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**Newsletter for Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> December 2025 – The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph.**

**Mass Books: Page 106. Psalter: Week 1**

**We pray for** St George's Parish, Norwich, peace in the Holy Land and Ukraine and for the Catholic Community in Prek Toal, Cambodia.

**Times of Mass this week**

**Saturday 6.30 pm,**

**Sunday 9.00 am,**

**11.00 am,**

**Monday 9.30 am, ST THOMAS BECKET**

**Tuesday 9.30 am, Sixth Day of Octave**

**Memorial Acc: We proclaim...**

*Private intention*

*Special intention (D'Souza)*

*People of the Parish*

*Special intention*

*Fr Noel Doyle RIP*

**Wednesday 12.15 pm Seventh Day of Octave**

**Thursday 10.00 am, MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD**

**NEW YEAR'S DAY**

**Friday 12.15 pm, SS Basil & Gregory Nazianzen**

**Saturday 10.00 am, Christmas Feria**

**6.30 pm, (2<sup>nd</sup> of Christmas)**

*Private intention*

*Conor Fahy RIP*

*Private intention*

*Private intention*

*John Seidler RIP*

**TEAS AND COFFEES** in the Parish Rooms after 9.00 and 11.00 am Mass today.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSIONS):** Saturday, 10.30 – 11.00 am or by appointment.

**CRIB OFFERINGS** are again devoted to the Latin Patriarchate of Jerusalem, to support the mission of the Church in the Holy Land.

**NO PARKING AT THE SCHOOL OVER CHRISTMAS** The School authorities informed me before Christmas that the new surface of the school grounds will be assessed after the New Year. In the meantime, parking is freely available on weekends at the Council Offices on Nuthall Lane.

**SVP RAFFLE** The SVP would like to thank you for your support. £500 was raised. Winning tickets: Pink 27, Blue 193, Orange 240.

**DONATIONS FOR CHRISTMAS FLOWERS** will be most gratefully received. Please hand in to Father David. Many thanks to those who have made donations.

**CATHOLIC EAST ANGLIA** Please take your free copy of the December issue of the newspaper of the Diocese.

**DIOCESAN YEAR BOOKS FOR 2026** are now on sale at the back of the church, £5.00 per copy. Please put payment in the small basket provided.

**CANON JIM GARRARD** The Funeral of Canon Jim Garrard will take place at Ely Cathedral on Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> January, at 11.30 am. All are welcome.

**WE PRAY** for all our sick and housebound, those who have died recently, and for the Anniversaries of Ursula Harvey, Patrick O'Brien, Fr Christopher Watt, Joe Geraty, Daniel Linehan, Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, William McGouran, Conor Fahy, Catherine Barrett, Morgan Anita Allan, Ken Thoday, Fr Guy Pritchard, Cicely Marsh, John Brady, June Wojciechowski (2025) and Jennifer Johnson (2025). R.I.P.

**CHURCH CLEAN** Many thanks to those who cleaned the church just before Christmas. Saturday, February 7<sup>th</sup> is booked for the next clean.

**COLLECTIONS LAST WEEKEND** *Parish*, £819.75 (Standing Orders average £650). *Dependent Priests*, £50 (£296.60). Thank you all for your generosity.

**PARISH BANK ACCOUNT** Lloyds Bank, Sort Code 30-93-05, Account Number: 00162284. Account Name: St Etheldreda's Parish.

**For the Catholic Chaplain in Addenbrooke's**, call the Chaplains' Office, 01223 217769. **Relationship difficulties** Contact Marriage Care 0800 389380.

**COMING UP:** The SVP meets next on Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> January at 7.30 pm. The Bible Study and Prayer Group meets again in January.

*Thank you for all your kindness, prayers, cards and gifts for Christmas. We wish you every blessing for a happy and peaceful New Year,  
 Father John, Deacon Paul and Father David.*

Feast of the Holy Family 2025 - Prayers of the Faithful

Priest: Let us ask the Father to hear our prayers for the family of the Church, for the whole human family and for all our families.

Reader:

For the Church: that we may be witnesses to the beauty of human love, truth and freedom in our daily lives...

Lord, hear us.

For our families and communities: that young and old may rejoice together at the Birth of Jesus and learn from one another in sharing the journey of life.

Lord, hear us.

For children and all who are vulnerable and are now caught up in violence and conflict: that the voice of peacemakers may be heard above the terrible noise of war...

Lord, hear us

For refugee families fleeing persecution and danger: that they may be welcomed in a place of safety...

Lord, hear us.

For all who are sick or in special need at this time: that they may be comforted by the Good News that God is with us...

Lord, hear us.

For those who have died recently, and for all whose anniversaries occur at this time: that they may find rest in the peace of Christ...

Lord, hear us.

We pause to pray for our own needs.

May the prayers of the Blessed Virgin Mary be a sure help in time of need:

Hail Mary...

Priest:

God our Father, grant us here on earth something of the love of heaven, that our lives may give glory to your name, through Jesus our Lord. Amen.





