

ST. ANSELM

Proclaiming Christ in Hayes

The Arrival.

A very merry Christmas.

It has been a momentous year in the life of St. Anselm. We have had high points and low points, there have been times when we've wondered if things were going to work out and there have been times we've shared happiness and joy at the new things happening.

We welcomed our new mission priest and his family, we've welcomed new people who have become part of our loving family and we've grown in both numbers and depth of love in Jesus.

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Please let us know of illness or other need as soon as possible. We are

We have much to be grateful for and even more to be excited about.

Christmas is a time to be excited, it is a time to put aside the cynicism and doubt we collect as we grow older and to re-capture the simple joy and expectation of children on Christmas Eve.

Be happy. Be joyful. Be expectant of how things will improve in your life in the coming year.

Most of all be joyful at the love of Jesus working in your life. When cynicism and doubt threaten to raise their ugly heads picture the Holy Family in the stable, surrounded by animals and embraced in their love for one another.

Be peaceful, be full of love.

Fr. Matthew

Prayer focus

For our family here at St. Anselm and that in 2023 we grow as more people come to know the love and care of Jesus Christ.

Worship focus

Family Crib & Carols on Christmas Eve at 3pm.

Midnight Mass, 11:30pm
Christmas Eve

Christmas Day
Mass, 10am



This Sunday

Sunday 25th December

Christmas Day, Solemnity ●

10am - Mass of Christmas Day

Divine Office Psalter Week 1, Year A(I)

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Notices

All of us here at St. Anselm wish you a very happy and a very merry Christmas with all our best wishes and prayers for a wonderful new year.

It's a very quiet week in church, but please do use the calendar to pray at home.

Thank you to everyone who has worked so hard to make the church beautiful and welcoming over Christmas. People have been welcomed to a warm, clean and loving space, and that is down to a great deal of hard work - thank you.

Don't forget we're running Alpha from the 19th January. If you don't know what Alpha is or want to sign up, head to the website at www.stanselm.co.uk/alpha It's a place to ask big questions about life, faith and love. We start each session with a hot meal and good chat.

Years Mind

25th - Florence Upshon, Reg Bacon, Annie Gull, Nellie Duckitt, Irene Bullock, Hazel Smith, Norma O'Brien, Christine Lewis-Hall, Patricia Fox

29th - Beatrice Barnes

31st - Frederick Bedford, Joan Nicola

Pray for the souls of Joan Culham, Fr. John Metivier and Richlene Husbands

Pray This Week For

Yolanda De Gale, Wayne Campbell, Beryl Higgs, Kevin Riley & Family, Norma Piggott, Gemma, Deborah Ann Potts, Adrian Calliste, Jim Kissane, Mavis & Daniel Sibley, Desmond, Dorothy Shirley Gordon, Alan & Vida, Elijah and his family, Andrew, Sarah, Harrison Turner, Jan.

Monday 26th December

St. Stephen, the first Martyr ●

[Offices said privately at home]

Prayer focus: Our online family

Tuesday 27th December

St. John, Apostle, Evangelist - Feast ●

[Offices said privately at home]

Prayer focus: The evangelisation of England

Wednesday 28th December

The Holy Innocents, Martyrs - Feast ●

[Offices said privately at home]

Prayer focus: Priests & Bishops of the Society

Thursday 29th December

St. Thomas Becket, Bishop, Martyr - Feast ●

[Offices said privately at home]

Prayer focus: Persecuted Christians

Friday 30th December

The Holy Family - Feast ●

[Offices said privately at home]

Prayer focus: Struggling Mothers & Fathers

Saturday 31st December

7th day within the octave of Christmas ●

[Offices said privately at home]

Prayer focus: Children around the world

Sunday 1st January

Mary, the Holy Mother of God, Solemnity ●

10am - Parish Mass

Divine Office Psalter Week 2, Year A(I)