

21st - 29th December 2024

Masses and Services

Ramsey

Peel

Saturday	6.30 pm	Parishioners		
Sunday	11.00 am	Margaret Dowsing	9.00 am	Margaret Fletcher
Monday	10.00 am	Forgotten Souls	10.00 am	Communion Service
Tuesday	10.00 am	Private Intention	Midday	Holy Souls
	6.00 pm	Mass with Children	8.30 pm	Andrew Hetherington
	Midnight	Our Deceased Families		
Wednesday.	Christmas Day			
	8.00 am	Margaret Dowsing	9.30 am	John, Sydney, Kelly and Raymond Dickinson
	11.00 am	Tom Emmett		
Thursday	10.00 am	Ellen Mary Bowler	Midday	Private Intention
Friday	10.00 am	Service of Word & Holy Communion	Midday	Service of Word & Holy Communion
Saturday	12.30 pm	Benefactors		
	6.30 pm	Parishioners		
Sunday	11.00 am	Margaret Dowsing	9.00 am	Joyce Whelan

Confessions: Ramsey - Saturday, after 12:30pm Mass & 5.45-6.15pm. Wed. 7-7.20pm
Peel - Sunday 8.30 - 8.50 am

Last Week Donations: Ramsey - £942.00; Peel - £2633.30

Readings for the Week

23rd December 2024 - **Monday**

Mal 3:1-4, 23-24; Ps 24:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14; Lk 1:57-66

24th December 2024 - **Tuesday**

2 Sam 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 88:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29; Lk 1:67-79

25th December 2024 - **Wednesday**

Night Is 9:1-6; Ps 95:1-2a, 2b-3, 11-12, 13; Tit 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14

Dawn Is 62:11-12; Ps 96:1 and 6, 11-12; Tit 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20

Day Is 52:7-10; Ps 97:1-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 (or 1-5, 9-14)

26th December 2024 - **Thursday**

Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps 30:3-4, 6, 8, 16-17; Mt 10:17-22

27th December 2024 - **Friday**

1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 96:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:2-8

28th December 2024 - **Saturday**

1 Jn 1:5—2:2; Ps 123:2-3, 4-5, 7cd-8; Mt 2:13-18

Prayer of the Faithful: On coming into the world he says:

Response: **Here I am; I come to do your will.**

Please turn OFF your mobile phone when entering the Church. Thank you.

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Christmas Masses

Ramsey

Christmas Eve. Children 6pm
Midnight Mass 12 Midnight
Christmas Day 8 am
Christmas Day 11am

Peel

First Mass of Christmas 8.30 pm
Christmas Day 9.30 am

From the desk of Canon Phil.....

Allow me please to add my voice to those who wish you, your families and communities all the joys and blessings of this Christmas Season !

We appear to be living in a world which has great difficulty in retaining the most fundamental virtues of human life. We only need to switch on the television or read the newspapers or websites and we feel overwhelmed by the suffering of our brothers and sisters in war-torn communities and lands where through fear or ambition (or both) countries and Leaders have decided to undermine the basic dignities of human life.

As followers of the Way of Christ – what can we do about it ? Well on one level we may say ‘ very little ’, it is all quite literally ‘above our pay grade’. However our voices leant to the causes of peace and respect for human life, our active care for those less fortunate and those who have most need of our compassion and understanding , and most of all our prayers for the strengthening of the will and resolve of those who seek peace and a deeper understanding between peoples and nations - these all make a difference in ways which we may not immediately appreciate but which, in God’s good time and in ways which He alone will know, will bring blessings to our country, our Church, our world.

In the midst of seeming chaos, I find some comfort in the words of the first Chapter of Saint John’s Gospel

"What came to be through him was life,
and this life was the light of the human race;
the light shines in the darkness,
and the darkness has not overcome it."

May our whole world find some measure of comfort and light in the our Feast of ‘God with us’

*Dearly beloved, today our Saviour is born; let us rejoice. Sadness should have no place on the birthday of life. No one is shut out from this joy; all share the same reason for rejoicing for at the birth of the Lord, the angels sing in joy **GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST.***

Pope Saint Leo the Great (died 461ad)

Please feel free to take this bulletin away with you.