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29th November 2020
1st Sunday of Advent

Following Government legislation there can be no public worship from 3/11/20 to 2/12/20

Fr. Jim will celebrate private Masses during lockdown and these will be streamed through the usual link
<https://www.facebook.com/StAnneandHolyfamily/>

There will be one Mass streamed this Sunday from Westby.

Normal Mass times will resume next week, with streaming as usual.

Sunday 29/11 - 10.00 am Josephine Griffin (Westby)
Sunday 6/12 - 8.45 am People of the Parish

Looking ahead to Christmas, Mass times will be:

Xmas Eve 5.30pm - Holy Family
8.00pm - St Anne's Westby
Midnight - Holy Family
Xmas Day 10.00 am - St Anne's Westby
10.00 am - Holy Family

If you would like a Mass to be said, please let Father Jim know. There are plenty of spaces at the moment.

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH OPENING TIMES FOR PRIVATE PRAYER:

During this latest lockdown period Holy Family church will be open on Tuesday 11am - 12 noon; Thursday 6pm - 7pm; and Saturday 10am - 11am.

We really need to pray earnestly at this time of confusion, stress and turbulence!

CONFESSIONS: Are available by appointment with social distancing; and during private prayer times.

Penitential Service in Advent: A penitential service will take place in both churches during Advent with social distancing observed. The dates and times will be announced nearer Advent. Father Jim is always available for private confession in Holy Family Church on Tuesdays between 11am & 12 noon, Thursdays between 6pm & 7pm, and Saturdays between 10am & 11am, plus 6pm just before 6.30pm Mass. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is a wonderful sacrament, please take advantage of it!

Something to make us smile!

No nativity this year because the 3 wise men face a travel ban. The shepherds have been furloughed, the innkeeper has shut under lockdown regulations and had a slump in bookings, and Santa won't be working as he would break the rule of 6 with Dasher, Dancer, Prancer, Vixen, Donner and Blitzen. As for Rudolph, with that red nose, he should be isolating and taking a test. *(Thank you Anne-Marie!)*

Congregation: 259 views on line

For those who contribute via envelopes please continue to put your offering in them each week and keep them in a safe place, until the time comes that we resume Public Masses. The easiest way to contribute to the parish is to set up a Standing Order/Gift Aid Form

Anniversaries : Norah Blacoe, James Lennon, Doris May Mather, John Holliday, Louis Herbert Powdrill, Mary Gillett, Josephine Griffin, James Henry Pilkington, William George High, Lydia Wilcock, Peter MacLennan Smith, Sadie Gribben, Mary Alice McCall, Alice Murray, Mary Kathleen Cuffe, Joe Holliday

Please pray for the sick of our parish: Betty Robertson, Des Connolly, Tony Flanigan, Marie Foster, George Hopwood, Jo Dearlove, Sharon Noye

Parish Zoom rosary on Thursday evenings at 6pm.

Anyone wishing to join should e mail:

jane@mrobinson@virginmedia.com Jane will then send out the Zoom invitation to you. You simply click on the link and follow the onscreen instructions to join the meeting on Thursday at 6pm. We will say one decade of the rosary together -- anyone who wants to stay and chat is welcome, Jane will close the link down at 7pm latest.

SVP Ace Project Appeal:

Thank you all for your very generous support over the past years and if you can help this year, we are collecting again to support these needy local families over the Christmas period.

If you can donate non-perishable items, please drop them off at church before 13th December:

There are lists of suggested products at the back of church.

We have recently sent a donation to the Sudan Baby Feeding Project to maintain our commitment to this cause.

First Holy Communion:

The Holy Communion preparation has been suspended at church. Mrs Holden will prepare all candidates within school adhering to COVID safety regulations. The date for receiving the sacrament of Reconciliation has been cancelled due to lockdown. The original date of First Holy Communion (19/20 Dec) will be reviewed nearer the time. If places of worship have been opened by then, Fr Jim would like the children to make their First Holy Communion on the original date.

CAFOD World Gifts

World Gifts, CAFOD's range of virtual gifts, make a real difference to families living in poverty across the world. While we have the coronavirus pandemic and lockdown here, we can still be good neighbours to our sisters and brothers overseas by giving World Gifts as Christmas presents to family and friends. The Keep Clean Kit gift for £6 and the Vegetable Garden gift for £10 are just two gifts that will help vulnerable families affected by the pandemic to protect and feed themselves. Let's spread joy and hope around the world this Christmas. Visit cafod.org.uk/worldgifts