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O God, who were pleased to give us the shining example of the Holy Family, graciously grant that we may imitate them in practicing the virtues of family life and in the bonds of charity, and so, in the joy of your house, delight one day in eternal rewards.

PARISH OFFICE CLOSURE FOR THE HOLIDAYS

The Parish Office will be close until 11 January 2021. Normal Office Hours will recommence on Tuesday, 12 January 2021.

2021 MASS TIMES

Revised Mass Times for St Patrick's and St Kevin's commence this Friday, 1st of January.

This Week's Mass Times

Monday, 28th December—The Holy Innocents

8.00 am (St Patrick's) 9.10 am Mass (St. Kevin's)

Tuesday, 29th December — 5th Day in the Octave of Nativity

8.00 am Mass (St Patrick's) 9:10 am Mass (St Kevin's)

Wednesday, 30th December— 6th Day in the Octave of Nativity

8:00 am Mass (St Patrick's) 9:10 am Mass (St Kevin's)

Thursday, 31st December— 7th Day in the Octave of Nativity

8:00 am Mass (St Patrick's) 9:10 am Mass (St Kevin's)

NEW YEAR'S EVE MASS

7.00 pm at St Kevin's

NEW YEAR'S DAY MASS

Friday, 1st January— Mary the Holy Mother of God 9:15 am Mass (St Patrick's)

Saturday, 2nd January— Sts Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen

9:15 am Mass followed by Confessions (*St Patrick's*)
5.30 pm Reconciliation (*St Kevin's*)

6 pm Vigil Mass (St Kevin's)

Sunday, 3rd January: The Epiphany of the Lord 8.30am Mass (St Patrick's)

10.30am Mass (St Kevin's)
5 pm Mass (St Patrick's)

WEEKEND MASSES IN JANUARY

Parishioners who wish to attend Weekend Masses in January **do not need to Pre-book**. Mass attendees will still need to register on arrival by scanning the QR code in the church foyer using the camera of their smartphones. They will then be directed to a website where they will enter their details - (only first name and number is mandatory). Some parishioners will be able to provide assistance if needed.



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

The shepherds went in haste, and found Mary and Joseph and the Infant lying in a manger.

FIRST READING Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14,

The Lord honours the father in his children, and upholds the rights of a mother over her sons. Whoever respects his father is atoning for his sins, he who honours his mother is like someone amassing a fortune.

Whoever respects his father will be happy with children of his own, he shall be heard on the day when he prays. Long life comes to him who honours his father, he who sets his mother at ease is showing obedience to the Lord.

My son, support your father in his old age, do not grieve him during his life.

Even if his mind should fail, show him sympathy, do not despise him in your health and strength; for kindness to a father shall not be forgotten but will serve as reparation for your sins.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 104

The Lord remembers his covenant for ever.

Give thanks to the Lord, tell his name, make known his deeds among the peoples. O sing to him, sing his praise; tell all his wonderful works! (R.) Be proud of his holy name, let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice. Consider the Lord and his strength; constantly seek his face. (R.) Remember the wonders he has done, his miracles, the judgements he spoke. O children of Abraham, his servant, O sons of the Jacob he chose. (R.) He remembers his covenant for ever, his promise for a thousand generations, the covenant he made with Abraham, the oath he swore to Isaac. (R.)

SECOND READING Colossians 3:12-21

You are God's chosen race, his saints; he loves you and you should be clothed in sincere compassion, in kindness and humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with one another; forgive each other as soon as a quarrel begins. The Lord has forgiven you; now you must do the same. Over all these clothes, to keep them together and complete them, put on love. And may the peace of Christ reign in your hearts, because it is for this that you were called together as parts of one body. Always be thankful.

Let the message of Christ, in all its richness, find a home with you. Teach each other, and advise each other, in all wisdom. With gratitude in your hearts sing psalms and . hymns and inspired songs to God; and never say or do anything except in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him. Wives, give way to your husbands, as you should in the Lord. Husbands, love your wives and treat them with gentleness. Children, be obedient to your parents always,

because that is what will please the Lord. Parents, never drive your children to resentment or you will make them feel frustrated.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, and the fullness of his message live within you. Alleluia! GOSPEL Luke 2:22-40

When the day came for them to be purified as laid down by the Law of Moses, the parents of Jesus took him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord – observing what stands written in the Law of the Lord: Every first-born male must be consecrated to the Lord – and also to offer in sacrifice, in accordance with what is said in the Law of the Lord, a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons. Now in Jerusalem there was a man named Simeon. He was an upright and devout man; he looked forward to Israel's comforting and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death until he had set eyes on the Christ of the Lord. Prompted by the Spirit he came to the Temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus to do for him what the Law required, he took him into his arms and blessed God: and he said:

'Now, Master,

you can let your servant go in peace, just as you promised;

because my eyes have seen the salvation which you have prepared for all the nations to see, a light to enlighten the pagans and the glory of your people Israel.'

As the child's father and mother stood there wondering at the things that were being said about him, Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, 'You see this child: he is destined for the fall and for the rising of many in Israel, destined to be a sign that is rejected – and a sword will pierce your own soul too – so that the secret thoughts of many may be laid bare.'

There was a prophetess also, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was well on in years. Her days of girlhood over, she had been married for seven years before becoming a widow. She was now eighty-four years old and never left the Temple, serving God night and day with fasting and prayer. She came by just at that moment and began to praise God; and she spoke of the child to all who looked forward to the deliverance of Jerusalem.

When they had done everything the Law of the Lord required, they went back to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. Meanwhile the child grew to maturity, and he was filled with wisdom; and God's favour was with him. But they were warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, and returned to their own country by a different way.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Our God has appeared on the earth, and lived among us.