

Saturday	29 Dec	9.00 am 5.30 pm	No Mass Mass	Dursley Nympsfield
Sunday	30 Dec	8.30 am 10.30 am	Mass Mass	Dursley Dursley
Monday	31 Dec	9.00 am	No Mass	Dursley
Tuesday	1 Jan	7.00 pm	No Mass	Dursley
Wednesday	2 Jan	9.00 am	No Mass	Dursley
Thursday	3 Jan	10.00 am	No Mass	Convent, Nympsfield
Friday	4 Jan	7.00 pm	Mass	Dursley
Saturday	5 Jan	9.00 am 5.30 pm	Mass Mass	Dursley Nympsfield
Sunday	6 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 of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Entrance Antiphon

The shepherds went in haste, and found Mary and Joseph and Jesus lying in a manger

Responsorial Psalm

They are happy who dwell in your house, O Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! Alleluia! Open our heart, O Lord, to accept the words of your Son. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon

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

PLEASE PRAY for the souls of Penny Wride, Jean Harper and Peter Crowley, and all others who have died recently, and for those whose anniversaries are at this time. PLEASE PRAY also for the sick and housebound of the Parish.

Diocesan Prayer Link: Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Chippenham.
Churches Together Prayer Rota: Dursley Tabernacle.

<u>Finance</u>	Dursley £300.36	Nympsfield £90.60
<u>Church Decorations</u>	£37.30	

Welcome.

This week-end we once again welcome Canon Thomas Atthill to celebrate our week-end Masses.

Thank You.

Fr Phillip would like to thank all those who have given him cards, gifts and offerings this Christmas, and wishes you all every blessing for the coming year.

Year of Prayer

It is prayer that gives life and strength to our mission. As we begin to listen again to Luke's Gospel, Bishop Declan asks us all to reflect on how we can become more and more a people who meet Jesus in the liturgy and in personal prayer.

Jesus tells us that God is reaching out to us. Prayer is what springs up in our hearts when we respond to his call. So it is about listening as well as talking - 'an intimate conversation'.

First Holy Communion

Application forms are available at the back of the church for those wishing to be considered for preparation for First Holy Communion and Reconciliation next year. We shall soon be contacting those who have returned them to arrange a meeting after school on a Wednesday afternoon at St Joseph's School, Nympsfield, in the New Year.

Men's Group (aka Saints and Sinners).

Our next meeting will be on Friday 11 January for 7 pm Mass and refreshments afterwards. All welcome.

Apostleship of the Sea

The AoS have sent a message thanking all those who knitted woolly hats for seamen. They have gone all over the world! Furthermore they have been praised for their quality. More hats would be gratefully received, so keep knitting... and thank you.

Foodbank News.

This year's food collection at Tesco's in Cam and Dursley amounted to 3.4 tonnes, with £400 raised. 450 hampers will go out to people nominated by referrers. Christmas Cards made by Beth Whittaker raised over £1,000; Dursley Fireworks donated over £2,000, and Stroud Brewery donated money from the sale of their new brew Melba Ale. Many thanks to all of you who contributed in any way.

White Flower Appeal

We shall be holding a White Flower Appeal over the weekend of 12-13 January for the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children. Such appeals make a big material contribution to SPUC's urgent life-saving work. Please keep this work in your prayers during the Christmas season.

Prinknash Abbey Talks and Retreat Days.

Saturday 5 January 3 to 4pm in the Abbey Chapel – Divine Mercy Prayers and Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament. Contact Ann on annaspinall@virginmedia.com or see notices in porch for further events.

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