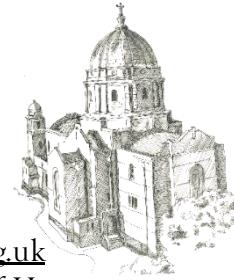




Dome of Home

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Sunday in the Octave of Christmas

28th December 2025 - 4th January 2026

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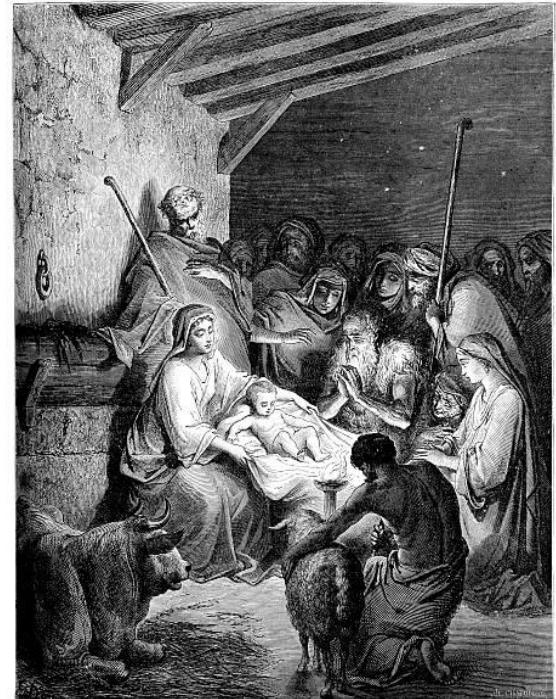
Dear faithful,

We hope you have all had a most blessed and peaceful Christmas. The canons of the Dome of Home are very grateful for the beautiful Masses of the Christmas season and for your profound faith and Catholic spirit. We are indebted to those who have put so much work into making Christmas at the Dome special, especially those who have assisted with our music program, flowers and church decorations, and preparing cards and mailings.

We also wish to thank all of you again for the extraordinary number of Christmas cards, gifts and generous donations. You have been very good to us!

With our appreciation and prayers,

Canons Montjean & Post



This Sunday 28th December: after 8.30am and 10.30am Masses, 2nd collection for the heating of the church and the presbytery.

Thank you very much!

Upcoming liturgical services

✠ **Monday, 29th December**, is the Feast of St. Thomas of Canterbury, which is 1st class in England. The Mass time is as usual.

✠ Adoration & Confession is available at the usual time of **5.30pm** during the week. Come spend some extra time with Our Lord during the holidays.

✠ Note that **New Year's Eve, Wednesday 31st**, there will be a special time of Adoration from **9pm to Midnight**. This is a good opportunity to give thanks to God for the blessings of the year. The *Te Deum*, traditional hymn of thanksgiving, will be sung prior to Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. The faithful who attend may receive a plenary indulgence under the usual conditions.

✠ *The Veni Creator Spiritus*, hymn of invocation to the Holy Ghost, will be sung prior to the Mass of New Year's Day.

✠ Next Sunday is the Feast of the Holy Name of Jesus.

✠ **Tuesday, 6th January** is the Feast of the Epiphany of Our Lord. This is a holy day of obligation in England and Wales. A holy day of obligation entails the same requirement of Mass attendance as a Sunday.

✠ Epiphany House Blessings: see page 2 for more information.

Announcements

✉ **Choir Practices:** on Monday at 7.15pm. **Gregorian Chant Rehearsals:** Every 2 weeks. **Next practice, Monday 29th December.** **Polyphonic Choir Rehearsals:** Every 2 weeks. Please contact Clare Tucker: tuckerrobertson@gmail.com or 0151 639 19 99 / 0771 471 02 75. **Next practice 5th January.**

✉ **Last Sunday Collection:** Loose Plate: £721.10 Boxes: £124.40 Bank transfers: £240.00 Shop £60.96 Heating: £70.00 **Total: £1,216.46** Thank you very much for your continued generosity! If you wish to donate via bank transfer, please use the following: Sort Code: 40-45-14 - Account number: 01805061 - For the credit of ICKSP / SSPPP.

✉ **Piety Shop:** Mass cards, scapulars, medals, rosaries, statues, prayer cards, mantillas, Catholic Bibles and books. New items for Christmas including presents and cards for your family and friends. All profits go to Ss. Peter & Paul and St. Philomena. You can also donate to the Wirral Foodbank and join the Ss PPP 200 Club.

✉ **Donations for refreshments after the 10.30 Mass:** During December we will collect for the Foodbank.

✉ **Apiculæ - Rosaries & Chaplets:** For beautiful handmade rosaries and chaplets, silver, copper, bronze & brass, see Elaine Gibbons. Commissions taken! Contact elaineapiculae@gmail.com or 0151 924 11 78.

✉ **Refreshment after 10.30 Mass:** We are always looking for new volunteers to help set up, serve and clear up after 10.30 Mass refreshments. If you think you could be on a rota every 2/3 weeks, please contact one of the refreshment volunteers!

✉ **Cookbook fundraiser for Saint Benedict's Preston:** The Sister Adorers and family and friends of Saint Benedict's Catholic Education Centre in Preston have made cookbooks to raise funds. Please take one from the back of the church. £10 donation requested. Canon Post is collecting the donations.

✉ **Church Cleaning.** 11-12am every Saturday morning after Mass. Coffee and biscuits afterwards! Please contact Joyce at 07887 580547 if you would like to join us. *Thank you to all who generously give their time to the upkeep of the church.*

Forthcoming events

✉ **Craft Group:** knitting, patchwork, dressmaking, lace making and embroidery. Beginners welcome. Contact: Dorothy McCarthy 07 76 775 26 71. **Next meeting Saturday 7th February 11am - 1pm**

✉ **Adult Catechism:** A new program of adult catechism will be provided in the New Year. Look to upcoming editions of the newsletter for further information.

✉ **First Communion Classes for Children:** The next classes will be held on **3rd January and 10th January.** First communions will take place on **Sunday, 11th January**, the Feast of the Holy Family.

✉ **Epiphany House Blessings:** The Roman Ritual contains three rites for the blessing of a house: one throughout the year, one during Paschaltide, and one for Epiphany. The Epiphany blessing is a particularly solemn blessing in honour of the visit of the Magi to the home of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. The priest sprinkles the house with holy water and incenses it and traditionally marks the threshold with blessed chalk. The rite may be performed from 5th January until 1st February.

Canons Montjean and Post will offer the house blessing during the month to come. Please let us know early if you wish to have your house blessed. Those who make their request earlier and those have never had their house blessed will be given precedence. Due to the diversity of places in which our faithful live, we will seek to group house blessings together by region and area.

Information

✉ **For life matters and helplines:** see <https://lifecharity.org.uk>; for prolife helpline <https://www.goodcounselnet.co.uk> and for abortion recovery see <https://www.rachelsvineyard.org.uk>

Prayers for the Sick: Please keep in your prayers Lottie, Michael, Roisin, Dermot, Eamonn, Sandra, Anne, Patricia, Vera, Lesley, Chris, Andrew, Madeleine, Sarah, John, Kathleen, Olivia, Lynne, Angela, Helen, Stuart, Jacqueline, Lindsey, Edward, Tracy, Mary, Peter Joseph, Janet, Elizabeth, Michael and Donna.

Ordo	Mass	Mass intentions		Devotions	Confessions
		Canon Montjean	Canon Post		
Offer a Mass for your intentions using the Mass Offering envelope (narthex). Write name (living or deceased) or intention. Enclose donation. Place envelope in collection box or give to a Canon. The earliest available date for a Mass at the moment is: 28 th April.				Confessions can also be arranged privately by texting a Canon (see front page)	
Sunday 28 th December Sunday in the Octave of Christmas White	8.30am Low Mass 10.30am Sung Mass	Sister Marie Clune RIP	• Margaret Rushton • Margaret Simpson	4.30pm Vespers, Rosary & Benediction, followed by Compline	9.40am-10.15am
Monday 29 th December St. Thomas à Becket Red	6.30 pm Low Mass	Sister Marie Clune RIP	Joe Fenerty RIP	5.30pm Adoration 6.10pm Benediction	5.30pm-6pm
Tuesday 30 th December 6 th day in the octave of Christmas White	6.30 pm Low Mass	Sister Marie Clune RIP	Dominic McGowan	5.30pm Adoration 6.10pm Benediction	5.30pm-6pm
Wednes. 31 st December 7 th day in the Octave of Christmas (St. Sylvester) White	6.30 pm Low Mass	Sister Marie Clune RIP	Charlie Kirk RIP	9pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Adoration 11.45pm Te Deum and Benediction	5.30pm - 6pm
Thursday 1 st January Octave Day of the Nativity White	6.30 pm Low Mass Preceded by <i>Veni Creator</i>	Sister Marie Clune RIP	Jan Robson	5.30pm Adoration 6.10pm Benediction	5.30pm-6pm
Friday 2 nd January Votive Mass of the Sacred Heart of Jesus White	6.30 pm Low Mass	Sister Marie Clune RIP	Iryna Zarutska RIP	5.30pm Adoration 6.10pm Benediction	5.30pm-6pm
Saturday 3 rd January Votive Mass of the Immaculate Heart of Mary White	10am Low Mass	Sister Marie Clune RIP	Paul Jarmay RIP	9am Adoration 9.40am Benediction	9.00am-9.30am
Sunday 4 th January Feast of the Holy Name of Jesus White	8.30am Low Mass 10.30am Sung Mass	Sister Marie Clune RIP	Jane Scott Ed Jamieson	4.30pm Vespers, Rosary & Benediction, followed by Compline	9.40am-10.15am

THE PENNY CATECHISM

How many Commandments are there?

1. I am Yahweh your God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. You shall have no gods except me. You shall not make yourself a carved image or any likeness of anything in heaven, or on the earth beneath or in the waters under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or serve them.
2. You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.
3. Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.
4. Honour your father and your mother.
5. You shall not kill.
6. You shall not commit adultery.
7. You shall not steal.
8. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.
9. You shall not covet your neighbour's wife.
10. You shall not covet your neighbour's goods.

PROPER of the MASS – First Sunday in the Octave of Christmas

INTROIT *Wisdom 18. 14-15*

While all things were in quiet silence, and the night was in the midst of her course, Thine almighty Word, O Lord, leaped down from heaven from Thy royal throne. Ps. The Lord hath reigned, He is clothed with beauty: the Lord is clothed with strength, and hath girded Himself. V. Glory be to the Father.

COLLECT

O almighty and everlasting God, direct our actions according to Thy good pleasure; that in the Name of Thy beloved Son we may deserve to abound in good works: Who with Thee liveth and reigneth.

EPISTLE *Gal. 4. 1-7*

Brethren, as long as the heir is a child, he differeth nothing from a servant, though he be Lord of all: but is under tutors and governors until the time appointed by the father: so we also, when we were children, were serving under the elements of the world. But when the fullness of the time was come, God sent His Son, made of a woman, made under the law, that He might redeem them who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons. And because you are sons, God hath sent the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying: Abba, Father. Therefore now he is not a servant, but a son; and if a son, an heir also through God.

GRADUAL *Psalm 44. 3, 2*

Thou art beautiful above the sons of men: grace is poured abroad in Thy lips. V. My heart hath uttered a good word, I speak my words to the king: my tongue is the pen of a scrivener, that writeth swiftly.

ALLELUIA

Alleluia, alleluia. V. The Lord hath reigned, He is clothed with beauty: the Lord is clothed with strength, and hath girded Himself with might. Alleluia.

GOSPEL *Luke. 2. 33, 40*

At that time Joseph and Mary the mother of Jesus were wondering at those things which were spoken concerning Him. And Simeon blessed them, and said to Mary His Mother: Behold, this child is set for the fall, and for the resurrection of many in Israel: and for a sign which shall be contradicted: and thine own soul a sword shall pierce, that out of many hearts thoughts may be revealed. And there was one Anna a prophetess, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Aser: she was far advanced in years, and had lived with her husband seven years from her virginity. And she was a widow until fourscore and four years: who departed not from the temple, by fastings and prayers serving night and day.

Music for Sunday, 28th December

Mass setting: Kyriale IV

Communion:

Recessional: O come all ye faithful (382)

Now she, at the same hour, coming in, confessed to the Lord: and spoke of Him to all that looked for the redemption of Israel. And after they had performed all things according to the law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their city, Nazareth. And the Child grew and waxed strong, full of wisdom: and the grace of God was in Him.

OFFERTORY *Psalm 92. 12*

God hath established the world, which shall not be moved: Thy throne, O God, is prepared from of old; Thou art from ever lasting.

SECRET

Grant, we beseech Thee, almighty God, that the offering made in the sight of Thy Majesty may obtain for us the grace of loving devotion, and the reward of a blessed eternity. Through our Lord.

CHRISTMAS PREFACE

It is truly meet and just, right and availing unto salvation that we should at all times and in all places give thanks unto Thee, O holy Lord, Father almighty and everlasting God. Because by the mystery of the Word made flesh the light of Thy glory hath shone anew upon the eyes of our mind: that while we acknowledge Him to be God seen by men, we may be drawn by Him to the love of things unseen. And therefore with angels and archangels, with thrones and dominions, and with all the heavenly hosts, we sing a hymn to Thy glory, saying without ceasing:

COMMUNION *Matthew 2. 20*

Take the Child and His Mother, and go into the land of Israel: for they are dead who sought the life of the Child.

POSTCOMMUNION

By the working of this Mystery, O Lord, may our vices be removed, and our just desires fulfilled. Through our Lord.

