

Irish stew, beans, sausages and curries. Tinned meats such as ham, spam, corned beef. Stock cupboard staples: tinned potatoes, tinned spaghetti, tinned fruit, coffee, jam, peanut butter and custard. Finally, we are always in need of toiletries such as: toilet rolls, shampoo, deodorants, bubble bath, shower gel. On behalf of all the families and individuals in crisis in our community at this time, we would like to thank the congregation of St. Thomas More for your generous donations of food - your ongoing support is much appreciated!

Children's Nativity Mass, Christmas Eve 6.0pm: If your child would like to take part in the Nativity Tableau during the Christmas Eve Mass, please complete a form and return to Nadia Perkins or one of the Children's Liturgy Team. Costume/part allocation will be in the Lady Chapel on 16th December at 11am, with a Nativity rehearsal in the church on the 23rd December at 11am.

Nativity Gifts: Small gifts can be brought to the 6pm Nativity Mass on Christmas Eve, where children will be invited to lay them in front of the Crib. In the last few years these gifts have been given to the Catholic Children's Society, who give support and help to children and families in difficult circumstances.

Last week's collection was £556.69; many thanks for your generosity.

AFTER MASS COFFEE
in the Church Hall
After 10am Mass.
Come and meet
your fellow parishioners



Church cleaning rota wk 17.12.18: Jude Arinze and Chavassea Okeke

Text giving through your mobile phone: type the word "Parish", leave a space, then KNEBW and send that text to 70800. £5 will be added to your mobile phone bill, as a donation, which will come directly to our parish. Thank you!



More Snippets

16th December 2018

3rd Sunday of Advent (Gaudete Sunday)
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SERVICES

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| Sat | 15th | 6.00pm | For the Welfare of the Parishioners |
| Sun | 16th | 8.00am | Special Intention |
| Sun | | 10.00am | Andy Dale RIP (2nd Anniversary) |
| Mon | 17th | 7.15pm | Special Intention |
| Mon | | 7.45pm | Penitential Service |
| Tues | 18th | 9.30am | Intention of David & Irene Jukes |
| Wed | 19th | 9.30am | For the Sick of the Parish |
| Thurs | 20th | 9.30am | Celebration of the Word and Holy Communion |
| Fri | 21st | 9.30am | Intentions of Nan Everett |
| Fri | | 10:00 - 11:00am | Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament |
| Sat | 22nd | 10.00am | Special Intention |
| 4th Sunday of Advent | | | |
| Sat | | 6:00pm | Roger Spencer RIP (Anniversary) John & Mary Holmes RIP (Anniversary) |
| Sun | 23rd | 8.00am | For the Welfare of the Parishioners |
| | | 10.00am | Special Intention |

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Sacrament of reconciliation Sat 5.15-5.45 pm
Holy Rosary and Mothers Prayer After Mon 7.15 pm Mass
Church of St. Thomas More, 72 London Road, Knebworth, SG3 6HB
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Parish Office e-mail: knebworth@rcdow.org.uk
Parish Website: www.knebworthcatholicchurch.org
Facebook: <https://en-gb.facebook.com/knebworthcatholicchurch/>
Prayers for the Faithful, please contact Canon Cronin.

LISTER HOSPITAL CHAPLAIN:

Direct line:- 01438 285138 Via Text Message:- 0788 418 7463
(24/7) Urgent need: 01438 314 333

PRAYER: In your kindness would you please pray for all our sick, lonely and housebound including Mariah Egan, Michael Egan, Agnes Odiachi, Robert Salazar and Marion Prior.

Please, pray for those who have died recently: Fr Michael Lambert, and for all whose anniversaries occur about now: Vincent Columb, Frances Saliba, Winifred Francis, Ellen Waugh, Dorothy Painter and Anne Marie Jakeway.

Penitential Service: We will have a Penitential service this coming Monday 17th December at 7.45pm when Fr Philip will join me to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation for individuals who may wish to avail of it in preparation for Christmas.

Christmas Masses: These are beautifully laid out in the KFC cards which can be found in the porch; you are welcome to take the individual ones and perhaps hand them to friends or Catholics whom you know to be 'resting'.

In summary the Masses are:

Christmas Eve:

6.00pm Children's Mass.

11.30pm Carol Service followed by Midnight Mass

Christmas Day:

8.00am Mass of the Dawn

10.00am Mass of the Day with Carols

Because the Christmas Eve Mass at 6.00pm tends to get particularly crowded you are respectfully asked to attend one of the other Christmas Masses if at all possible. Please also consider the safety aspects of parking your cars and take directions from our stewards. Thank you.

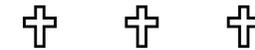
SVP Dinner for our senior friends: I add my sincere thanks to those expressed elsewhere in Snippets.

The 2019 edition of the Westminster Year has now arrived and can be purchased from our Repository priced £4.50. It contains a huge wealth of information about our diocese of Westminster; its parishes, schools, hospitals and much more.

Fr Michael Lambert RIP: as we continue to pray for the repose of his soul, his body will be received into Our Lady's church in Hitchin at 4.30pm on Sunday 16th December followed by Mass at 5.00pm after which there will be time to share memories about him. His Funeral Requiem Mass will be celebrated on Monday 17th December at 11.00am. May he Rest in Peace.

May God Bless you all in every way

Fr. Danny



KFC Christmas Cards: Thank You to everyone who took a bundle of cards; we have now delivered all of our allocation. Don't forget to take a card if you don't live in Knebworth - they contain the details of the services in all of our churches over the Christmas season. You'll find the cards in the porch.

KFC Carol Singing, Thursday 20th December: Come along and sing some favourite carols. We will be starting at Deanscroft at 6.15pm or you could join us at the station at around 6.50pm. Our route will take us along London Road, concluding at Constance Place at 7.30pm. We will be collecting for Crisis.

S.V.P.: We wish to thank all those who helped make the annual S.V.P. lunch for senior citizens such a joyous affair. Cooks, drivers, waiters, cleaners and entertainers all played their part with great generosity. It was wonderful to see young people so willingly involved. We are blessed to have such generous parishioners. The feedback from guests has been overwhelmingly grateful.

Our Community Foodbank: Demand on the Foodbank is high at present, we are in need of the following: tinned meals such as chilli con carne, chicken in white sauce, minced beef & onions,