

## **BAPTISM OF THE LORD – Sunday 8th January 2023**

**Prayer for Ukraine** ( from the Bishops 'Conference ) *"Mary, Our Lady of Kiev, Mother of God, We ask you to intercede for the people of Ukraine, For their government and all who suffer as a result of war. Be with them as you stood beside your Son, Suffering on the Cross at Calvary. Give them strength and courage, Through faith, hope and justice. May we, in our turn, Support them through prayer and generosity, That lives may be saved, the injured healed, that the dead may rest in peace, And that war will end in peace"*.

**Mass Intentions this Sunday** ( 8<sup>th</sup> January - Baptism of the Lord ) **Saturday** 4-00 p.m. ( St. John Kemble ) Parish & People; ( St. Joseph's ) 6-00 p.m. Ann Hanford (RIP) ( The Family ); **Sunday** 10-30 a.m. Start Michael (RIP) ( BP and family ).

**Weekday Mass Intentions:** No weekday Mass this week. Thursday (12<sup>th</sup>) **St. Joseph's Cathedral** – Requiem Mass for Pope Benedict XVI at 12 noon ( Main celebrant - Archbishop Mark ).

**Mass Intentions next Sunday** (15th January 2023) **Saturday** 4-00 p.m. ( St. John Kemble) Parish & People; (St. Joseph's) 6-00p.m. John & Mary Woolcock (RIP) ( Pat, Donie & family );. **Sunday** 10-30 a.m. Elaine Clement(RIP) ( Helen Williams ).

**Readers:** **This Sunday** ( 8<sup>th</sup> January) 6-00 p.m Patrick McAteer; 10-30 a.m. Bethan Lee. **Next Sunday** (15<sup>th</sup>) 6-00 p.m. Sian Loynes; 10-30 a.m. Tommy Parel.

**Candles:** Sacred Heart – Alma Elias ( RIP); Our Lady – Baby Alaia Lisa Hill (RIP); St. Joseph – Jacki Jaynes (RIP).

**Anniversaries:** Of your charity, remember in prayer those whose anniversaries occur at this time; Michael O'Connor (2007); Eileen Williams (2016); Richard Watkins (2001); Walden Rees (2003); William Leo Linney (2019); Catherine Smith (2006); Alice Francis (2009); Betty Palfrey (2004); *Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, And let light perpetual shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.*

**Baptism.** Please remember Tommy John Higgins in your prayers who will be baptised into the Church next Sunday.

**Parish Guild Meeting** – This Monday ( 9<sup>th</sup>) at 2-00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

**Many thanks** for the many cards and presents and for the very generous Christmas collection. It is very kind of you to remember me and very much appreciated. ( Fr. Neil ).

**Parish Coffee Morning** – Thursday from 10-00 – 11-00 a.m.

**Last Sunday's Collection:** St. Joseph's £401-21 ( plus DD ); St. John Kemble £47-00. Many thanks. Second Collection next Sunday – White Flower Appeal - the annual collection in support of the SPUC ( Society for the Protection of the Unborn Child ).

**The Sick and Housebound** Please continue to remember in your prayers all those who are sick and housebound, those in hospital and in our local care homes. Especially at this time, Kathryn Woolley ( Glynneath), Jane Boland, George Johnson, Nancy Morris, Cheryl Ford, Jason Saunders, Stephen Saunders, Julie Saunders, Yolanda Jones, Elizabeth Fluck, Lorna and Joe O'Brien, Betty Hopkins, Rose Williams, Margaret Jeffrey, Marion Brocksopp., Marlene John, Geraint Jones. If you would like others to be remembered in this prayer list (with their permission) please supply their names.

**Fr. Neil** It has been decided that a 6-week course of further treatment is required. Thank you for your prayers.

**S.P.U.C. National Prayer Campaign.** 27<sup>th</sup> October to 27<sup>th</sup> April. " 10 Million prayers " to mark the 55<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Abortion Act, remember the 10 million lives lost in Britain since 1967 and to unite in prayer and build together a Culture of Life. **Please take with you the Sixth in the series of the prayer cards, " Prayer to St. Joseph for Fathers " and join with this national prayer campaign.**

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