

**Chesterfield Parish Church  
Saint Mary & All Saints**

**N**ew Year Bargains?

If you have been fighting through the queues (or, God forbid, are intending to do so after church today!) I hope that you don't have any lasting injury to your body or your pride.

Bargains can bring out the worst in people—we've got to have it, and to hell with everyone else!

To hell? The greatest bargain of all time makes hell a thing of the past, but it isn't cheap—it costs not less than everything—and yet it's offered to us free with no strings attached.

*Let 2024 be the year you re-discover the free gift of new life in Jesus, and if you have already discovered it, let 2024 be the year when you spread that gift far and wide.*



**NEW DEALS EVERY DAY**

**Please respect those who wish to prepare for Mass in quiet prayer; also those who wish to listen to the closing Organ Voluntary.**

**Christmas I  
(31st December 2023)**

10.30 Sung Mass

**ALSO THIS WEEK:**

**Monday 1st January**  
12.15 Mass

**Tuesday 2nd January**  
12.15 Mass

**Wednesday 3rd January**  
12.15 Mass

**Thursday 4th January**  
09.00 Morning Prayer  
17.00 Evening Prayer  
17.30 Mass

**Friday 5th January**  
09.00 Morning Prayer  
12.15 Mass  
16.00 Evening Prayer

**Saturday 6th January**  
09.00 Morning Prayer  
09.30 Mass  
16.00 Evening Prayer



## **CHRISTMAS I - SUNG MASS**

Processional Hymn: 42

Setting: Rawsthorne

### **Collect Prayer**

Almighty God, who wonderfully created us in your own image and yet more wonderfully restored us through your Son Jesus Christ: grant that, as he came to share in our humanity, so we may share the life of his divinity; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

### **A reading from the Letter of Paul to the Galatians**

**Galatians 4.4-7**

When the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, 'Abba! Father!' So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

Gradual Hymn : 40

### **Hear the Gospel of Christ according to St Luke**

**Glory to you, O Lord**

**Luke 2.15-21**

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, 'Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us.' So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

After eight days had passed, it was time to circumcise the child; and he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ**

Homily, Creed, Intercessions & Peace

Offertory Hymn: 137

Postcommunion Hymn: 21

Voluntary : Noël X (*Louis-Claude Daquin*)

## Prayer Intentions This Week:

### Today 31st December - Christmas I

- Renewed commitment to serve God faithfully
- ◇ The Anglican Church of Rwanda
- ✦ Sheila Hearnshaw; Doris Allan

### Monday 1st January - Naming & Circumcision of Jesus

- Christ's light to illumine our path this coming year
- ◇ Bor - The Episcopal Church of South Sudan
- ✦ Ethel Ecclestone

### Tuesday 2nd January - Basil the Great; Gregory of Nazianzus; Seraphim; Vedanayagam Samuel Azariah

- Benefice of Allestree St Edmund and Darley Abbey
- ◇ Botswana - The Church of Central Africa

### Wednesday 3rd January

- Benefice of Alsop-en-le-Dale, Fenny Bentley,  
Thorpe, Tissington and Parwich
- ◇ Brandon - The Anglican Church of Canada
- ✦ Constance Walton; Brian Pick; Ray Addison

### Thursday 4th January

- Benefice of Allestree St Nicholas and Quarndon
- ◇ Brechin - The Scottish Episcopal Church
- ✦ Clarice King

### Friday 5th January - Alvaston

- Benefice of Alvaston
- ◇ Brisbane - The Anglican Church of Australia

### Saturday 6th January - Epiphany

- That we may find our journey's end in Christ
- ◇ Bristol - The Church of England
- ✦ Annie Musson; Eddie Benton

- Diocesan Cycle of Prayer
- ◇ Anglican Worldwide Cycle of Prayer
- ✦ Year's Mind

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**Parish Reader:** John Gascoyne

**Churchwardens:** John Hague  
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## Our prayers have been asked for:

June Frankland; Andrea Sutcliffe; John  
Robinson; Jean Madin; Valerie Alice Seeney;  
Colin Hutson; Christopher Cain; Jean Morris;  
Wendy Layton; Ambrose Mason; Paul Bates;  
John Lockwood; Ian Bennett; Tony Ragan;  
Sue Hastings; Terry Bell; Iain Bushe; Jane  
Bushe; Fiona Solberg; Marian Mathews;  
Barbara Carter; Jack; Charles Gaskell

✦ Robert Prescott, priest, RIP

## Church 'Post Box'

Don't forget to collect any remaining  
Christmas Cards from the back of the church!

## Visitor Opening Times

On Tuesday 2nd and Wednesday 3rd  
January, the church will be open to Visitors  
between 10am and 2pm, with Mass at  
12.15pm each day. Many thanks to those  
who have volunteered as Stewards during  
this period.

Normal visiting and service times will resume  
on Thursday 4th January.

## Gift Shop

The shop will also re-open on Thursday 4th  
January. Normal times: Monday-Saturday,  
10am - 4pm.

## Next Sunday - 7th January - Epiphany Sunday

08.30 Holy Communion (1662)

10.30 Choral Mass  
Readings: Ephesians 3.1-12  
Matthew 2.1-12

18.30 Choral Evensong  
Readings: Psalms 98 & 100  
Isaiah 60.1-9  
John 2.1-11

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