

**St Francis de Sales Church
and Parish Office**
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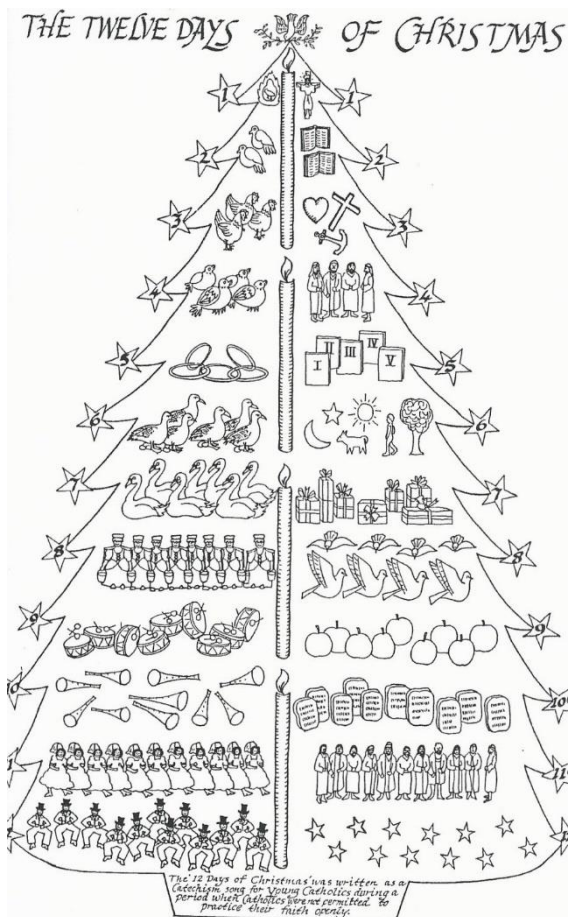
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Mass Times and Intentions St F - St Francis; OLOL - Our Lady of Lourdes
This Sunday: Welcome to our Mass, especially if you are a visitor or newcomer!

FEAST OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

Date	Time	Place	Feast of the Day	Mass Intention
Tues 24 Dec	4 pm	St F	Feast of the Nativity of the Lord (Carols precede Midnight Mass)	For the Parish
	9.30 pm	St F		Joseph & Mary Carroll R.I.P.
	11.30 pm	St F		
Wed 25 Dec	9 am	OLOL		
	11 am	St F		
Thurs 26 Dec	12 noon	St F	St Stephen	
HOLY FAMILY - Year A - Psalter Week 1				
Sat 28 Dec	10 am	St F	NO Sacrament of Reconciliation	
	6 pm	St F	The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph	For repentance, thanksgiving & blessing
Sun 29 Dec	9 am	OLOL		
	11 am	St F		For the Parish



The 12 days of Christmas was written as a Catechism song for Young Catholics during a period when Catholics were not permitted to practice their faith openly.

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| 1: Partridge in a Pear Tree | 1: Jesus |
| 2: Turtle Doves | 2: Old & New Testaments |
| 3: French Hens | 3: Faith, Hope & Charity |
| 4: Coley Birds | 4: Mathew, Mark, Luke & John |
| 5: Gold Rings | 5: 1st 5 books of the Old Testament |
| 6: Geese A-Laying | 6: Days of Creation |
| 7: Swans A-Swimming | 7: Gifts of the Holy Spirit |
| 8: Maids a Milking | 8: Beatitudes |
| 9: Drummers Drumming | 9: Fruits of the Holy Spirit |
| 10: Pipers Piping | 10: Ten Commandments |
| 11: Ladies Dancing | 11: Faithful Apostles |
| 12: Lords A Leaping | 12: Points of the Apostles Creed |



NEWS & FORTHCOMING EVENTS

NEW YEARS DAY - Feast of Mary Mother of God - 12.00 noon Mass of Healing with the Sacrament of the Sick at St. Francis de Sales. Fr. Zbigniew will be assisted by Canon Peter Turbitt. ALL are welcome. Mass will be followed by light refreshments in the hall.

There seems to be a shortage of newsletters to go round. Please share your newsletter with family members and those around you for the readings during Mass.

Pope's Intention for December

That every country determine to take the necessary measures to make the future of the very young, especially those who suffer, a priority.

Please remember that the collection at Christmas goes to Fr Zbigniew and be as generous as you can. We owe a great debt of thanks to him and all priests for their solitary lives of servitude.

DIARY

Wed 1 Jan 2020 - 12 noon - St F - Mass of Healing followed by refreshments

Sat 4 Jan 2020 - 10 am to 12 noon - OLOL - Coffee morning



Thank you to all who work so hard in the parish all year to help prepare the Church for Mass and clean the Church and do all the back stage things that need doing. It is much appreciated.

Complaints are being received about people not being able to park at St Francis as too much space is being left between cars. **PLEASE PARK TIDILY** as we are running out of room. Could you walk or car share? **Is there a volunteer to open up the overflow car park for Park House School any Sunday? Contact the Parish Office.**

If writing cheques, please make them payable to PRCDTR Newbury St Francis de Sales. Requested by the bank!

Contribute to our Website You can now request access to add content to our website. If interested, please fill in the simple form on the website to request access - <http://www.stfrancisdesales.org.uk/user/register>. Any queries, feel free to contact Andrew at andrewpolland@gmail.com

If you would like to be included in the Parish Sick List, please contact the Parish Office. Please pray for **Courtney Andrews, Anton Barber, Anne & Bill Bower, Olwyn Brian, Lily Brooke, Bronek (father of Anna Brooks), Christopher & Robert Brown, Tim Burke-Gaffney, Lucy Curtis, Emma, Joe Emery, Maria Hall, Sam Hearn, June & Jo Howard, Clare Huckle, Bernard & Victoria Kilkenny, Evelyn Lavers, Noreen McCann, Shomila Malik, Joseph Marletta, Marie O'Sullivan, Daryl Pike, Mary Russell, Elizabeth Sage & Linda Verner** who ask for our prayers.

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ROTAS AT ST FRANCIS

WELCOMING:

Tues 24 Dec - 4pm: Dykes and Taylor families

Tues 24 Dec - 9.30pm: tbc

Tues 24 Dec - Midnight: Angela Spellman

Wed 25 Dec: Lola Emetulu & Middleton family

Sat 28 Dec: Michael Boyle

Sun 29 Dec: Goree family

CLEANERS:

Fri 27 Dec: Margaret Fielding & Angela Spellman

COUNTER:

Sun 22 Dec: Angela Spellman & Paul Cobb