Sacred Heart, Howden and St Joseph & St Thomas, Goole

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3rd Sunday of Advent (Gaudete Sunday) Year B Sunday 17th December 2017

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SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

There will be a Children’s Christmas Party at Sacred Heart, straight after Mass this Sunday morning, to which all our children are invited.

The Christmas Raffle will be drawn today also.

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| *Date* | *Time* | *Place* | *Service/Event* | *Intentions* |
| Sat 16th Dec | 5.30pm | St Joseph’s | Vigil Mass | RIP Winifred Holliday (month’s mind) |
| Sun 17th Dec | 9.30am | Sacred Heart | Mass | People of the Parish |
| Sun 17th Dec | 11.00am | St Joseph’s | Mass | RIP Antonio Finelli family |
| Mon 18th Dec | No Mass |  |  |  |
| Tues 19th Dec | 9.05am at St Joseph’s **School** - Advent Liturgy - Year 1 & 2 | | | |
| Tues 19th Dec | 10.00am | Sacred Heart | Mass | Nov Dead List RIP McCarthy & Boardman Family, Whiteley & Bond Family |
| Tues 19th Dec | 2.00pm | St Joseph’s **School** – Christmas Production – Key Stage 1 | | |
| Wed 20th Dec | 10.00am | St Joseph’s **Church** | End of Term Christmas Mass for School Intentions | |
| Thurs 21st Dec | 10.00am | Sacred Heart | Mass | RIP Susan & Michael McGannon |
| Thurs 21st Dec | 10.30-10.50am | Sacred Heart | Confessions |  |
| Thurs 21st Dec | 12.30pm | St Joseph’s | Funeral Service | RIP June Kelly (LD) |
| Fri 22nd Dec | 10.00am | St Joseph’s | Mass | Nov Dead List RIP Hothersall Family |
| Fri 22nd Dec | 10.30-10.50am | St Joseph’s | Confessions |  |
| Sat 23rd Dec | 5.30pm | St Joseph’s | Vigil Mass | RIP Winifred Holliday (LD) |
| Sun 24th Dec  4th Sunday of Advent | 9.30am | Sacred Heart | Mass | People of the Parish |
| 11.00am | St Joseph’s | Mass | RIP Lorenzon Amado Family |
| Christmas Eve  Sunday 24th Dec | 5.30pm | St Joseph’s | Vigil Mass of the Nativity of the Lord | People of the Parish |
| Christmas Day  Sunday 25th Dec | 9.30am | Sacred Heart | Mass | RIP O’Rourke family & friends |
| Christmas Day  Sunday 25th Dec | 11.00am | St Joseph’s | Mass | RIP Agnolin Marcello family |
| No evening Mass on Christmas Day | | | | |

POLISH MASS is offered on the first Saturday of each month at Goole. The next Polish Mass will be on Saturday 6th January 2018 at 8pm.

*POLSKA MASA jest oferowana w pierwszą sobotę każdego miesiąca w Goole*. Następna polska msza odbędzie się w sobotę 6 stycznia 2018 o 20.00.

Fr Wlodimierz Pajak, 117 Buckingham Street, Scunthorpe. Tel: 01724 855698

SICK & HOUSEBOUND - PLEASE PRAY FOR THEM

Damian Ainscough, Anna Barszcz, Margaret Brodigan, Jean de Bosch, Patience Dare, Carol Dent, Kathleen Evans, Anne Evans, Anne Hayward, Dorothy Kershaw, Anthony Margrave, Joan Marshall, Alma McHugh, Bernard Rook, Michael Ryan, Timmy Ryan, Margaret Scott, Pat Sullivan, Kevin and Catherine Thornton, Lynne Walker and all those who would like to remain anonymous.

CHRISTMAS PARTY TODAY

At Sacred Heart church for the children after the 9.30 Mass. All adults are also invited to stay behind for a cuppa.

ROOF’US FUND: WONDERFUL NEWS

We have some wonderful news for you. Our target of £25,000 has been reached. **(Now £25,152.90!!!)** It is all thanks to your generous support by way of your donations of money, giving time to bake on coffee mornings, buying the Roof’us slates, doing the weekly Numbers Up game buying tickets for and donating prizes to the raffles. Special thanks to the fund-raising team for all their hard work, effort and enthusiasm.

We still, of course, need you to continue in this way, as in addition to what we previously intended doing, we have had to add extensive floor repairs, stone work and stain glass window refurbishment, full decorating throughout, improving disabled access, the WC and new kitchen facilities, new heating system… Yes, it does seem like an endless task, but it is a very worthwhile cause and our duty to restore and maintain such a beautiful church building for future generations to come.

We also have to prove to the grant awarding bodies, as well as to the Diocese, that we are active parishioners and care enough to raise our share of the upkeep costs.

So today we need to give ourselves a well-deserved pat on the back to have reached this first milestone, then, we need to step forward together again in support of this worthy cause.

Thank you all again and God bless you all.

DONATIONS TO REFURBISHMENT FUND

Cheque donations can be made payable to ‘The Sacred Heart Refurbishment Fund.’ Thank you.

HOLY COMMUNION FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

The letter of St James, Chapter 5, verse 14: “Is any among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord.”

If you or anyone you know is ill, either in hospital or at home, and would like to receive the Church’s ministry in anointing and Holy Communion, please let Fr Nigel know and he will come and visit you/your family and friends.

DON’T FORGET to bring food items to the back of St Joseph’s Church and Sacred Heart church for the food bank at Trinity Methodist Church, Goole, and woolly hats for the Apostleship of the Sea.

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| *St. Joseph’s Readers December* | | | |
| Sat 16th Dec  5.30pm | Mr. K. Flynn | Sun 17th Dec 11am | Mrs. P. Sykes |
| Sat 23rd Dec  5.30pm | Mr. P. Netherwood | Christmas Eve 11am | Mrs. R. Gervais |
| Christmas Eve 5.30pm | Mrs. J. Head | Christmas Day 11am | Mrs. J. King |
| Sat 30th Dec  5.30pm | Mr. M. McKone | Sun 31st Dec 11am | Mr. M. Brett |

CLEANING TEAM B for Howden this week.

SACRED HEART GRAND CHRISTMAS HAMPER RAFFLE 2017

TODAY – Sunday 17th December. This is one of our big Roof’us fund-raising events. As ever, thank you all in advance for your generosity. Raffle tickets still on sale before Mass.

SACRED HEART CHRISTMAS COFFEE AND BAKING

A really big thank you to everybody who supported our Christmas Coffee and Baking. Thanks to your support and generosity we made a splendid total of £154.31, a great help towards our roof. A lovely way to start Advent!

ACTION IN SUPPORT OF CATHOLIC EDUCATION

Do you support Catholic schools and the right of parents to send their children to them? Then we need you to make your voice heard. The government is making a critical decision on whether to overturn the admissions cap which prevents new Catholic schools from allowing all Catholic pupils to attend. The Prime Minister has acknowledged that this policy discriminates against Catholics and had promised previously to abandon it. Now the government may decide to keep this discriminatory policy in place instead of removing it. We need you to tell the Government not to discriminate against Catholics and to remove the admission cap on new faith-based schools. Visit <http://catholicnews.org.uk/education-cap> or search for ‘Catholic Education’ in your search engine to write to the Government and urge them to drop their policy which bans new Catholic schools.

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PREPARATION FOR FIRST RECONCILIATION (ST JOSEPH’S CHILDREN)

There will be 3 meetings which the enrolled children and a parent or carer must attend. These will be held on Wednesdays 21st and 28th of February and 7th March 2018 from 6-7p.m. at **St Joseph’s Catholic Primary School**, Kennedy Drive, Goole DN14 6HQ. I will confirm the date of the Reconciliation service as soon as possible. Catherine Murphy

PRZYGOTOWANIE DO PIERWSZEGO SAKRAMENT POKUTY I POJEDNANIA

Odbędą się 3 spotkania, w których uczestniczyć będą zapisane dzieci oraz rodzic lub opiekun. Spotkania odbędą się w środy 21 i 28 lutego oraz 7 marca 2018 r. W godzinach 18.00-19.00 w katolickiej szkole podstawowej św. Józefa,(**St Joseph’s Catholic Primary School),** adres szkoły: Kennedy Drive, Goole DN14 6HQ. Potwierdzę termin tak szybko, jak to możliwe. Catherine Murphy