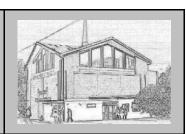


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5th January 2025 Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord Year C			
Sat 4th Jan	SH	5.00 pm	Brigid Moran RIP (5th Anniversary)
Sun 5th	SH EM	9.30 am 11.00 am	People of the Parishes Fr Fred Sheldon RIP
Mon 6th			No Mass
Tues 7th			No Mass
Wed 8th	SH	7.00 pm	Ann Hunter RIP (M. Butler)
Thurs 9th	EM SH	9.30 am 10.00 am	Dcn Lionel's Intentions Liturgy of the Word with refreshments in the hall afterwards
Fri 10th	SH	7pm	Patsy Matthews RIP (Clarke)
Sat 11th	SH	5.00 pm	Pauline Inglis RIP (Clarke)
Sun 12th	SH EM	9.30am 11.00 am	People of the Parishes Norah Slowey RIP (K. Mangan)

Father in heaven, may the *faith* you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of *charity* enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed *hope* for the coming of your Kingdom. May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. Amen (*Excerpt from The Jubilee Prayer—Pope Francis*)

Sacred Heart

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Parish Office for both parishes open: Tuesday and Friday 9.30 am to 12.00.

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Parish Team Canon Gerard Murray, Deacon Lionel Pelloquin, Fr Graham Venn IC (in residence)

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Offertory Collections last weekend: Thanks for your generous support.

Sacred Heart: £ + Standing Orders including DONA donations English Martyrs: £ + Standing Orders including DONA donations

In accordance with diocesan policy we have provided some new strong locked boxes for the weekly Collection for the Parishes and the Occasional Second Collections for the diocesan and other approved charities. We hope you find them useful.

It is good to see that people are using the DONA cashless system for Parish Collections. Remember you can Gift Aid your giving on the system too. Thank you for your generous support of our parishes.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER: We pray for Alan Parish, Mike Venn, Fr Michael White, Pam Minors and Pauline Brown and all who are suffering in spirit, mind or body.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for January—For the right to an education Let us pray for migrants, refugees and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, may always be respected.

Date for your Diary - Sunday 2nd February—Parish Social 4 –7 pm (both parishes). Shared table at Sacred Heart.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES for children at non-Catholic schools: If your child is Year 6 upwards and you wish them to celebrate Confirmation in 2025 please email your details to Sacred Heart Parish at saredheart.bilton@rcaob.org.uk. as soon as possible. First Communion programme—Second session for children is on Monday, 13th January at 6pm prompt. Children please bring your pencil case with you.

STARTING MASS ON TIME: Please do your best to arrive in good time for Mass and especially the 9.30am Sunday morning Mass at Sacred Heart.

SAFEGUARDING—The Parishes operate in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese policies and procedures at all times. Any concerns please contact sg.sacredheart.bilton@rcaob.org.uk or the Diocesan Safeguarding Team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 . safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns.

JUBLIEE YEAR 2025 has begun with Pope Francis opening the Holy Door at St Peters on Christmas Eve and in our diocese by Archbishop Bernard at St Chad's this Sunday.

A Jubilee Companion Booklet has been produced. It is a good introduction to the themes of the year and how we can celebrate it fruitfully. It contains many practical suggestions on how we can celebrate the Holy Year in our lives and as a parish community. Pope Francis calls us to be Pilgrims of Hope. Booklets are available £1.50 each.

CHRISTMAS CARDS Please take a look and see if any cards have been left for you at Church.