

**ST MARY IMMACULATE, WARWICK
ST CHARLES BORROMEO, HAMPTON ON THE HILL**

**Feast of the Holy Family
31st December 2023**



Andrea Mantegna *Presentation at the Temple* c.1455 Gemäldegalerie, Berlin

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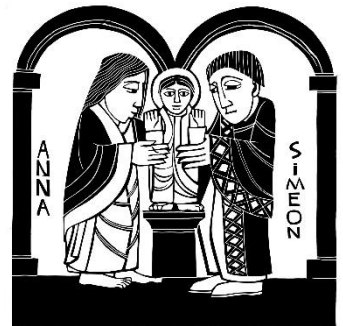
MASS TIMES



	Year B	St Mary Immaculate	St Charles Borromeo
Sun 31	The Holy Family	6pm (Sat) <i>Private int.</i> 11am <i>Rita Sharp</i>	
Mon 1	Mary, Mother of God	12pm <i>May Veasey RIP & family</i>	
Tue 2	St Basil the Great and St Gregory Nazianzen	9.30am <i>Ann O'Connor ints.</i>	
Weds 3	The Most Holy Name of Jesus		12pm <i>Private int</i>
Thur 4	Christmas feria		
Fri 5	Christmas feria	9.30am <i>O'Callaghan family RIP</i>	
Sat 6	Christmas feria	5pm <i>Lectio Divina</i> 6pm <i>Alice Harris RIP</i>	
Sun 7	The Epiphany of the Lord	11am <i>Sarah Drysdale</i>	9am <i>Private int.</i> <i>Pro Populo</i>

THE WORD THIS WEEK

The Mass readings for the Feast of the Holy Family this weekend highlight the significance of family. The readings present the encounter of Joseph, Mary, and the infant Jesus with Simeon and Anna, shedding light on Jesus' future. The themes encompass understanding the meaning of belonging to God's family and recognizing the diverse forms of families, including biological, faith-based, and intentional families.



GENERAL NOTICES

Recently Dead: Fr Christopher Greaney, Michael Marshall, Philippe Narain, May they rest in peace.

Thank you to both parishes from Fr Patrick for all the cards and gifts and your very generous Christmas Offerings

Vietnamese Food stall: In the hall at St Mary's after the 11am Mass on alternate Sundays, proceeds so far to the Maintenance fund is over £200. Thanks to staff of Yum Yum restaurant on Smith St. Cash only.

A big thank you from our Primary School: Thank you to everyone who supported us by buying raffle tickets and/or coming to our Christmas Fair. Congratulations to all those who won prizes too! The staff & governors wish all of our parishioners a very merry Christmas and a blessed New Year.

Fundraiser: One of our young parishioners, Esther Graham, is taking part in a trip to Peru with Camps International in 2025 to work on community projects. Esther and her family will be selling cakes & sweet bags after the 11am Mass in the hall during December to fundraise for the trip.

Justice and Peace: St Mary Immaculate Advent Giving Tree - Your gifts are greatly appreciated by the LW night shelter; through your kindness someone is less hungry, someone less cold, someone happier. Thanks to all who gave so generously. (Jennifer)

SVP Advent Foodbank Appeal thanks for your wonderful response. The final delivery was made to the Foodbank last week.

Book Club the next meeting is on 9 January, 7pm, Martyr's Room - Sandi Toksvig, *Between the Stops*; for more information, see our new website <https://rb.gy/0kzhak>; or contact emma_mason@outlook.com

Christmas Boxes St Mary Immaculate donated 21 boxes to children who would not normally receive any gifts. Thank you to those who filled a box and also to Suzanne, the Organiser.

1st Holy Communion: Please see the schedule on the parish website. Meeting for parents on Sat 3 Feb at 4.30pm in the church.

Youth Club: Year 9 upwards. Alternate Tuesdays in the parish hall. Please contact Hannah for more information dallman.han@gmail.com

Young Adults: There is a group for young Catholic adults 18-35 that meet monthly in Leamington. Follow the link for more info <https://www.catholicleamington.org.uk/young-adults-18-30.html>

Skittles evening and social event Fri 12 Jan 7.30 pm at the Wild Boar pub, Lakin Road Warwick. Tickets £10 to include Pizza. Please send an email to Nick at nick.ranners@hotmail.com. Please book early as it was a full house last year

Pre-Lent Retreat at St Mary Immaculate, 2-5pm Saturday 10 February 2024. Details to follow.

Crib Offerings will be going to The Friends of the Holy Land, a charity that supports Christians in the Holy Land, our 'Mother Church', particularly in Bethlehem in the West Bank, Gaza and Jordan. You can also give online via the parish websites and on the machine at the back of church at St Mary's. Funds can be paid directly to FHL. The charity's bank details are as follows: Name: Friends of the Holy Land. Account: 24591211. Sort Code: 60-05-41.

	St Mary Immaculate stmary-immaculate.org.uk	St Charles Borromeo stcharles-borromeo.org.uk
Christmas Collections		
Counting	Next Weekend (31 Jan) group 1	More counters required at St Charles, please contact Angela.
Sick & Housebound	Gill Bonehill, Christopher Browne, Eileen Checkley, Patrick Clifford, Colin Docker, Wendy Fitzpatrick-Ellis, Annie Gleason, Anne Gunthorpe, Janet Harbison, Graham Hardwick, Samantha Hewitt, Susan James, Catherine McCarthy, Monica, Liam McLaughlin, Bernadette Narain, Kathleen O'Connor, Agnes Pauling, Peter Schmidt, Margaret Thornton, Sheila Thumwood, Betty Walters, Gerard Williams.	Aidan Harris, Monica Hermolle, Samantha Hewitt, Jo Holleron, Eddie Unitt, Janina Woods. <i>Your prayers are asked for all the sick in our parishes: at home, care home, hospital, hospice.</i>
Monthly Draw	<u>£350 paid in prizes each month.</u> A great way to support the parish with a chance of winning a substantial prize. Dec winners, 1 st and 3 rd F Whiting, 2 nd H Connor. Next draw 22 Jan.	<u>St Charles Tote £3, Monthly cash prizes.</u>
The lamps in our churches		
Rosary group	The Pope's intentions for January: For the gift of Diversity in the Church. We pray that the Holy Spirit may help us to recognise the gift of different charisms within the Christian community and to discover the richness of different traditions and rituals in the Catholic Church.	

PARISH GIVING: The best way to support our parishes financially is by setting up a Standing Order using the following bank details. If you don't have internet banking and want to sign up for Standing Order, please contact the parish office. [GiftAid form](#)

Account name: RCA Birmingham St Mary Immaculate Acc. no.28541588: Sort code 55-70-33
Account name: RCA Birmingham St Charles Borromeo Acc. no.28392876: Sort code 55-70-33

Parish Websites stmary-immaculate.org.uk stcharles-borromeo.org.uk

Our Parishes operate in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parishes Safe guarding Representative is Julia FitzSimons who can be contacted at: sg.smi.warwick@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/ safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.

Health & Safety Coordinators: Steve Nemeth (St Mary), Damien Convey (St Charles)
Primary School Head: Julia Wallace. Parish Secretary: Andy Walker.