

Saturday	30 Dec	9.00 am 5.30 pm	No Mass Mass	Dursley Nympsfield
Sunday	31 Dec	8.30 am 10.30 am	Mass Mass	Dursley Dursley
Monday	1 Jan	9.00 am.	Mass Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God	Dursley
Tuesday	2 Jan	7.00 pm	Mass	Dursley
Wednesday	3 Jan	9.00 am	Mass	Dursley
Thursday	4 Jan	10.00 am ?	Mass Requiem Mass for Jadwiga Pacula	Convent, N'field. Dursley
Friday	5 Jan	7.00 pm	Mass	Dursley
Saturday	6 Jan	9.00 am 5.30 pm	Mass Mass <i>Joseph Powell, RIP</i>	Dursley Nympsfield
Sunday	7 Jan	8.30 am 10.30 am	Mass Mass	Dursley Dursley

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Reconciliation: FRIDAY 6.00 - 6.30 pm and SATURDAY 3.30 - 4.00 pm at Dursley; SATURDAY 5.00 pm at Nympsfield; or by arrangement.

Refreshments in the church hall after the 10.30 am Mass every Sunday.

Feast of the Holy Family

Entrance Antiphon

The shepherds went in haste, and found Mary and Joseph,
and the Infant lying in the manger.

Responsorial Psalm

He, the Lord, is our God. He remembers his covenant for ever.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! 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. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon

Our God has appeared on earth, and lived among us.

PLEASE PRAY FOR the repose of the souls of those who have died recently and for those whose anniversaries are at this time; Jadwiga Pacula, Clementina Tywunka, and for the SICK & HOUSEBOUND of our Parish: G. Dessi, Attracta Rosser, Maire Dykes, V. Festa, Paula Mackie, Mary Phillipott, Maura Fairhurst, Michael Iatalese, Sally Hayward, Frances Hanley, Bobby Milczarczyk, Thomas Simonet, Geraldine Donnelly, Zella Courtney, John Lissenden, Maureen Hebron, Chris Keith, Christopher Browne, Mary Molloy, Sophie Say.

Diocesan Prayer Link: St Margaret Mary, Coleford, Our Lady of Victories, Cinderford, Our Lady of Lourdes, Newent.

Churches Together Prayer Rota St James the Great.

Finance Dursley £146.05 Nympsfield £140.20

Pastoral letter

Copies of Bishop Declan's Pastoral Letter are available at the back of church.

Liturgical diaries

Copies of the Diocesan Liturgical Diary for 2018 are now on sale, price £6 each.

Future fundraising

Dates for your new diaries:

Sat 24th February 7.30pm Parish Quiz

Sunday 18th March 12noon Lent Lunch

Parish Pastoral Council

There are two vacancies on St Dominic's Parish Pastoral Council. Please let Father Philip have nominations by the second week in January. The role of the Council is to work with the Parish Priest on identifying our long term goals for development. Next year we shall be looking at the diocesan document on Mission and what it might mean for us.

St Dominic's Parish charity

We have received two nominations for 2018. They are: **Listening Post**, a counselling service for adults living in Gloucestershire who suffer emotional and psychological distress and the other is: **The Tallinding Project** which started as an effort to help with the building of a Nursery School in the area known as Tallinding, which is part of Serrekunda, the largest town in The Gambia, West Africa.

Voting slips are at the back of the church, please cast your vote by Sunday 21st of January.

Cafod

Chris Bain, Director of CAFOD, will be speaking at Holy Family Church, Patchway, Bristol BS34 5DP on Wednesday 31 January (7.00 pm - 8.30 pm). Hear about CAFOD's work in Zimbabwe. There will be other CAFOD speakers in our diocese during Lent. Booking is essential as space is limited; email Liz on ebaldwin@cafod.org.uk or call 01179 428 328.

White Flower Appeal

We shall be holding this appeal on the weekend of 14 January for the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children.

Water Project

Our Confirmation candidates have now achieved their goal of celebrating their Confirmation by raising £750 to buy a Community Water Project through Cafod World Gifts - in fact they raised £893.08 so were also able to buy safe water supplies for four families. The initial cake sale raised £177 and Christmas sales raised £100 in Nympsfield and £196.08 in Dursley. In addition there were many very generous gifts from groups and individuals. Thank you all very much for your amazing support!

Catholic Education:

Do you support Catholic schools and right of Catholic parents to send their children to them? Then we need you to make your voice heard. The Government is making a critical decision on whether to overturn the admissions cap which prevents Catholic schools from allowing all Catholic pupils to attend. They have acknowledged that this policy discriminates against Catholics and promised to abandon it. Ask them not to do a U-turn on this promise, which was a manifesto commitment in 2017 to give priority to Catholics in Catholic schools. Visit <http://catholicnews.org.uk/> or search for 'Catholic Education' in your search engine to write to the Government and urge them to drop their policy which bans new Catholic schools.

Father Philip thanks you for all your Christmas cards, offerings and good wishes.