15am to 8.0am). For each early evening shift we also need cooks: to prepare meals in advance and / or to cook meals on site, for approximately 30 people, guests and volunteers. Please consider signing up to do this - either as a seasoned cook or as someone who'd like to try their hand at it; as a one-off or for several meals.

Please email us (michaellloyduk@aol.com) to let us know (a) indicating which shifts you would be available for: evenings, overnight, early morning breakfast; and (b) if you would like to be involved in preparing and cooking the evening meals. Thank you and best wishes, **Mike Lloyd and Elaine Cook**

PRAYER/GROUPS

St Joseph's Church

Evening Prayer with the Wellspring Community

Evening Prayer will take a break over the Christmas period, and will resume on Monday 7th January.

Men's Rosary (18-35s)

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday 8th January at 7pm. We will have praise and worship with Rosary and Adoration. After, at 8.30pm we'll go for pub and pizza. If you are a young man looking to grow in prayer and fellowship please come along.

Centering Prayer

We meet every Wednesday at 6.30pm, in St Josephs Presbytery, Contact Barbara van der Zee 07717 436081,

The Thursday Morning Group

The Thursday Group meet fortnightly in the Upper Room at St Joseph's Hall, Milton Road for Coffee, Tea & Cake, a chat and a chance to pray & share our experiences. The next meeting is Thursday 10th January.

Padre Pio Group

Every Thursday after Evening Prayer.

Friday Adoration

Eucharistic Exposition next Friday, 28th December for the Mission of the Parish from 4:00pm - 6pm. There will no adoration on Friday 4th January, but returns as normal from Friday 11th January.

Legion of Mary

Every Sunday at 10am in the Upper Room, Milton Road Hall. Contact Joe Cook on 07754208152

St John the Baptist Chapel

Divine Mercy Devotions

Every Wednesday at 3pm.

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Every Wednesday at 6.00pm

Please pray for the sick of our parish:

Leo Pires, Angela Bowler, Richard Hitchens, Sheila Rodrigues, Lorraine Tinlin, Jose Cabanas, Denzel Martin Simpson, Lilianna Craggs, Vivien Appleby, Charles Appleby, Ella O'Driscoll, Clive Coates, Tommy Maher, Dermot O'Hara, Ian Brockwell, George Vaz, Ian Tinlin, Veronica Kearney, Fr Douglas Perkins, Kathleen Healy, Sue McGregor, Angela Hubert, Maria Rigby, Stuart Rae Duncan, Michelina Maraia, Frank Mansbridge, Alphonso Schivone, Patsy Regan, Ray Mason, Patrick Sweeney, Joan Cook, Moira Hall, Mary Berry and Adrian Underwood.

Those who have died recently especially Amelia Mascarenhas, and those whose anniversaries occur around this time.

To be added to this list contact the Parish Office. Please contact Fr Kieron or Fr Peter if you are going into hospital.

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Parish Schools

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

www.st-josephs.brighton-hove.sch.uk

St John the Baptist Catholic Primary School

www.stjohn.brighton-hove.sch.uk

YOUNG ADULTS/STUDENTS

For information about young adults groups find us on facebook: search for 'Deep Waters' or email deepwatersbrighton@gmail.com

EVENTS

Proclaim Youth Meeting - 8th January

All those in Years 7-11 are invited to the Proclaim Youth Meeting on Tuesday, 8th January from 6pm - 8pm at St John the Baptist Hall. It will be an evening filled with fun and games, prayers and worship. Light refreshment provided. Please contact 07900676121 or 07917450125 for more information.

SCHOOLS

St Joseph's School

The staff and pupils of St Joseph's School wish all our Parish friends a lovely Christmas; we wish for you all that you wish for yourselves.

St John the Baptist School

Our very best wishes to all for a happy and peaceful Christmas season.

We look forward to seeing you all back at school on Thursday 3rd January 2019.

Cardinal Newman Catholic School

In Advent we are launching an artistic challenge in school under the theme [#whatareyouwaitingfor?](https://www.facebook.com/whatareyouwaitingfor/) and we are looking to our students and wider community to submit poems, artwork, original photography, short stories/ writing/articles (of no more than 500 words) on this theme. The theme of 'what are you waiting for?' is as wide as it can be - it could be linked directly to Christmas and Advent or to our hopes and dreams about the world, life, family, the environment, the future, the universe and beyond... The email address to send all entries, and for further information or questions to is: whatareyouwaitingfor@cncs.co.uk - a/

Artwork should be photographed and sent by e-mail and the original given in to Reception at Cardinal Newman. (All entries will be entered anonymously unless the name on the piece) .

The Parish Office & Newsletter

The Parish Office will be closed on Mon 24th Dec and will reopen on Wed 2nd Jan. We would like to thank you all for your support over the year, and wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Christmas Collection

The collection at all the Christmas masses forms your personal gift to the priests of the Parish. As our priests do not receive a salary, they are dependent on the generosity of parishioners for their personal income. All donations may be gift-aided, with the benefit going to Parish funds. Thank you.

Crib Collection

Bishop Richard has asked that this year's Crib Collection is in aid of the **Catholic Children's Society Arundel & Brighton Crisis Fund.**