

HOLY MASSES

Sundays: (Saturday evening) Vigil 6.30pm, 7.00, 10.30am & 6 pm

Tuesday – Frid<mark>ay:</mark> 6.30 am Saturdays & Holidays: 7am

Confessions: before and after Masses if possible and by appointment Baptisms:

Call to make an appointment

Online Masses St Dominic Barbados You Tube



Office hours

Monday: 7.30 – 12 Tuesday: 7.30 – 2 pm Wednesday: 7.30 – 12 Thursday: 7.30 – 12, 3-5 Friday: 7.30 – 12 Priests are available during office hours or by appointment

Office is closed: on bank holidays & weekends, and sometimes we may be out of the office. (Please call before coming)

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Metanoía

Gospel

Luke 1: 26—38

The angel Gabriel was sent by God to a town in Galilee called Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man named Joseph, of the House of David; and the virgin's name was Mary. He went in and said to her, 'Rejoice, so highly favoured! The Lord is with you.' She was deeply disturbed by these words and asked herself what this greeting could mean, but the angel said to her, 'Mary, do not be afraid; you have won God's favour. Listen! You are to conceive and bear a son, and you must name him Jesus. He will be great and will be called Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his ancestor David; he will rule over the House of Jacob for ever and his reign will have no end.' Mary said to the angel, 'But how can this come about, since I am a virgin?' 'The Holy Spirit will come upon you' the angel answered 'and the power of the Most High will cover you with its shadow. And so the child will be holy and will be called Son of God. Know this too: your kinswoman Elizabeth has, in her old age, herself conceived a son, and she whom people called barren is now in her sixth month, for nothing is impossible to God.' 1 am the handmaid of the Lord,' said Mary 'let what you have said be done to me.' And the angel left her.

GOSPEL FOR CHRISTMAS

JOHN 1: 1-18

In the beginning was the Word: and the Word was with God and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things came to be, not one thing had its being but through him. All that came to be had life in him and that life was the light of men, a light that shines in the dark, a light that darkness could not overpower. A man came, sent by God. His name was John. He came as a witness, as a witness to speak for the light, so that everyone might believe through him. He was not the light, only a witness to speak for the light. The Word was the true light that enlightens all men; and he was coming into the world. He was in the world that had its being through him, and the world did not know him. He came to his own domain and his own people did not accept him. But to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God, to all who believe in the name of him who was born not out of human stock or urge of the flesh or will of man but of God himself. The Word was made flesh, he lived among us, and we saw his glory, the glory that is his as the only Son of the Father, full of grace and truth. John appears as his witness. He proclaims: 'This is the one of whom I said: He who comes after me ranks before me because he existed before me.' Indeed, from his fullness we have, all of us, received – yes, grace in return for grace, since, though the Law was given through Moses, grace and truth have come through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God; it is the only Son, who is nearest to the Father's heart, who has made him known.



We are a Catholic community committed to welcoming our brothers and sisters, celebrating the Eucharist, receiving the Sacraments, spreading the Good News, passing on our Catholic faith and Traditions, promoting devotion to Divine Mercy and assisting the poor and less privileged in our community. As the National Shrine of Divine Mercy we encourage fuller participation in the Divine Mercy devotions in order to strengthen our Catholic faith, to experience the healing grace and mercy of God and to be merciful to others as Jesus.

Our prayers:

ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL PRAYER

"Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil; May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; And do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust

into hell Satan and all evil spirits who wander through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen."

PRAYER OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI:

"Lord, make me an instrument of your peace; where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; and where there is sadness, joy.

"O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled, as to console; to be understood, as to understand; to be loved, as to love; for it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life." Amen.

Prayer for vocations

Heavenly Father raise up holy vocations to the priesthood, to keep the faith alive and guard the memory of your Son Jesus, through the preaching of His word and the celebration of His Sacraments.

May Your Church sustain seminarians and priests in their vocations so that they may faithfully fulfil their mission at the service of the Gospel.

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Mass Intentions
Dec 24 – JAN 6
Vigil: Sat 6.30 pm: Eli Brooker—Birthday
Sun 7.00 am: for all whose names are on the tree of life—RIP
10.30 am: for Parishioners & Visitors
CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR
VIGIL: 4.00 PM: for parishioners & visitors
6.30 PM: 1. Wendy Hoyos—RIP 2. Special intention
MIDNIGHT:
Mon 10.30 AM: Thomas Alexander Lloyd—RIP
6.00 PM: for all Donors & Benefactors of St. Dominic's Church
Tue 7.00 am: John Taylor—Birthday
Wed 6.30am Marie & Zack Nadur & family
Thur 6.30 am Neville Browne—RIP
Fri 6.30 am for the Souls in Purgatory
Sat 7.00 am
Vigil: Sat 6.30 pm: 1. Anne Batey—RIP 2. Leone Querino—RIP
Sun 7.00 am: for parishioners & visitors
10.30 am: Adrian Fredericks—Birthday 6.00 pm:l Michael Figueira—Birthday
JANUARY 1ST Mon 7.00 AM: Special intention
10.30 AM:
6.00 PM:
Tue 6.30 AM:
Wed 6.30 AM:
Thur 6.30 AM: Fri 6.30 AM:
Sat 7.00 AM:

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Sun 24 VIGIL (Sat 23rd) 6.30 pm, 7am, 10.30am (Sunday Masses) CHRISTMAS DEC 2023

Sun 24 : 4 pm & 6.30pm CHRISTMAS VIGIL MASSES 11.00PM CHRISTMAS CAROLS 12.00 MIDNIGHT MASS

Mon 25 THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

(NO 7.00 AM MASS) CHRISTMAS Solemnity - 10.30am & 6pm

Tue 26 St. Stephen – 7.00 am Mass (Boxing Day)

SUN 31 FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY - Special Blessing for Families

and Individuals after each Mass - Vigil (Sat 30) 6.30 pm, Sun: 7am, 10.30am,

NEW YEAR 2024

Sun 31 Dec: 6pm New Year's Vigil Mass, NO MIDNIGHT MASS Mon 1 Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God -7am, 10.30am, 6pm [Holyday of Obligation] SUN 7 THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD - Blessing of chalk Vigil 6.30pm Sun Mass, 7am, 10.30am, 6pm



