

St Peter and the Guardian Angels

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THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD - 9TH January 2022

Prayer: Sharing in the Lord's ministry

Lord Jesus, touch our eyes so that we may see the signs of your presence in our lives and in the world.

Touch our ears so that we may hear your word.

Touch our tongues so that we may profess our faith.

Touch our hands so that we may give and receive.

Touch our feet so that we may walk in your paths.

Touch our minds so that we may understand your ways.

Touch our wills so that they may be in tune with your will.

Touch our hearts so that we may bring your love to our brothers and sisters, to the praise and glory of God. **Amen.**

Synod Process: Our next Synod process sharing meeting will be **Friday 14th January at 7pm**. Please come and share your faith and hope with others of the community.

16th January is PEACE SUNDAY; and the message is 'LET'S PUSH THE BOAT OUT'. So for 2022 'let's push the boat out', out into deeper water, reaching people of all ages through the liturgy and prayer, by sharing the message, and by action for peace. 'Education, work and dialogue between generations: tools for building lasting peace is the theme announced for World Peace Day. Pope Francis is inviting us to think of the role of education and upbringing in building lasting peace, and creating solidarity and dialogue between generations as a way of building peace. This provides a golden opportunity for families, schools and groups to explore their role in peace-making. **(PAX CHRISTI)**

Crib Collections 2021 – Our Crib offerings this Christmas will be donated to the Friends of the Holy Land which supports our brothers and sisters who are suffering in the land of Our Lord. Further details about the appeal of the Friends of the Holy Land can be found at www.friendsoftheholylan.org.uk/christmas. amount collected - **£124.10. Thank you!**

First Holy Communion children's Parents/Guardians meeting will be on Friday 21st January at 7pm. All are expected to attend this meeting.

CONFIRMATION 2022: the preparation of candidates for Confirmation will begin on Monday 31st January. More details will follow soon. Please complete the application form and hand it over to Fr Tesfamichael.

INDUCTION MASS: This weekend we welcome Bishop Paul Hendricks, Auxiliary Bishop of Southwark, who will preside the 11am Mass and induct Fr Tesfamichael as Parish Administrator. After the Mass all are invited for refreshment in the hall.

Missio Red Boxes: Many thanks to everyone who has a Red Box. If you would like to become a Red Box holder please have a word with Diane Rampling or contact her on drampling@aol.com.

Mass Times and News

SUNDAY: 9th January – THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD 9am: intention of Marlin Corcoran & family 11pm: For the people	THURSDAY: 13th January; 9:15am: Mass
MONDAY: 10th January No Mass	FRIDAY: 14th January 9:15am: Mass; 7pm Synod meeting
TUESDAY: 11th January 7:30pm: Mass - Feast	SATURDAY: 15th January 6pm: Mass
WEDNESDAY: 12th January 9:15am: Mass	SUNDAY: 16th January – SECOND SUNDAY (C) 9: 00am: For the people 11:00am: Thomas Hughes RIP

From Marriage & Family Life Kent

Dear husband and wife! During the restrictions due to the Covid pandemic, an **online** 'Building a Better Marriage' opportunity is being held from 9am -1pm on Saturday JAN 8th 2022.

The course offered means that you can attend the course from your own living room and **there is no group sharing!** Recent Building a Better Marriage courses received the following comments from married couples who logged on ... 'The topics were chosen well and we could really relate to them. The personal stories you shared were very insightful and helped us to reflect on our own relationships more deeply... It was relaxed and you put us at ease, being friendly and personable...'

'We thoroughly enjoyed attending the course and have certainly been practicing a few of the things we learnt already. It puts a smile on our faces when we do because we know that we are certainly richer from participating in the course.'

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Pope's prayer Intentions for January: For those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers & sisters in the human family.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 5.15pm or on request.

COLLECTIONS – Sunday 2nd January - £719.06.
Many thanks for Fr Tesfamichael's Christmas offerings; £2,090.70. Your kindness and generosity is much appreciated. THANK YOU!

Do you know any elderly, Housebound or Sick Parishioners that would benefit from a home visit from Fr Tesfamichael if so, please visit the Presbytery or call 020 237 2969 or can speak directly to Fr after each Mass.

Prayer for the sick & housebound; we remember those who have asked for our prayers;

"Tend your sick ones, O Lord Christ.

Rest your weary ones.

Bless your dying ones.

Soothe your suffering ones.

Pity your afflicted ones.

Shield your joyous ones.

And for all your love's sake. Amen."

(St Augustine)

Baptism preparation date for parents and god-parents – 19th January at 7pm. Please if you have a child to be baptised make a note of this date.

Prayer for the Synod: *'Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth Your Spirit and they shall be created. And you shall renew the face of the earth.'* Come, Holy Spirit, Come!

HAPPY NEW YEAR!