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THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

(JANUARY 12, 2025)

Entrance Antiphon: After the Lord was baptised, the heavens were opened,

and the Spirit descended upon him like a dove,

and the voice of the Father thundered:

This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.

Response to the Psalm: Bless the Lord, O my Soul! My God, how great you are!

He who is mightier than I is coming, said John. Gospel Acclamation:

He will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire.

Behold the One of whom John said: Communion Antiphon:

I have seen and testified that this is the Son of God.

Mass - Vallary D'Souza & Catrin Cruz (Intention)

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

CONFESSIONS

6.00pm (Sat) 8.00am, 9.30am, 11.00am

SUNDAY (Sat) 06.00pm

Saturday: 9.30am – 10am and 5pm - 5.30pm

THIS WEEK'S MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

	08.00am	Mass -	Francisco Gracias (RIP) Caitano Gracias (RIP)	`	-		
	09.30am	Mass -	Agnelo Fernandes (RIP)				
	11.00am	Mass -	Amron Vales (Intention)				
MONDAY	NO MASS						

TUESDAY 09.00am Mass -Gill Pagan (RIP)

WEDNESDAY 09.00am Armstrong Pereira & Antonieta Dias (Intention) Mass -

THURSDAY 09.00am Mass -Maclyn Rodrigues (Intention)

Jeston Pereira (Thanksgiving)

FRIDAY 09.00am Mass -Michael Noble (Anniversary)

SUNDAY MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS (JANUARY 19, 2025)

SUNDAY (Sat) 06.00pm Mass -Augusto Fernandes (RIP) 08.00am Mass – Lakeisha Dias (Intention) 09.30am Mass -Socorrina Da Costa (Intention) Melrick Fernandes (Intention) 11.00am Eileen Smith (anniversary) Mass -Monica Fernandes (Intention)

Church cleaning every Friday, after the Morning Mass. Your help would be much appreciated

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS all those who are sick especially: Peter Hazel, Anna Tickner, Peadar Heffron, Sheila Hughes, Christopher and Cath Brown, Julia Harrison, Lena Watson, Cheryl Dawson, Louise Stacey, Irena Fliska, John Ruck, Emmanuella Ruck, Elizabeth McGill, Andrew McCarthy, Marie Lowe, Gill Young, Peggy Notley, Andrew Stacey, Pat Fox, Caroline Borg, Nellie Blake, Martin Connolly, Colin Sobers, Nicola Campbell

WELCOME: We welcome Fr Peter Smith to our Parish. Fr Peter is from the Diocese of Birmingham and will be helping with Sunday Mass for the rest of January.

RECENTLY DIED: Please remember in your prayers the repose of the soul of Joan Walker and Kevin Joyce who have died recently.

Requiem Mass will be offered Joan Walker here at St Marys at 11am on Monday 20th January. Kevin Joyce's funeral will be at Kingsdown Crematorium at 12 noon on 20th January. Please remember them and their families in your prayer.

BAPTISM: We welcome into the Catholic Church Joanna Cunha who is baptised here in St Marys this weekend.

FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION 2025: The enrolment forms for children wishing to receive First Holy Communion and Confirmation in 2024 are now available. Children must be in year 3 or above to make their First Communion. Young people must be in Year 10 and above to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

MANY THANKS from Knit & Natterers: Thank you to all who made donations for knitted items which came to £304.23 Half will go to Future In Our Hands Charity http://fiohnetwork.org/Registered Charity Number 1047953

The charity supports sustainable projects for women, children and the environment mainly in India, Cameroon and Sierra Leone. In the light of the recent letter from Bishop Bosco, the other half will be donated to Prospect Hospice in Swindon which gives palliative care to those who are terminally ill.

PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA: Fr Francis Colaco of St Peter's is leading a pilgrimage to Fatima from 6th – 10th May 2025. The cost of this pilgrimage will be £769.00 per person sharing a room. This includes 5 days and 4 nights with half board in a 3* hotel in Fatima. If you are interested, please contact Eileen Mochan on 07469 940371 ASAP. Alternatively, you can contact All Saints Travel on 01793 881166 or 07703059009. To book online www.allsaintstravel.co.uk/FM0987 Poster on the notice board.

PILGRIMAGE WALK carrying the Pilgrim Cross began as a Catholic student pilgrimage and has evolved into ecumenical endeavour. Which will take place on Friday 11th – Sunday 20th April 2025 from Oxford to Walsingham, 100miles. Those who would like to take part please contact by email: studentcross.oxfordleg@gmail.com Poster on the board.

GIFT AID DONATIONS: Anyone who wishes to start donating weekly/ monthly either through Gift Aid envelopes or direct debit/ Standing order/ through offertory envelope donations order may ask for a form or speak to Fr. Michael or contact the Parish Office.

PARISH OFFERTORY: The offertory collection last Sunday came to £907.82 and the Crib collection was £392.49 and £500 in standing orders. Many thanks for your generosity.

OUR LADY OF FATIMA: The Parish statue of our Lady of Fatima is available for people to take to their home for prayer and for special occasions. For booking contact: **Natasha Vas** on Mobile 07720982226 after 4.30pm until 8pm.

"The Eucharist,
although it is the fullness of sacramental life,
is not a prize for the perfect
but a powerful medicine
and nourishment for the weak."

Pope Francis