# PARISH OF THE SACRED HEART AND ST.MARGARET MARY, EAST DEREHAM, NORFOLK

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## DECEMBER 30<sup>th</sup> 2012: FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

**Sunday Masses** 

Saturday 6.0pm Int. +John and Ivy Jones 9.0am Int. For the People Sunday

11.0am Int. + Christopher

Hamilton-Gray, P.

Weekday Masses

Monday SEVENTH DAY OF THE

CHRISTMAS OCTAVE

10.0am Int.

Tuesday SOLEMNITY OF MARY,

MOTHER OF GOD

10.0am Int.

Wednesday ST.BASIL & ST.GREGORY

9.0am Int.

Thursday **CHRISTMAS FERIA** 

No services today

**CHRISTMAS FERIA** Friday

10.0am Int. Our Confirmation Candidates

Saturday CHRISTMAS FERIA

10.30am Int.

6.0pm Int. For the People

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday Noon and 5.30pm, or by appointment.

Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed

Sacrament

Tuesday 10.45am; Benediction at 11.0am.

The Rosary Friday 10.30am

The Divine Office

The Office is said a quarter of an hour before the Mass on Weekdays. This week we use Psalter Week 1

The Mass today

The readings can be found on p.105 of the Parish Mass Book, and on p.105 of The Sunday Missal.

At the 6.0pm Mass **Eucharistic Prayer 1** 

Sanctus & Benedictus Schubert

Hymns (Angelus) 128, 152 At the 9.0am Mass **Eucharistic Prayer 3** 

Sanctus & Benedictus Schubert 138, 128, 154 Hymns

At the 11.0am Mass **Eucharistic Prayer 2** 

Gloria Sacred Heart Sanctus & Benedictus Schubert

Words overleaf, 128, 138 (Angelus)137 Hvmns

The Psalm Response for all of the Masses is

printed at the bottom of the page.

This Sunday the quarter-hour Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament before Mass will precede the 9.0am Mass. Next Sunday, it will take place before the 11.0am Mass.

#### THIS WEEK

Monday No Queen of Peace Prayer Group today, it being New Year's Eve.

**Tuesday** 10.0am Mass of the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God; it is New Year's Day, and the Altar is the best place to begin a New Year.

Wednesday 11.0am The monthly Service at Oak Manor.

6.30pm The Altar Servers leave the Presbytery for a visit to the Pantomime at the Theatre Royal, Norwich.

Friday 7.0pm-8.30pm The Confirmation

Group meets at the Presbytery.

(No First Friday Holy Hour: this is suspended until at least after Easter, due to lack of support.)

### PARISH NOTICEBOARD

Anniversaries Alda Dias (2009), Catherine Rolfe (2007), Robert Clark (1999), Eira Whitehouse (2007), PatriciaGravestock (2007), John Doherty (2010), Bernard Warwick, Deacon, (2001), and Matthew Murphy (2009). R.I.P. (A reminder that deceased parishioners names usually appear here until twenty years after their death, but if you would like the name of a parishioner to appear whose death was previous to 1993, please tell me. Also if a name fails to appear which should appear, again please tell let me know.)

**Money Matters** Last Sunday, £511.37 was given at the Offertory.

**The Church at Christmas** looked as delightful as ever, and we are most grateful to Jan Duffied, Janice Tinney, the Cox Family, and Brian Moran for their work in making it so.

**Thank you** Fr.John was most grateful for all the cards and presents which arrived at the Presbytery. Thank you all so much for your thoughtfulness.

Congratulations to Andrew and Julia Rogerson, who have recently become grand-parents: Seraphim and Scarlett are the twin daughters of Chad – whom some of you, I know, remember as an Altar boy here – and his wife Saskia.

**SVP First Friday Coffee Morning** Elaine Wilkes writes 'The next SVP First Friday Coffee Morning will be taking place on Friday, January 4thh, from 10.45am – all are invited. Whether you're joining us from Mass or on your way to or from shopping in town, do please pop in for a welcome cuppa!'

#### THE HOLY FAMILY

I was a little taken aback to read in the newspaper a day or two before Christmas, that the average family has four 'rows' in the course of each Christmas Day! If true, how very sad, because rows and the like don't make anyone happy – rather they end up with everyone feeling miserable and out of sorts.

Clearly we need to learn from the Holy Family,

and it is good for us to do so on this feast. The Holy Family, Jesus, Mary and Joseph didn't 'have it easy' as we say. In the past few days we've heard of them lodging in a stable, and making a long journey as refugees on account of Herod's persecution. But they were bound together by mutual love and respect, and they were centred upon obedience to the will of God. They were free, moreover, from selfishness and self-seeking. Maybe families today need to consider these things, and imitate the Holy Family.

### **NEW CAROL FOR CHRISTMAS 2012**

I've told you before about my friend Timothy Dudley-Smith, the retired Anglican Bishop of Thetford (and writer of the ever-popular hymn *Tell out my soul the greatness of the Lord*) who each year writes a new carol, and has it printed on his Christmas card. This year was no exception, and I thought it might be nice if we sang the latest carol at the 11.0am Mass today.

Ring out the bells! The Promised One has come at last to birth: our God has sent his only Son to share the life of earth.

Creation's long-awaited King within a manger lies: such songs as only angels sing with glory fills the skies.

The shepherds hasten through the night forsaking field and fold, and in the stable-lantern's light the Lamb of God behold.

Those watchers of the stars that shine the Magi from afar bring treasures for a King divine, their Bright and Morning Star.

But how could seers and shepherds know that star would never set? The child who came so long ago is with his people yet.

So hear what bells and angels say, and tell their news abroad: to us is born on Christmas Day a Saviour, Christ the Lord!