

OUR LADY OF DOLOURS SERVITE CHURCH

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The Epiphany of the Lord

(Year C) 6th Jan 2019

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Mass Times

Vigil Mass: Sat	6.30pm
Sunday	8.30am
	10am
(Spanish)	11.15am
	12.15pm
	7pm
Mon - Sat	10am
	6.30pm

Parish Office Opening Hrs

Mon - Fri 9am to 5pm
(Lunch 1.30pm - 2.30pm)

Sacrament of Confession

Mon - Fri	6.15 - 6.30pm
Saturday	10.45 - 11.15am
	6.00 - 6.30pm

Adoration of Blessed Sacrament

Mon - Fri 10.30am - 11.15am

Rosary: Wednesdays 10.30am followed by Tea/Coffee in the Founders Room.

Legion of Mary: Every Tuesday at 7pm in the Library. New members are welcome!

Charismatic Prayer Group: .. on Thursdays at 11am in the Founders' Room.

Saints Days

Mon 7th - St Raymond of Penyafort
Sat 12th - St Anthony Pucci & St Aelred of Rievaulx

Sunday Reflection - A new born baby usually tends to attract visitors and gifts. The Magi are described as wise men from the East. They may have been astronomers or philosophers but most definitely they were people who had their eyes, ears and minds open to the events going on around them, to the signs of their times. We see in today's Gospel how God is working through people that we least expect. The wise men were not 'religious', they would not have been considered 'the people of God'. Yet, God is working through them in lots of different ways. They may not have been considered 'righteous' in their time, but they are certainly people who have come to bow down and worship God. This story has a clear message: that Jesus has come for all people, not just a select few. Today, perhaps we can think about times when we found Christ in unexpected places. How did we react? What star, what guidance had brought us there? What gifts did we leave there? What gifts were we given there? "Whenever the Christ in one of us meets the Christ in another, there will be an exchange of gifts. (Intercom. Margaret Silf)

Happy New Year - We wish all parishioners and all who attend Mass in our Church a very Happy and Blessed New Year. This day is the World Day of Peace, so we pray for peace for those parts of our World ravaged by war and violence, we pray for peace in our homes and in our hearts. We wish you all a peaceful New Year. This year let us try to do and change what is possible and what is for the better, so let us resolve to be faithful to attending Mass every Sunday and having some prayer-time each day.

Sincere Thanks - The Servite Community wish to thank you all for your very generous offerings on Christmas Day. We are most grateful to you all. We thank you too for your kind greeting cards, gifts and best wishes at Christmas. We appreciate your thoughtfulness and assure you of a special place in our prayers during the coming year. It has been a hectic year, a busy and demanding year with many changes but with great work done in our Church. Thank you again for your faith, your prayers and your support.

Servite School - Our Parish School reopens on Tuesday 8th January 2018. Hope you had a lovely holiday. Welcome back! May the New Year be a time for "learning to love and loving to learn".

First Holy Communion - 7th Session will be on Sunday 13th Jan at 9am. Parents and children are asked to be on time for the lesson.

Confirmation Classes 2019 - Young people aged 14/15yrs upwards who wish to be confirmed next year need to enroll for the Confirmation Programme. Please collect a Confirmation Enrolment Form from the Colonnade and return to the Parish office by this Sunday, 6th Jan 2019. A Baptismal Certificate Must accompany the Enrolment form unless Baptized in this Church. Classes will begin on Thursday 24th January 2019.

Requiem Masses:

Alfredo Moro (Rip) on Friday 11th January at 10am
Robelyn De Asis Dolette (Rip) on Monday 14th January at 10am
Elaine Maria McDonald OBE (Rip) on Tuesday 15th January at 10am