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*Holy Michael, Archangel, defend us in the hour of battle,
be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil*

SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS

1/2 JANUARY 2022

Mass Times and Intentions for the week:

Saturday	6.00pm	Fr Desmond Baker RIP	Mary, Mother of God
Sunday	9.30am	Int of Baird & Vomela Fam (RB)	
Monday	9.30am	No Mass today	The Most Holy Name of Jesus
Tuesday	9.30am	Holy Communion Service	
Wednesday	9.30am	No Mass today	
Thursday	9.30am 10-11am	Jean Shand RIP Adoration	The Epiphany of the Lord
Friday	9.30am	No Mass today	
Saturday	6.00pm	People of Parish	

Reconciliation: Saturday 5.15 – 5.45pm, Wednesday after Mass and on request.

Please pray for parishioners and loved ones who are sick: Nellie May, Darcey Wadey, Robert Gibson, Pat and Ken Richardson, Kate Hutcheson, Tom Harley, Yvonne Henwood, Bob Hutchison, Peter Bone, Neil Thomas, Seamus Lardner, Joan Nixon, Gerard Duarte Buades, Andrea McManus, Helen Gair, Barbara Wakefield, Teresa B, Peter Goldsworthy, Anne Jewson, Len Argent, Simon Moora, Jo-Ann Hudson, David McDonald, David Ryan, Ann O'Toole, Joan Worthington, John McGrath, Val Romanchek, Bill Romanchek, Mary Wilson, Pat Fitzpatrick, Tim Mulvihill, Chris Clark, Janet Stephens, Terry Kilgallon.



For those who have died recently: Jacqui Ingram, Helen Kennedy, Margaret Lambe, Dulce Dare, Jean Shand, Fr Desmond Baker, Philip Bennett, Fr Robert Ellis, Malcolm Pelling, Jane Melhuish, Margaret Scurry, Lauren White, Joan Dorrian, Fr David Irwin, Anne O'Halloran, Cathy Stayne, Rita Carr **and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Brian Parton, Adelina & Peter Francis, Philomena Lorain Francis, Gabriel Ogeyluis, Constance Mills, Mary Pollard, Ronald Hutchinson, Christopher Woodley, Gertie Pollard, Mary Gaffney, Philomena Landen, Muriel McCabe.

Thank you for your great generosity last weekend

LIVE STREAMING OF MASSES

Our regular weekday and weekend Masses are being Live Streamed and Recorded. These are available for 7 days on our YouTube channel [St Michael's Catholic Church Worthing](#).

Please note that you will appear in the live stream/recording if you are serving on or stand on the sanctuary/altar at any time or sit in

the benches behind the reader's lectern. Please ensure you give consent for any children visible in the recording by signing a parental consent form which can be found in the entrance foyer and on our [website](#). Please hand completed forms to Father Chris. (*Communion not recorded*)

WELCOME TO ST MICHAEL'S

From 10/12/21 it is **mandatory to wear a face covering** (both nose and mouth) when attending church. We shall be leaving doors open to allow good ventilation so please wrap up warm! Additionally, please:

- use the hand sanitizer as you enter and leave,
- scan the QR code or provide your contact details for NHS Test and Trace,
- stay at home if you are feeling unwell or displaying symptoms of Covid-19,
- take regular lateral flow tests and before mixing.

We will continue to have collection baskets at the entrance for your donations, together with our contactless donation device. Seating in our Hall area remains a socially distanced safe space. *We thank you for continuing to exercise caution and observing this guidance to make our Parish Community as safe as possible.*

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR GOOD WISHES

Fr Chris and Deacon Mark continue to wish you a peaceful and joyful Christmas time and every blessing for the New Year, as we celebrate the Second Sunday of Christmas this weekend. May the Lord bless us and protect our families this New Year with his Spirit. Thank you again very much for all your cards, and gifts and good wishes and for all you do, and for all your help and support during 2021 and for very generous Christmas Offerings.

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



On Thursday we celebrate the Feast of the Epiphany as God reveals his Presence to all on earth, as the wise men journey from the East led by the Star of Bethlehem to the Infant King of the Jews. We very warmly welcome Fr John who is kindly supplying our Mass on Thursday and the Masses over the weekend.

PREPARING WITH POPE FRANCIS FOR THE SYNOD 2023

Following on from the call of Pope Francis and Bishop Richard for parishioners to engage in the preparations for the Synod in 2023 to assist Pope Francis and the Bishops in their work for the good of the whole Church, parishioners may contribute as individuals. To do this print off the questions from the *Participant and Group Leaders' Guide* which can be found at <https://www.abdiocese.org.uk/synod> and return them through the Parish Office by the end of January, or complete the online form.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION 2022

If your child is in Year 3 or above and would like to make their First Holy Communion in 2022, or in Year 10 or above and would like to be Confirmed in 2022, please email your details to the Parish Office.

REACHING THE UNREACHED - RTU - THANK YOU SO MUCH

Dear Friends, greetings to you this Christmas. Our Lady gave birth to Jesus in a humble manger with Joseph by her side. Those we care for at RTU also have little. They are the children born into poverty. The children who are disabled and shunned. The children who are orphans. The children whose families are too poor to feed them. The children who are not wanted. My heartfelt gratitude for your kind support comes together with that of all those who work with me and from all who benefit from your concern and generosity here at RTU and those we reach out to in the rural areas we serve. Our joy this Christmas is having the children safe and back with us again after this long pandemic

lockdown. Thank you for your kindness and support in helping us to reach out to those in need during these pandemic times. We wish you a Joyous Christmas and a Grace-filled and healthy New Year 2022. May God bless you all. Yours fraternally Fr J Antony Paulsamy, OFM Cap Director

CAFOD- AFGHANISTAN CRISIS APPEAL

CAFOD is combining efforts with the DEC to launch the Afghanistan Crisis Appeal. In Afghanistan, 8 million people are on the brink of famine because of drought, collapsing economy, food shortages, conflict, and COVID. CAFOD is supporting sister Caritas agencies to reach communities most in need with food, clean water, and fuel. During Advent, when we open ourselves to the needs of others, let's do all that we can to save lives. You can donate on the CAFOD website:

cafod.org.uk/AfghanistanAppeal and please pray for the people of Afghanistan.

A SLIDE PRESENTATION OF MARIAN APPARITIONS IN THREE COUNTRIES BY DR DOMINIC RAJKUMAR

We warmly welcome Dr Dominic Rajkumar and his family, new parishioners to St Michael's. Dr Dominic has recently joined the Lime Tree Surgery as a GP and has very kindly offered to make a slide presentation of the Marian Apparitions in three countries at coffee time after the 9.30am Mass which is now replanned for February.

GOLDEN EGG – Time to Renew for 2022

Subscriptions for 2022 are due at the end of December and it would be great if we could reach, or even pass, the magic 125 for next year. If you are already a member, please do stay with us. Due to Covid we reached 112 members this year, which I feel is an excellent result, please stay with us or join us again.

The lifeblood of Our Golden Egg are its Members without you we cannot raise the much needed money for St Michaels. You all helped support St Michaels and the members won £700 in prize money. The annual cost stays at only £12. This gives you nine chances to win the **monthly £50 prize**, whilst in April, August, and December, it's a magnificent **£100**. If you are 'not in it', you cannot 'win it'.

If you haven't yet given it a try, or are a 'lapsed' Golden Egger, why not join us? After all, it is a mere £1 a month but, with so many members, it really does help to support your church.

More so this year we need to attract new members.

To renew or join, pick up a form in the church foyer or download from the website:

www.stmichaels-worthing.org.uk/parishlife/supportourparish If you have any questions please contact Sheila Padwick by email: sheilapadwick@gmail.com or telephone 01903 600071.

Thanking you in anticipation, Sheila

CRIB OFFERING 2021

This Christmas our Crib Offering will be donated to the Catholic Children's Society's A&B Crisis Fund. Every single penny donated to the Crib will provide direct support to local children and families in A&B who are facing a crisis in their lives. You can donate at the Crib or via the CCS website www.cathchild.org.uk/crib

RETIRING COLLECTION

There is no retiring collection this weekend or next weekend.

