

What a fantastic Christmas we are having so far!

It was wonderful to see the church packed at every single Mass – even on such a busy weekend with the 4th Sunday Advent & Christmas being celebrated together!

The way you all prepared for Christmas during Advent was so encouraging: the attendance at the formation sessions continues to grow, your understanding of the faith and the Scriptures is deepening as a result, and the huge numbers returning to the Sacrament of Confession truly is a blessing and a sign that God is at work in this place!

We really do have a remarkable parish here, with so many people working hard to make sure we are fulfilling our mission of making disciples and proclaiming the Gospel.

I must thank all those who worked so hard to clean the church and dress it for Christmas – it looks amazing!

Thank you to Frances in the sacristy, the Altar Servers and Readers, Martin on the projector and all of you for your presence – just by being at Mass you are a witness for the Lord.

Finally, thank you for all the cards, good wishes and gifts that I received – you have been very kind and generous.

On this Feast of the Holy Family may I take this opportunity to assure you and your family of my prayers for you in the New Year ahead!



Parish Mission Statement:

"We are here to make Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament better known, loved, honoured, worshiped and adored. All of our efforts in this parish will be geared towards helping every individual to discover the Lord waiting for them to approach Him in the tabernacle".

Sacramental Preparation in the Parish



Baptism preparation:

The next
Preparation
course
begins in the
New Year.



Confession:

Available 30mins before every Mass and:

5pm Sat 6pm Tues 11am Fri



First Confession

and Holy
Communion:

Saturday 13th
January at
10am



Confirmation class:

Sunday 21st
January
11:15am



Marriage Preparation:

It takes approx.

1 year to
prepare for
Marriage.
Catholics must
be Confirmed
before
Marriage.



Holy Orders:

If you have ever considered a Vocation to the Priesthood / Deaconate, please speak to Fr John.



Last Rites:

If there is ever the danger of death, please contact Fr John immediately.



Confession Times:

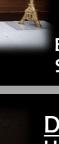
30mins before every Mass & 5pm on Saturdays 6pm on Tuesday 11.00am on Fridays Or by appointment



Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament:

Tuesday 6pm Friday 11.00am Saturday 5pm

Benediction: 5:45pm on Saturdays



Devotions:

Holy Rosary: Wed after Mass

Fri 11:30am
First Friday: Every first
Friday



Family Catechesis:

Learn about our faith as a family.... Every two weeks at 10am on Saturday mornings



Adult Formation

Tuesday evenings are given over to Adult formation.

The homily during Mass is in an extended form (looking more closely at the previous Sunday's Gospel) and then after Mass there is a formation session aimed at exploring the fundamental elements of our Catholic faith.

Opposite is an overview of the topics that we will be covering.

EVERYONE is welcome to attend as much or as little as they like.

The session after Mass begins at 7:45pm and ends at 8:30pm.

Even if you cannot make a weekly commitment, come along when you can!

October

- What is God?
- What is Man?
- Original Sin: The separation between God and Man

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- Covenants between God and Man
- Jesus Christ True God and True Man

November

- The Immaculate Conception
- Two types of Grace
- The Saints
- Purgatory

December

- Advent: What is it?
- The Eucharistic Prayer
- Transubstantiation
- The Sacraments

January

- The Epiphany and Christmastide
- The presentation of the Lord
- Jesus' Public Ministry

February

- The Church
- Membership and Precepts
- Lent: what is it?
- Repentance and Penance

March

- The Sacrament of Confession
- Virtues and Vices
- The 10 Commandments and an examination of conscience
- The Sacred Triduum Easter and Eastertide

Parish Bank Details:

Account Name: Sort Code: Account Number: PRCDTR BORDON SACRED HEART 30-93-04 01755138

Month dedicated to the Holy Name of Jesus

JANUARY 2024									
S	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat			
	New Year's 1 Day: Mary Mother of God 10am	2 Mass at 10am	3 Mass at 10am	+	First Friday Sacred Heart Devotion	6 Feast of the Epiphany			
7 Feast of the Epiphany	Fortnightly 8 Bible Study begins	First Adult 9 Formation of 2024	10	1-1 Santo Niño de Cebú Novena	12	First Holy 13 Communion session			
1	5	Adult Formation	7. ************************************	. 18	19	20 New baptism preparation sessions			
21 Confirmation Session	22 Fortnightly Bible Study	23 Adult Formation	A STATE OF THE STA	25	26	First Holy 27 Communion session			
28	29	Adult Formation	31		Candlemas / Presentation of the Lord	42 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1			



The Season of Christmastide

'Times' and 'Seasons'

Although in the Liturgy we begin 'Ordinary Time' on the Sunday after the feast of Epiphany we actually remain in the season of 'Christmastide' until Candlemas (Or the Presentation of the Lord) which is celebrated on 2nd February. During this Mass all the candles used in the church throughout the year will be blessed and made holy. We process into the church carrying the Light of Christ into His temple, just as He was carried in and presented by St Jospeh and the Blessed Virgin Mary to God the Father. The Nativity Scene / Crib and decorations will remain in the church until the end of Christmastide, 2nd February.

Saturday 30 th Dec Feast of the Holy Family	Joyful Mysteries	Dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary
Adoration:	5:00pm – 5:45pm	
Confessions:	5:00pm – 5:45pm	
Holy Mass:	6:00pm	Private Intention
Confessions:	after Mass	

Sunday 31 st Dec Feast of the Holy Family	Glorious Mysteries	Dedicated to the Resurrection
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Holy Mass: 10:00am People of the Parish

Christmas Mass times

<u>Christmas Eve</u> :	Family Mass	-5:30pm- 🦠
	Carols by candlelight	-11:30pm
	-Midnight Mass	-Midnight
Christmas Day:	Holy Mass	-10:00am
26 th Dec	St Stephen's Day	-10:00am
27 th Dec	St John's Day	-10:00am
28 th Dec	Holy Innocents	-10:00am
29 th Dec	St Thomas Becket	-10:00am
30 th Dec	Holy Family	6:00pm 🚽
31st Dec	Holy Family	10:00am
1 st Jan	Mary, Mother of God	10:00am
2 nd Jan	St Bazil the Great	10:00am 🕺
3 rd Jan	Most Holy Name of Jesus	10:00am
5 th Jan	twelfth night	10:00am
6 th Jan	Feast of the Epiphany	6:00pm
7 th Jan	Feast of the Epiphany	10:00am

Father John and Deacon Kim wish you and your families a very happy Christmas and every blessing in the New Year 2024!

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