

Mary, Mother of God – Sunday 1st January 2023

Prayer for Ukraine (from the Bishops 'Conference) *"Mary, Our Lady of Kiev, Mother of God, We ask you to intercede for the people of Ukraine, For their government and all who suffer as a result of war. Be with them as you stood beside your Son, Suffering on the Cross at Calvary. Give them strength and courage, Through faith, hope and justice. May we, in our turn, Support them through prayer and generosity, That lives may be saved, the injured healed, that the dead may rest in peace, And that war will end in peace".*

Mass Intentions this Sunday (1st January 2023 – **Mary, Mother of God**) **Saturday** 4-00 p.m. (St. John Kemble) Parish & People; (St. Joseph's) 6-00p.m. Maureen Pitt (RIP) (Lesley Owen & family); **Sunday** 10-30 a.m. Stuart Michael (RIP) (The family).

Weekday Mass Intentions: Wednesday (4th January) (St. Joseph's) 9-30 a.m. Canon Jason Jones (Silver Jubilee) 11-00 a.m. (St. John Kemble) Esther Oloruntoba (RIP). Thursday **6-30 p.m.** (Vigil Mass of the Epiphany) Stuart Michael (RIP) (Sheila & David); Friday (6th January) **THE EPIPHANY** 9-30 a.m. John & Kitty Williams (RIP) (Helen).

Mass Intentions next Sunday (8th January - Baptism of the Lord) **Saturday** 4-00 p.m. (St. John Kemble) Parish & People; (St. Joseph's) 6-00 p.m. Ann Hanford (RIP) (The Family); **Sunday** 10-30 a.m. Stuart Michael (RIP) (BP and family).

Readers: **This Sunday** (1st January) 6-00 p.m. Mandy Smith; 10-30 a.m. Mary Walker. **Next Sunday** (8th January) 6-00 p.m Patrick McAteer; 10-30 a.m. Bethan Lee.

Candles: Sacred Heart – Joan Michael & family (Sp. Int.); Our Lady – Christopher Davies (RIP); St. Joseph – Cater Family (RIP).

Anniversaries: Of your charity, remember in prayer those whose anniversaries occur at this time; Mair Richards (2007); Patrick Gallagher (2009); Peter Navin (2010); Bridget Amos (2017); Vernon Tanner (2002); Virginia Farrel (2016); William Dooley (2006); Shaun Bradshaw (2010); Thomas Thomas (2011); Kimberly O'Neil (2007); Philip Hoptroff (2009). *Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, And let light perpetual shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.*

Many thanks for the many cards and presents and for the very generous Christmas collection. It is very kind of you to remember me and very much appreciated. (Fr. Neil).

St. Joseph's Sixth Form Many thanks to the Sixth Form for their very generous gift to the parish of Wood Christmas Tree Decorations of the Crib Scene. Please take one (for each family) from the box at the back of the church.

Parish Coffee Morning – Thursday from 10-00 – 11-00 a.m. Resumes – **Thursday 4th January** All welcome!

Last Sunday's Collection: Many thanks for the very generous Christmas collection. Very much appreciated.

The Sick and Housebound Please continue to remember in your prayers all those who are sick and housebound, those in hospital and in our local care homes. Especially at this time, Kathryn Woolley (Glynneath), Jane Boland, George Johnson, Nancy Morris, Cheryl Ford, Jason Saunders, Stephen Saunders, Julie Saunders, Yolanda Jones, Elizabeth Fluck, Lorna and Joe O'Brien, Betty Hopkins, Rose Williams, Margaret Jeffrey, Marion Brocksope, Marlene John, Geraint Jones. If you would like others to be remembered in this prayer list (with their permission) please supply their names.

S.P.U.C. National Prayer Campaign. 27th October to 27th April. " 10 Million prayers " to mark the 55th Anniversary of the Abortion Act, remember the 10 million lives lost in Britain since 1967 and to unite in prayer and build together a Culture of Life. **Please take with you the Sixth in the series of the prayer cards, " Prayer to St. Joseph for Fathers " and join with this national prayer campaign.**

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