

CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION HAINAULT

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THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

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The Solemnity of the Epiphany celebrates the universality of the Church and her missionary vocation. The Church rejoices today because "the true light that enlightens every man" (*John 1:9*) has been manifested to all peoples.

Like Mary, she rejoices to see persons of every race, nation and culture enter the humble cave of Bethlehem to adore the Son of God. At the same time, increasingly she realizes how urgent it is to be "light" to spread the saving message to every people. The missionary mandate is for all believers, called to proclaim and witness to the mystery of salvation that was realized in the Incarnation, Death and Resurrection of Christ.

Today Eastern Churches, such as the Russian Orthodox, and the ancient Oriental Churches such as the Coptic, Ethiopian and Armenian celebrate Christmas. Our best wishes go to them and the assurance of continuing prayer. May the celebration of the coming of the Word of God among men be the source of new spiritual vigour, of new spiritual strength of communion among us, who recognize him as Lord and Saviour. May it be a source of joy in proclaiming him to the people of our time.

May the heavenly Mother of God, who holds on her knees the Wisdom of the Father, obtain for Christians the gift of full communion and peace. Through her intercession, may the life giving light of the mystery of the Birth of our Lord enlighten every person of good will.

Pope St John Paul II (Angelus 2002)

THE ANGELUS

As is now our custom, the Angelus is said at the beginning of the 6.00pm Mass on Saturdays and the 12noon Mass on Sundays. The text of the prayer can be found in the Parish Mass Books on page 2 (opposite the Table of Contents).



TEA & COFFEE

are served in the Parish Hall after the 10.00am Mass every Sunday. Please come along, even if only for a few minutes, to meet and chat with your fellow parishioners.

THIS MONDAY:

10.00am Mass followed by Novena Prayers
6.30pm Mass (1962 Missal)

THE LEGION OF MARY meets this Thursday at 7.00pm

Eucharistic Adoration this Friday

(the First Friday of January - transferred)

10.00am Mass
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
ending with Benediction at 11.00am

Come, let us worship!

Intention: Vocations to the Priesthood – our Diocesan Seminarians



HAINAULT CATHOLIC CLUB LTD:

Membership renewal now due: £8. Concessions £2.

THE ANNUAL WHITE FLOWER APPEAL organised by the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children will be held at the end of all Masses next weekend (**13th & 14th January**).

ADVANCE NOTICE: there will be a retiring collection for the work of *Caritas Anchor House* the weekend of **27th / 28th January**. More details nearer the time.

SICK AT HOME OR IN HOSPITAL

If anyone is seriously ill at home or is in hospital, it is most important that a priest be informed so that the sick person may receive the spiritual help of the sacraments. Relatives or friends should inform their parish priest their parish priest and/or the Catholic

chaplain of the hospital (*at King George Hospital, 8590 9026; at Queen's Hospital, 01708 477890 (Helen Miranda); at Whipps Cross Hospital, 8520 5877.*)

GOING INTO HOSPITAL?

I draw your attention to the *Sick Parishioner Care* forms at the back of church. Please take one if you are going to hospital and wish the Catholic chaplain to look after you!

Fr Selvini

MASS INTENTIONS/OFFERINGS

Special envelopes are available at the back of church. If you would like a Mass offered on a *particular anniversary*, please let the Parish Priest know well in advance – the sooner the better! Thank you for your co-operation.

PROCLAMATION OF THE DATE OF EASTER

(following the Gospel on the Solemnity of the Epiphany)

Know, dear brethren, that, as we have rejoiced at the Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ, so by leave of God's mercy we announce to you also the joy of his Resurrection, who is our Saviour.

UPDATE!

On the 14th day of February will fall Ash Wednesday, and the beginning of the fast of the most sacred Lenten season.

On the 1st day of April, you will celebrate with joy Easter Day, the Paschal feast of our Lord Jesus Christ.

On the 10th day of May will be the Ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ.

On the 20th day of May, the feast of Pentecost.

On the 31st day of May, the feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. *

On the 2nd day of December, the first Sunday of the Advent of our Lord Jesus Christ, to whom is honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

* transferred to the following Sunday in England and Wales.

Mass Intentions for week beginning 6th January 2018

Sat 6	THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD	6.00pm	Victor Housden RIP (<i>anniv.</i>)
Sun 7		10.00am 12noon	The People of the Parish Aldo & Zelinda Poli RIP
Mon 8	THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD	10.00am 6.30pm	Mary Sullivan RIP / Elizabeth Diagbonya RIP <i>followed by</i> Novena Prayers Private Intention (<i>1962 Missal</i>)
Tue 9	Feria (Week 1 – Year 2)	10.00am	Yolanda Dias RIP
Wed 10	Feria	10.00am	January Anniversaries RIP
Thur 11	Feria	10.00am	Teresa Hudson RIP (<i>First Anniv.</i>)
Fri 12	St Aelred of Rievaulx, Ab.	10.00am	Alain Attiale (Pr) RIP (<i>anniv.</i>)
Sat 13	St Hilary, Bp & Dr	9.30am	Mick Martin RIP (<i>month's mind</i>)
Sat 13	2ND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	6.00pm	Joe D'Souza & Piedade Dias RIP
Sun 14		10.00am 12noon	Peter Tighe RIP (<i>anniv.</i>) / Daniel Mekako (<i>birthday</i>) The People of the Parish

Confessions this Saturday 5.30 – 5.45pm

Your prayers are asked for the sick and housebound, especially:

Roland Selvini, Fr Daniel Kulangara, Clare Merrins, Maciej Pogorzelski, Margaret McQueen, Paul Westrop, Bernadette Prudence, Kathleen Newell, John Liddard, Jones Bediako-Antwi-Benneh, Leslie Cook, Trevor Barnham, Ann Dunseath, Christopher Johnstone, Josie D'after, Christina Whiting, Anne Purcell, Ken Stanton, Kathleen Simpson, Pamela Allen, Grace Lobendhan, Marcus Prospert, Eoin Oliver, Peggy Gajewski, Victor Francis, Mary Evelyn Piotrowski, Derek Pyner, Gerald Rowe, Mary Brock, Ann Divine, Ann O'Donovan, Anthony Fonseca, Maria McLoughlin, John Phillips, Mick Martin, Adriano Agatiello, Kay Fahy, Tony Baldwin, Paul Doyle, Susan Coker, Daniel Sutton, Tony Morton, Bernadette Thomas, Jane Anne Harvey, the Kitteridge Family, Maximilian Peluso, Patricia Theobalds, Jean Salter, Terry Eales, Norah Kelly, the residents of Sherrell House, Belmont Lodge and Pinewood.

Mass Attendance last weekend: 331

(New Year's Day: 86)

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Offertory Collection last weekend: £729.78

THE ASSUMPTION, Hainault, is twinned with the Parish of Our Lady of Sorrows, Maria Ratschitz, in the diocese of Dundee, South Africa.