



A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR
 to all members of the Parish,
 your loved ones, and our visitors.

Sat	Vigil Mass	6.30pm	Jane Anne Murray RIP Anniversary
Sun	The Holy Family	8.30am	Marie Gavin RIP
	Year B	10.30am	Parishioners
		12.30pm	Baptism Sproston and Barnes families
Mon	St Silvester	9.30am	Richard McDonald RIP
Tues	Solemnity of Mary The Mother of God	12.00 noon	Parishioners
Wed	St Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen	9.30am	Charles Samuel Nelson RIP anniversary
Thur	The Most Holy Name of Jesus	9.30am	Geoffrey Greenough RIP anniversary
Fri	St Elizabeth Ann Seaton	12.15pm	Edward Fallon RIP anniversary
Sat		12.15pm	Ellen Dwyer RIP
<i>(Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays 11.00am to 12 noon and 5.45 to 6.15pm)</i>			
	Vigil Mass	6.30pm	Tom Keogh RIP anniversary
Sun	The Epiphany of the Lord,	8.30am	Margaret Quinn RIP
	Year B	10.30am	Parishioners

FR. PAT WRITES: "The *Feast of the Holy Family* is an important reminder of what Christmas is really about. We give thanks for the gift of our families. It is where we first encountered love and affection and where we discovered what it means to be supported and accepted for what we are regardless of our successes or failures. It is where we first learned about our faith and experienced God's love for us through our parents, brothers and sisters. While we all have regrets, today we pray for healing and a renewal of hope in family life. As we prepare to usher in the New Year we build on the possible good and move on from the painful and damaging experiences. This is only possible if we make the time and the space to welcome God into the heart of our families."

NEW YEARS' DAY: We welcome Fr. Tony who has kindly agreed to celebrate Mass on New Year's Day at 12 NOON. We wish Fr. Tony the blessings of peace, happiness and joy over Christmas and New Year.

THANKS. Thank you to everyone who has helped the parish in any way over the year. In addition, thank you for the time and energy of so many people which was given freely to help ensure the church has a festive spirit and that our Masses and services were worthy celebrations of the birth of Christ. Thank you all for your cards, gifts, good wishes and Christmas offerings

CHRISTMAS CRIB APPEAL for Caritas (Shrewsbury Diocese) formerly known as the Catholic Children's Society. The majority of families supported by the Society live

in the more deprived areas of our Diocese. The box besides the crib is for your offerings. Please give generously, and gift-aid your offerings if you are a taxpayer.

ENROLMENT: Congratulations to Charlotte Ryan and Malachy Byrne on their enrolment into the Guild of St. Stephen for Altar Servers during 10.30 a.m. Mass today. The Guild, founded in 1904, exists to encourage high standards of serving Mass and to provide Altar Servers with a greater understanding of what they are doing. Charlotte and Malachy continue to set a high standard and are a great example to our younger servers.

PUBLICATIONS: Copies of the Shrewsbury Diocesan Year Book for 2019 are available in the church porch priced £5. Please put your payment in the wall box which is behind the newspapers table. The Christmas Edition of Catholic Voice and the latest edition of Our Mission Together Stewardship Newsletter are available free of charge.

LITTLE CHRISTMAS. Come and celebrate "Little Christmas" at the fundraising event for the Christie Hospital at 7.30pm in the church hall on Saturday 5th January. There will be live music, food and drink to add to the festive spirit. Entry is £5 on the door and helpers are always appreciated!

COLLECTIONS. Thank you for last week's Offertory: £1004.33 plus standing orders. Christmas offerings will be published next week. The next collection will be on January 13th, for Pax Christi.