# **SACRED HEART OF JESUS – NEW YEAR NEWSLETTER**

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**PARISH NEWS**

**Firstly, we wish you all a Happy & Healthy New Year 2022!**

**Important notes:**

Please note that the Holy Day evening Mass on 6th January will be at 7pm!

The week commencing 10th January Fr Graziano is away for his post Christmas break. There are no weekdays masses that week and only a 5pm Satuday Mass on 15th January and one 9am Sunday Mass on 16th January.

**Date for your Diary:**

We will be having another fun, fundraising Bingo night on Saturday 29th Janaury 2022, please make a note in your diary, further details nearer the day.

**Lucky Numbers:**

The last Lucky Numbers draw for 2021 took place last week and the winning numbers were:

1st Place – 123, 2nd Place – 40, 3rd Place – 44, and 4th Place – 11

There is still chance to join and have a chance in winning one of 4 “monthly” cash prizes. It costs just £12 per number, paid annually in advance. All proceeds go to the Church. If you are interested contact MaryAnn in the Parish Office.

Saturday **NEW YEAR’S DAY – 2nd SUNDAY AFTER THE NATIVITY**

1st January 4.30pm Confession

5pm People of the Parish.

Sunday 2nd January 9.30am Priests of the Deanery

11am Holy Souls

Monday 3rd January **NO MASS**

Tuesday 4th January  6pmHoly Souls

Wednesday 5th January 10am Tasila Francesca Zulu R.I.P.

Thursday **EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

6th January 10am Children of the Parish

7pm People of the Parish

Friday 7th January 10am Sabino Poli R.I.P.

Saturday 8th January 4.30pm Confession

5pm People of the Parish.

Sunday **BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

9th January 9.30am Wellbeing of Hazel Wilson

11am Birthday Celebrations “John”

**COVID-19 MEASURES – PLEASE NOTE THAT MOST MEASURES REMAIN IN PLACE**

* Wearing of face coverings is now again required, unless you are unable to for medical reasons.
* Using the “ONE WAY SYSTEM” entering the main front door and leaving by the side door of the church
* Congregational singing is now allowed.
* Sign of the peace is omitted
* Children are not allowed to wander around the church for their own protection and other people’s safety
* Votive candles are available
* Following the Social Distancing rule of 1 metre or more, we can now accomodate 86 people. (The seating areas have green signage).
* We have reintroduced bidding prayers
* The Offertory Procession will be reintroduced when music is available, with those involved sanitising their hands immediately before they touch the sacred vessel or other gifts
* The Holy Communion will continue to be under one kind and the Minister will continue to wear a face covering and it is permitted to announce “the Body of Christ” for each communicant. Communion is recommended to be distributed in the hands, but if people wish to receive on the tongue, then they should wait until the end of the communion line and receive then. Communion on the tongue exposes the ministers’ hands to their aerosol and inccreases the possibility of viral infections. He will have to sanitize his hands again immediately after.

### Second Sunday After the Nativity – Year C

### Entrance Antiphon.

When a profound silence covered all things and night was in the middle of its course,

Your all-powerful Word, O Lord, bounded from heaven’s royal throne.

**In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

**C.** The Lord be with you **All. And with your Spirit**

**All: I confess to almighty God**

**And you my brothers and sisters,**

**That I have greatly sinned,**

**In my thoughts and in my words,**

**In what I have done and in what I have failed to do,**

**through my fault, through my fault,**

**through my most grievous fault;**

**therefore, I ask blessed Mary ever-virgin,**

**all the Angels and Saints,**

**and you my brothers and sisters,**

**to pray for me to the Lord our God.**

**C:** Lord, have mercy. **All:** **Lord, have mercy.**

**C:** Christ have mercy**. All:** **Christ have mercy.**

**C:** Lord, have mercy. **All:** **Lord, have mercy.**

**All: Glory to God in the highest**

**And on earth peace to people of goodwill.**

**We praise you,**

**We bless you,**

**We adore you; we glorify you; we give you thanks for your great glory,**

**Lord God, heavenly King,**

**O God, almighty Father.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,**

**Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the father,**

**You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;**

**You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;**

**You are seated at the right hand of the Father,**

**Have mercy on us.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,**

**You alone are the Lord,**

**You alone are the Most High**

**Jesus Christ,**

**With the Holy Spirit,**

**In the glory of the Father.**

**Amen**

**C:** Let us pray.

**First Reading Ecclesiasticus 24:1-2,8-12**

Wisdom speaks her own praises,

in the midst of her people she glories in herself.

She opens her mouth in the assembly of the Most High,

 she glories in herself in the presence of the Mighty One;

‘Then the creator of all things instructed me,

and he who created me fixed a place for my tent.

He said, “Pitch your tent in Jacob,

make Israel your inheritance.”

From eternity, in the beginning, he created me,

 and for eternity I shall remain.

I ministered before him in the holy tabernacle,

 and thus was I established on Zion.

In the beloved city he has given me rest,

 and in Jerusalem I wield my authority.

I have taken root in a privileged people,

 in the Lord’s property, in his inheritance.’

The word of the Lord.

**Psalm: 94(95):1-2,6-9**

**Response: The Word was made flesh and lived amongst us.**

O praise the Lord, Jerusalem!

Zion, praise your God!

He has strengthened the bars of your gates,

he has blessed the children within you. **R#**

He established peace on your borders,

He feeds you with finest wheat.

He sends out his word to the earth

And swiftly runs his command**. R#**

He makes known to Jacob,

To Israel his laws and decrees.

He has not dealt thus with other nations;

He has not taught them his decrees. **R#**

**Second Reading Ephesians 1:3-6,15-18**

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with all the spiritual blessings of heaven in Christ. Before the world was made, he chose us, chose

us in Christ, to be holy and spotless, and to live through love in his presence ,determining that we should become his adopted sons, through Jesus Christ for his own kind purposes, to make us praise the glory of his grace, his free gift to us in the Beloved. That will explain why I, having once heard about your faith in the Lord Jesus, and the love that you show towards all the saints, have never failed to remember you in my prayers and to thank God for you. May the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, give you a spirit of wisdom and perception of what is revealed, to bring you to full knowledge of him. May he enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you can see what hope his call holds for you, what rich glories he has promised the saints will inherit.

The word of the Lord.

**Gospel Acclamation:**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Glory be to you, O Christ, proclaimed to the pagans;

Glory to you, O Christ, believed in the world. **Alleluia!**

**Priest:** The Lord be with you **All: And with your Spirit.**

**Priest:** A reading from the Holy Gospel according to …. **All: Glory to you, O Lord.**

**Gospel 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.

**Priest:** The Gospel of the Lord **All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, (all bow) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**Liturgy of the Eucharist:**

C: Pray, brethren….

**All: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands**

**for the praise and glory of his name**

**for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

**C**: The Lord be with you **All:** **and with your Spirit**

**C**: Lift up your hearts. **All: We lift them up to the Lord.**

**C:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **All: it is right and just.**

**All: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Lord’s Prayer: Our** **Father**…

**C:** ……. And the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

**All:** **For the kingdom the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.**

**All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.**

**C:** Behold the Lamb of God………………

**All: Lord, I am not worthy**

**that you should enter under my roof,**

**but only say the word**

**and my soul shall be healed.**

**Communion Antiphon:**

To all who would accept him, **Cf. Jn. 1:12**

he gave the power to become children of God..

**C: Let us Pray……….**

**C:** The Lord be with you

**All: And with your Spirit.**

C:May Almighty God bless you,

The Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**All: Amen**

**Priest:** Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.

**All: Thanks be to God.**