

St John the Evangelist

Fr James Callaghan OSB

Baptism of the Lord, Feast

12 January 2020 (Year A)

Parish Administrator: Kathryn Lynam; **Assistants:** Emma Harrison and William Scrope

Office Hours: Tuesday (busy), Thursday 9:00am-3:00pm; Friday 9:30-3:30pm.

Under normal circumstances the Church itself should be open 9:00am -3:00pm on a weekday.

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Mass Times this Week

Saturday 11	Feria
11:45am	Rosary in Church
12 Noon	Reconciliation (Confession)
5:45pm	Vigil Mass: <i>Private Intention</i>
Sunday 12	Baptism of the Lord, Feast
10:00am	Mass: <i>Fr Leo Chamberlain RIP</i>
10:50am	Coffee after Mass – all welcome
10:30	Methodist Annual Covenant Service
Monday 13	St Hilary, bishop & doctor, Mem
Tuesday 14	Feria
Wednesday 15	SS Maurus & Placid, Disciples of St Benedict, Mem
9:30am	Mass: <i>Parish</i>
Thursday 16	Feria
6:30pm	Mass: <i>Sinead Mary Tomalin-Reeves RIP</i>
Friday 17	St Anthony of Egypt, Abbot, Mem
9:30am	Mass: <i>Tony Bull RIP</i>
Saturday 18	Feria
11:45am	Rosary in Church
12 Noon	Reconciliation (Confession)
5:45pm	Vigil Mass: <i>Tom Hopperton RIP</i>
Sunday 19	2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
10:00am	Mass: <i>David Melling RIP</i>
10:50am	Coffee after Mass – all welcome

A Gift to the Parish

I'm delighted to let you know that Tom Hopperton, whose funeral took place before Christmas, and who lived latterly in Sowerby, has left us provision in his will to buy a pair of Benediction candelabra for use on the altar, one in memory of himself and the other of his dear wife Greta, who died earlier last year.

As many of you know, he also gave us his ordination (C of E) vestment given as a present to him by his mother; when I visited him in his last illness he very kindly offered to donate the cost of a new set of candelabra. These have now arrived and I do hope you will agree that they will be a most beautiful addition to our liturgies; if you'd like to see them do please pop into the sacristy after Mass! Candles have been ordered, and once they have arrived we can start to use them for Saturday Exposition and also for other services which I have in mind - notably Vespers (Evening Prayer) and Benediction on a Sunday evening.

Do please pray for Tom and Greta, and also for their daughter Angie, to whom must go special thanks for dealing with the ordering and cost of the candelabra. Although she lives in the south, I do hope she will be able to come up to Easingwold soon to see these splendid, beautiful memorials of her parents.

God bless you all

Fr James

Spring Clean Volunteers

A suggestion at the Parish Forum was to ask for volunteers to come to the Priory for a couple of hours and overhaul the Meeting Room, ie, what was Fr Leo's room. As many hands make light work, the hope is that the room could be deep cleaned in a shortish period of time. A Saturday seems the obvious suggestion, please could you let Kathryn know of availability and we will come up with a plan of action.

Ideas for a Summer Fayre

We have run very successful Fayres in the past, and it has been suggested we hold one this summer. Please can you have a think about what you could contribute, and we will schedule a meeting in due course.

Parish Website

Terry Browne would be happy to receive items you feel appropriate to put on our website. They can be given to Kathryn, either as hard copy or electronically.

Thought for the Week

No matter how just your words may be, you ruin everything when you speak with anger. ”

St John Chrysostom
Archbishop of Constantinople, died 407AD

Rotas for 2020 have been circulated

Please note that some of the 10:00am ones have been reissued due to an error on the original batch. Some parishioners are called on every other week. If you attend Mass regularly and are not on a rota, do please think about how you could contribute. More volunteers means duties come round less often. Please see Fr James.

Offertory Collections and Charities:

- Thank you for your generous offertory collections last week of £444.60

Upcoming Events – See Posters

January

- 18-25: Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

March

- Fri 6 World Day of Prayer

For Sale in the Porch

- Middlesbrough Year Books 2020 £1, which goes in the “Papers” slot.
- Benedictine Year Books – are £3.75 – money also in the “Papers” slot.
- Eggs £1 per half-dozen (in Poor Box, to support Little Sisters of the Poor). Many thanks to Trish and Jane.

Parish Forum:

Thank you for those who attended on Thursday. Minutes will be circulated in due course.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

the Sick, Infirm and Housebound: Sally Agar, Mattie Burke, Mary Capaldi, Kitty Carrington, Cath Cavanagh, Jenny Cook, Paul Gallagher, Pat Grotrian, Graham Harrand, Marta Hatfield, Eunice Huby, Vince Kelly, Darren Kennedy, Lt. Commander Matthew Kiernan, Kay Moss, Marie Podgorski and Sophie Williams;
those who have Died recently: Maureen Connelly, Veronica Ellerby, Sinead Tomalin-Reeves and Colin Webb
and those whose Anniversaries occur about this time: Alice Mary Maxwell-Stuart, Julian Paul Scholes, David Edward Melling, James Drewitt, Stefan Swiderski, Beryl Ryan, Martin Vincent Mulderrig, Fr Walter Maxwell-Stuart OSB, Margaret Mary George

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2020: 18th—25th January

“Unusual Kindness”

We are not holding daily services this year. If you wish to pray at home, there are booklets available from your church administrator or office Churches Together in Easingwold and District United service on Sunday 19th January at St John the Baptist and All Saints Parish Church at 3.30pm

Donations in Memory of Fr Leo

We have been the grateful recipients of gifts from friends and family of Fr Leo, in particular Ignatius Wong, David and Elizabeth Edwards, and Fr Leo's brother, Richard. The total amount of these gifts came to nearly £1,000, and the money has been put towards the shortfall on the cost of the plinth in Fr Leo's memory, and the debt we owe for the restoration of the church.

Food Banks

- Middlesbrough: The Next delivery is 3 February 2020

Thank you for the generous response to the appeal for unwanted Christmas goodies and special thanks to Rob Thompson for doing the delivery this time!

All donations were gratefully received, as ever, but...Please keep on shopping for the MFB as the need is great! Urgently needed are: Long life juice and milk, bottles of squash, tins of meat, veg, potatoes, and tinned meals such as macaroni cheese. For more information or if you'd like to help, see the parish website or ring us on 01653 628755. God bless.

- Easingwold

Please be aware that although our donations go to Middlesbrough, there is a Food Bank in Easingwold who use our outbuildings to store their supplies. If you or someone you know has need of their services, please contact them in confidence on 0772 44 44 750

Office Hours

Please note Kathryn will not be in the office on Wednesday. With apologies for the inconvenience.