



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Cf. Is 9:5

A child is born for us, and a son is given to us; his sceptre of power rests upon his shoulder, and his name will be called Messenger of great counsel.

THE COLLECT

O God, who wonderfully created the dignity of human nature and still more wonderfully restored it, grant, we pray, that we may share in the divinity of Christ, who humbled himself to share in our humanity. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

FIRST READING

52:7-10

A reading from the prophet Isaiah
How beautiful on the mountains, are the feet of one who brings good news, who heralds peace, brings happiness, proclaims salvation, and tells Zion, 'Your God is king!'

Listen! Your watchmen raise their voices, they shout for joy together, for they see the Lord face to face, as he returns to Zion.

Break into shouts of joy together, you ruins of Jerusalem; for the Lord is consoling his people, redeeming Jerusalem.

The Lord bares his holy arm in the sight of all the nations, all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Ps 97:1-6. R.v3

R) All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

Sing a new song to the Lord for he has worked wonders. His right hand and his holy arm have brought salvation. (R)

The Lord has made known his salvation; has shown his justice to the nations. He has remembered his truth and love for the House of Israel. (R)

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. Shout to the Lord all the earth, ring out your joy. (R)

Sing psalms to the Lord with the harp, with the sound of music. With trumpets and the sound of the horn acclaim the King, the Lord. (R)

SECOND READING

1:1-6

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

At various times in the past and in various different ways, God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets; but in our own time, the last days, he has spoken to us through his Son, the Son that he has appointed to inherit everything and through whom he made everything there is. He is the radiant light of God's glory and the perfect copy of his nature, sustaining the universe by his powerful command; and now that he has destroyed the defilement of sin, he has gone to take his place in heaven at the right hand of divine Majesty. So he is now as far above the angels as the title which he has inherited is higher than their own name.

God has never said to any angel: You are my Son, today I have become your father; or: I will be a father to him and he a son to me. Again, when he brings the First-born into the world, he says: Let all the angels of God worship him.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia, alleluia!
A hallowed day has dawned upon us.
Come, you nations, worship the Lord,
for today a great light has shone down upon the earth.
Alleluia!**

GOSPEL

John 1:1-18

The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.
A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.
Glory to you, O Lord.

[...]

[In the beginning was the Word: the Word was with God and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things came to be, not one thing had its being but through him. All that came to be had life in him and that life was the light of men, a light that shines in the dark, a light that darkness could not overpower.]

A man came, sent by God. His name was John. He came as a witness, as a witness to speak for the light, so that everyone might believe through him. He was not the light, only a witness to speak for the light.

[The Word was the true light that enlightens all men; and he was coming into the world. He was in the world that had its being through him, and the world did not know him. He came to his own domain and his own people did not accept him. But to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God, to all who believe in the name of him who was born not out of human stock or urge of the flesh or will of man but of God himself. The Word was made flesh, he lived among us, and we saw his glory, the glory that is his as the only Son of the Father, full of grace and truth.]

John appears as his witness. He proclaims: 'This is the one of whom I said: He who comes after me ranks before me because he existed before me.'

Indeed, from his fullness we have, all of us, received - yes, grace in return for grace, since, though the Law was given through Moses, grace and truth have come through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God; it is the only Son, who is nearest to the Father's heart, who has made him known.

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Make acceptable, O Lord, our oblation on this solemn day, when you manifested the reconciliation that makes us wholly pleasing in your sight and inaugurated for us the fullness of divine worship. Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Cf. Ps 97:3

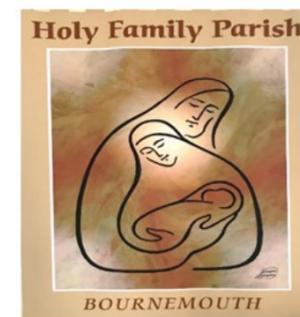
All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant, O merciful God, that, just as the Saviour of the world, born this day, is the author of divine generation for us, so he may be the giver even of immortality. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

THE PARISH OF THE HOLY FAMILY, BOURNEMOUTH

incorporating the churches of Christ the King, Kinson & St Bernadette's, Ensbury Park



The white candle, the final Advent candle represents the coming of Christ.

The candle is white to represent the purity and the lack of sin that Jesus had when he was born.

A HALLOWED DAY HAS DAWNED UPON US.

Can we ever fathom what this birth means and has meant for us?

This child is God become one of us. He has come!! Not just to show us/teach us his loving intention for our flourishing and happiness but to restore to us the possibility of achieving that intention. Not even the angels could possibly understand the immensity of the gift and glory present— what happens at the altar at the moment of consecration, brings that child to us, in a manner only possible by God.

Mary and Joseph, this Christmas Day, offer us their example of adequately revering this gift. Their obedience, their faithfulness and their tender loving care of the Child.

We, in spirit, can be one with them. We can call on them to help us from Heaven. They can see everything from God's perspective through the love of their Son

Oh Come let us adore Him....



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Thank you

To all for all that you have done this year to help and support both the churches of our parish. I am so grateful to you for helping us in the parish office to keep our Parish going.

I WISH YOU A HAPPY AND HOLY CHRISTMAS,

AND

A PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR



God bless you and keep you all safe in the New Year !!!

**BE ASSURED OF MY REMEMBRANCE OF YOU ALL,
BEFORE THE MANGER**

**WE GIVE THANKS TO GOD FOR PROTECTING OUR PARISHIONERS
DURING COVID AND MAY HE CONTINUE TO KEEP US ALL SAFE
IN THE YEAR AHEAD**

Fr. Chacks

POSADA

We welcome
Mary and Joseph
to the stable and
await the birth
of Our new born King



**MASSES for
the NATIVITY of the
LORD**

**Christmas Eve
6.30pm Carols by
candlelight
followed by
Vigil Mass at 7pm
@ CtK**

**Christmas Day
10am @ StB**

*If anyone is able to
help with welcoming
or ushering at the
masses, please
contact Michelle
Carroll, Sr Michele or
Jo Martin*



**POPE's INTENTIONS
for December 2022**
For volunteer,
not for profit organisations

We pray that volunteer
non profit organisations
committed to human
development find people
dedicated to the common
good and ceaselessly seek
out new paths to interna-
tional co-operation
<https://thepopevideo.org/>

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS

Joscelyne Cotrel
Frances Smith
Les Netherton
Frances and Tony Herbert

Julia Blackburn
Sheila Shelley
Kevin Moor
Anna Browne



DAY	CHURCH	TIME	CELEBRATION or FEAST DAY/ MEMORIAL
Sat 24	CtK	6.30pm 7pm	Carols followed by Vigil Mass of THE NATIVITY of the LORD
Sun 25	StB	10am	THE NATIVITY of the LORD
Mon 26	CtK	10am	Mass for the Guild of St Stephen—renewal of promises by servers
Tues 27	CtK	9.30am	Weekday Mass St John the Apostle and Evangelist
Wed 28			NO MASS Feast of the Holy Innocents
Thur 29	CtK	9.30 am	Weekday Mass Feast of St Thomas Beckett
Fri 30	CtK	9.30am	Weekday Mass followed by exposition & Divine Chaplet Feast of Holy Family
Sat 31	StB	6.30pm	Vigil Mass of the Seventh day of the Christmas Octave
Sun 1	CtK StB	9.30am 11 am	Masses of the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
Mon 2			NO MASS
Tues 3			NO MASS
Wed 4			NO MASS
Thur 5	CtK	9.30 am	Weekday Mass
Fri 6	CtK	9.30am	The Epiphany of the Lord
Sat 7	StB	6.30pm	Vigil Mass of the Baptism of the Lord
Sun 8	CtK StB	9.30am 11 am	Mass of the Baptism of the Lord CHRISTMASTIDE ENDS

GUILD of St Stephen

Boxing day mass
to welcome 3
new servers
Mass at CTK
at 10am.



KNITTING GROUP

Will meet every
Thursday 2pm
at CtK
From 5th Jan



CHACKO'S CAFE NEW YEAR'S DAY

Come along to the Cafe in the lounge after 9.30 Mass
and celebrate the New Year with mulled wine,
mince pies, stollen and festive cakes.
During 2022 we made £505.30.
Thanks to all who have attended.

CHRISTMAS OFFERING

This is an important opportunity for us all to express our gratitude to our Parish priest, Fr Chacko. Love lies at the heart of Christmas—God's love for us—and a love that we share every time we attend Mass together. A priest loves us and feeds us from the table of the Lord and by this offering, we can show our appreciation for their vocation. This week, Fr Chacko celebrated his 47th year as a priest and I am sure you all join me in congratulating him.

Your kind offering at the Christmas Masses is a significant part of their income and are gifts

Thank you.



SUNDAY CAFÉ after 9.30am Mass—Claim a free drink! Pick up a loyalty card from 8th January and when you buy 4 drinks, you get one free! All profits go towards the Parish Funds

Bank details below

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Holy Family parish!

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QR code to donate

