



# PARISH OF THE HOLY FAMILY

~ THANET ~

*Parish Church:* OUR LADY AND SAINT BENEDICT CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Mass Centre:* CHRIST CHURCH (U.R.C.) WESTGATE BAY AVENUE, WESTGATE

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## WEEKLY DIARY

**Sunday 31st December 2017**

**FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH**

**Saturday 30th December (Evening)**

*Confessions 5.15 pm to 5.45 pm*

**Vigil Mass**

**6 pm BIRCHINGTON**

*WHITE*

*Deceased members & friends of Plewis Family, RIP*

**Sunday 31st December** **Feast of The Holy Family**

**9.15 am BIRCHINGTON**

*Deceased members & friends of Cooke Family, RIP*

**10.45 am WESTGATE MASS CENTRE**

*Peter Carter, RIP Margaret Carter*

SEASON OF CHRISTMAS TIME

*Psalter week 1*

**Monday 1st January 2018 (White)** **Mary, Mother of God**

**10 am** *Martin & Karla Brennan Wedding Egan Family*

**Tuesday 2nd January (White)**

**St Basil the Great and St Gregory Nazianzen**

**10 am** *Well-being of Henrietta Dyke Maureen Dyke*

**Wednesday 3rd January (White)**

**The Most Holy Name of Jesus**

**9.30 am** *EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT*

**10 am** *Deceased members & friends of Browne Family, RIP Heather Browne*

**Thursday 4th January (White)** **Feria of Christmas Time**

**NO MASS TODAY**

**Friday 5th January (White)** **Feria of Christmas Time**

**9.30 am** *EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT*

**10 am** *Mary Angela Sutcliffe, RIP Private Intention*

**Saturday 6th January (White)** **Feria of Christmas Time**

**9.45 am** *MORNING PRAYER OF THE CHURCH*

**10 am** *In Thanksgiving E. Haugh*

**Collections: 23<sup>rd</sup>/24<sup>th</sup> December 2017**

*Gift Aid Loose Plate TOTAL*

**Offertory** ....£267.00 .....£266.22 .....**£533.22**

**CHRISTMAS OFFERINGS** .....**£2,104.01**

*Thank you for your generosity*



*To all my parishioners and their families*

As we venture into this new year of 2018 may I thank you for your cards and material gifts, for the generosity of your Christmas Offering and, more especially, for all your prayers and concern for my well-being; both over this blessed Christmastide and throughout the past year.

It is always a joy to serve you as your parish priest and I continue to remember you all in my prayers and sincerely hope that we continue to grow in our faith and love for Jesus, Mary and Joseph on this the patronal feastday of The Holy Family, and equally we grow in love, understand and care for each other.

*Canon David*

**200 CLUB DRAW AND COFFEE MORNING** on **Sunday 7th January** in the Parish Hall following the 9.15 am Mass.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES** continue on **Saturday 6th January 2018** at 12 Noon – open to all children from the age of seven. *Please see Canon David, Margaret Carter or the Parish Office.*

**JUSTICE PEACE AND INTEGRITY OF CREATION MEETING:** **Tuesday 9th January 2018** in the Parish Hall following the 10 am Mass. *Open to all parishioners*

**WHITE FLOWER APPEAL:** The Annual White Flower Appeal Collection will take place next weekend Sat/Sun 13th/14th January.

**WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY:** 18th to 25th January. In Westgate the Parish of The Holy Family will lead the Prayer Service on the opening day, **Thursday 18th January** in St Saviour's Church, Westgate Bay Avenue at 10.30 am (*See poster for other venues*)

**CHURCHES TOGETHER IN BIRCHINGTON:** Churches together Coffee Morning to be held in the Parish Hall on **Wednesday 24th January** following the 10 am Mass. **Volunteers wanted to serve teas and Coffee's** – please contact the parish office ASAP.

**COMMISSIONING OF EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION** will take place on **Saturday 3rd February** at St. George's Cathedral, Southwark, London. *Application forms available from the Parish Office.*

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH:** This week you are asked to pray for Steve Kelly and Linda Magennis, Ina Evens, Joan and James Hogan, St Hannah DOJ, Andy Anderson Rosemary Harte, Ron Wells, John Spicer, John and Carolyn Kelly, Zoe Silver and Frances Green who are sick.

*~~~~~ Wedding Anniversary ~~~~~*

**Congratulations this week to**

**John and Olivia Nelson** who this week celebrate 53 years of marriage on **Monday 1st January**

**APOLOGIES:** the Notice relating to the wedding celebration of **Fiona and Malachy Egan** should have read 42 years and NOT 52 years as was misprinted. *Our sincere apologies for this mistake.*