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Times of Mass & Services 30th/31st Dec. 2017 FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

Saturday	5.30 pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	11.00 am	Special Intention (PH)
NEW YEAR'S DAY	10.00 am	Ann & Gerry Cavanagh RIP
Tuesday	10.00 am	Special Intention
Wednesday	10.00 am	Clare Wyatt RIP
Thursday	6.15 pm	Margaret & James O'Kane RIP
Friday	9.00 am	Elizabeth Dodds RIP
Saturday	5.30 pm	Julia Bennett RIP
Sunday	11.00 am	People of the Parish

NEW YEAR'S DAY, MASS AT 10.00 am, THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY THE MOTHER OF GOD.

NEXT SUNDAY IS THE SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD.

OUR THANKS We are grateful to all those who enabled us to worthily and joyfully celebrate the mystery of Christmas: those who donated the poinsettias, those who helped the children to decorate the tree, those who cleaned the brasses, cloths, church, windows and woodwork, those who provided and arranged the flowers; the readers, musicians, choir, altar servers, Eucharistic Ministers, church wardens, and all who took part in the Masses.

HOLY HOUR THURSDAY 5.15 – 6.15 pm There will be Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament on Thurs. evening from 5.15 – 6.15 pm. This is an opportunity to ask God's blessing in the new year, and especially for vocations to the priesthood and the religious life.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE WINNERS Congratulations to the winners in the Raffle. The Luxury Hamper: Mrs DeFranco; The Family Hamper: Clive Stanbrook; The Chocolate Indulgence: McTerese Crespzic (Spanish Family); The Tetley Tea Man: Ann Hedley.

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO BOUGHT TICKETS & DONATED and WRAPPED THE PRIZES The Raffle made £770 for the church building fund. Thanks also to Margaret Ball for £50 from the knitted Christmas Puddings and £30 from the hats and gloves.

CHRISTMAS EDITION OF CATHOLIC TODAY Please take a copy of Catholic Today, our diocesan newspaper. There is a message from His Grace, the Archbishop, a summary of the financial returns of the diocese and various helpful statistics, and news from the parishes.

PIETY THANKS Our thanks to Marie-Louise for £100 from Piety Stall sales.

ANGEL TREE Many thanks to all who helped again this year. Seventy presents were posted to the children of prisoners. Thirty-six were bought by St Joseph's shoppers! Many parishioners also sent contributions and prayed for Angel Tree. Thank you to all.

PARISH RECORDS UPDATE Please enable us to update the parish records by filling in an information sheet and handing them to Fr Garry. This has not been done for a long time and will really help.

Please pray for the sick, housebound and those who care for them: Niamh Coyne, Pat Hopkins, Betty Gowers, Clive Stanbrook, David Ryan, Michael Moore, Archie Parsons, Heather Gerrard, Chris Browne, Mary get Parkin, Julie Kelly, Tommy McAloon, Gabrielle Edwards, Derek Riley, Greg Steele, Ronnie Walker, Nicholas Summerfield, Margaret McAleer, Mike Newman.