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Epiphany of Our Lord/Year C

 Sunday 6th January 2019

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Today is The Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord. A blessed and happy New Year to you all.

Next Sunday: Second Collection for Poor Missions Fund.

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| *Date* | *Time* | *Place* | *Service/Event* | *Intentions* |
| Sat 5th Jan | 5.30pm | St Joseph’s | Vigil Mass | People of the Parish |
|  | 8.00pm | St Joseph’s | Polish Mass |  |
| Sun 6th Jan | 9.30am | Sacred Heart | Mass | People of the Parish |
| 11.00am | St Joseph’s | Mass | For people who have had a difficult year. Pray the new year is a happier and healthier one |
| Mon 7th Jan | No Mass |
| Tues 8th Jan | 10.00am | Sacred Heart | Mass | RIP Mr & Mrs W C Sheary |
| Wed 9th Jan | 10.00am | St Joseph’s | Mass | RIP Dezerah Sheary |
| Thurs 10th Jan | 10.00am | Sacred Heart | Mass | RIP Andrew Sheary |
| 10.30-10.50am | Sacred Heart | Confessions |
| Fri 11th Jan | 10.00am | School Mass in St Joseph’s CHURCH | School Intentions |
| No Confessions |
| Sat 12th Jan | 5.30pm | St Joseph’s | Vigil Mass | RIP Tom Bearstall (19th Anniversary) |
| Sun 13th Jan | 9.30am  | Sacred Heart | Mass | People of the Parish |
| 11.00am | St Joseph’s | Mass | Thanksgiving Mass (for the babies) (PE) |

POLISH MASS is offered on the first Saturday of each month at Goole. The next Polish Mass will be this Saturday 5th January 2019 at 8pm.)

*MASA POLSKA jest oferowana w pierwszą sobotę każdego miesiąca w Goole. Następna polska msza odbędzie się w sobotę 5 stycznia 2019 o 20.00.*

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

FORTHCOMING FUNERALS

Thursday 17th January at 1.00pm at St Joseph’s: RIP CHRISTOPHER LAUREL FRANCIS.

Friday 18th January at 10.15am at St Joseph’s: RIP JOHN MALCOLM JACKSON.

Our condolences to all bereaved families and friends.

The magi belonged to a caste of wise men associated with the interpretations of dreams, astrology and magic. They came from the East – possibly Persia, East Syria or Arabia. In later Christian tradition, under the influence of Psalm 72: 10 (‘May the kings of Tarshish and of the isles render him tribute, may the kings of Sheba and Seba bring gifts!’) they became three kings, and, in the Western Church, were given names – Caspar, Balthasar and Melchior. Matthew includes the wise men in his Gospel because they represent the Gentile world giving homage to Jesus and worshipping him. God guided them to Bethlehem by a star, showing that his will is greater than astral determinism, to reveal Jesus to them as the promised Messiah. The Gentile wise men, unlike the Jewish King Herod the Great, frightened of losing his power and therefore unwilling to do homage to Jesus, were open to God’s guidance and revelation and offered Jesus their worship;

The Epiphany – the manifestation or showing forth of the Lord the Gentile world - unveils the mystery of Christ to all people. God’s purpose for creation is for all men and women to know and worship Christ, for ‘all things were created through him and for him’ (Col. 1:16). In Christ the Gentiles are joined to the Jews, God’s chosen people, and are now made ‘fellow heirs, members of the same body, and partakers of the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel’ (Eph. 3:6). Everyone in Christ is a member of God’s family and shares in the blessings of God’s children … *‘Lord Jesus, thank you for making yourself known to me. I give you my homage and worship. Pour out your Spirit upon the whole world so that many may come to believe in you and know you, and give you homage and worship’. from “BIBLE ALIVE”*

SICK & HOUSEBOUND - PLEASE PRAY FOR THEM

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

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 now and he will come and visit your family and friends.

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

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

A REFLECTION BY VINCENT RYAN OSB, FOR EPIPHANY

We journey by faith, not by sight. We are like the air-pilot flying his plane by night. He uses nothing outside his cabin. Relying on his instruments he knows that he is on the right course. Faith too sets us on our course, shows us the way forward.

At times we may lose our direction. The star, which appeared so bright, may grow dim and even disappear. That does not mean we are lost. The obscurity is temporary and serves as a testing of our faith. We should learn from the Magi. When they lost their star they did not turn back. Instead, they sought advice from men versed in the scriptures who were able to tell them where the Christ would be born. We too should consult with those who, by their knowledge and experience, are in a position to help us. We need the advice of men and women who really know the Word of God. To this must be added our own prayer and patience. Then the star will reappear …..

*(Vincent Ryan OSB)*

ST JOSEPH’S READERS LIST FOR JANUARY is now on the website.

CLEANING TEAM A for Howden this week.

SACRED HEART COFFEE AND BAKING

Our next Baking Sunday will be 3rd February 2019!!

FIRST COMMUNION PREPARATION FOR 2019 AT ST. JOSEPH'S GOOLE

Classes recommence for the children already enrolled on Wednesday 17th October at 6.15 p.m. at St. Joseph's School. Please remember to bring your " I belong" book. Future classes are; 16th January, 13th February, 24th April, 8th May.

ST JOSEPH’S SCHOOL ADMISSIONS POLICY CONSULTATION

The draft Admissions Policy for 2020/21 is available on the school website <http://www.stjosephscatholicprimarygoole.co.uk/>

If anyone has any comments they need to make them in writing via this email

admin@stjosephs.eriding.net  by Monday 21st January 2019.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ST JOSEPH’S SCHOOL who came top of the table in East Riding with 100% of the children reaching their SATS target. Well done.