Diary Events This Week:

SUN 28th Dec. 9.30am: No Children's Liturgy MONDAY: 9.00am: No Pre-School Club*

3.20pm: No After-School Club*

6.00pm: No Cubs 6.45pm: No Scouts

TUESDAY: * No Usual activities*

7.30pm: No Prayer Group

6.00pm: No Seekers & GFF Youth Groups

WEDNESDAY: * No Usual activities*
THURSDAY: * No Usual activities*

6.15pm: No Beavers 7.45pm: No RCIA

FRIDAY: * No Usual activities*

SATURDAY: 7.30pm: AA Meeting

Advance Diary Dates: 2015: January: 5th > Social Committee; 15th>First Communion Parent's Meeting; 18th> Christian Unity Service; 30th>Prize

Bingo;

PARISH PETITION BOOK

near Our Lady's statue. For your intentions which will be prayed for at the Sunday Masses and at other times.

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL:

First Saturday - 10.00am Mass.
Blest medals available,

ABORTION RECOVERY HELPLINE Arch can help: 0845 603 8501 - Poster

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSES: 2015

25th Jan; 26th April; 11th Nov: Tel Barbara Ryan - 01772 717131

CENACOLO COMMUNITY: Thank you for your support with gifts of food.

NEW TO THE PARISH? Or if

you have changed: email, phone or address? Please complete the *Details Update Form* available in the porch.

PRESTON FOOD BANK Thanks for last time; **Next Coll: 17/18 Jan**

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: to help with the youth groups on Tuesday evening. If you are able to spare a couple of hours each week in term time please see Fr. D. after Mass or email frdarren@saintclares.co.uk Age range school years 4-6 &7-11.

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THE HOLY FAMILY 28th December 2014



Today's feast, that of the Holy Family, presents us with not just a 'nuclear family' of husband, wife and child, but the older generation too. In the Gospel the grandparent-like figures of Simeon and Anna are on the scene, the 'extended family.' God's Fatherhood, his family is all-embracing – no one is excluded, except those who choose to be. As we approach a New Year it might be a good time to examine our welcome and inclusiveness.

JANUARY 1st Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God Mass 12 noon.

Begin the New Year well, seek God's blessing on all that will unfold in 2015.

Friday 2nd Jan 7-8pm
Holy Hour for Readers,
Eucharistic Ministers etc. all
are welcome
Saturday 3rd Jan 10am
Novena Mass



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MASSES THIS WEEK: 28th Dec 2014. – Mass Book Page: 105 Office: Of the Season Readings: Sunday: Cycle B: Weekdays: Proper

THE HOLY FAMILY

6.00pm: Ronald & Mary Airey RIP Vigil

7.00pm: Holy Mass with the NeoCatechumenal Community

9.30am: Roger & Florence O'Donnell RIP

6.00pm: People of the Parish

Monday ST. THOMAS BECKET 10.00am: Special Intention (MC)

5.15pm: No Mass in RPH

Tuesday Sixth day of Christmas Ocatve

10.00am: Harry Cole & Fr. David O'Brien RIP

Wednesday Seventh Day of Christmas Octave

10.00am: Margaret Culshaw RIP

7.00pm: Holy Mass with the NeoCatechumenal Community

Thursday MARY MOTHER OF GOD

12.noon: Esther Naylor RIP, Mary Sinnott RIP

Friday St. Basil the Great & St. Gregory Nazianzen

12.noon: Bill Yeulett RIP 5.15pm: Mass in RPH

Saturday of Christmas Season before Epiphany

10.00am: People of the Parish

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

6.00pm: Mark Catterall RIP Vigil

7.00pm: Holy Mass with the NeoCatechumenal Community

9.30am: Fred Newsham RIP6.00pm: Balasamy & Jackob RIP

LATELY DEAD:

ANNIVERSARIES: Tom Gill, Sheila Borrill, Jean Andrew, Annie Rawcliffe, Michael Swift, Lois Swarbrick, Jean Hull, Mark Cartmell, Madge Collard, Ernest Moore, Gerard Robinson, David Creighton, Joseph Billington, Ethel Ray.

Pope's Prayer Intentions for January

That those from diverse religious traditions and all people of good will may work together for peace.

That in this year dedicated to consecrated life, religious men and women may rediscover the joy of following Christ and strive to serve the poor with zeal.

WORLD YOUTH DAY (WYD)'16: Krakow, Poland July 2016— Also **FLAME 2** for year 10 and above, 6-8th March 2015 only 50 places at each for our Diocese. See poster or visit www.castleriggmanor.co.uk

EXPOSITION: Sat 10.30am-Noon

Intention: for priestly vocations

CONFESSIONS:

Sat 11-12noon. Or by appointment

Rosary for Life Challenge- The

Mysteries of Light will

be prayed each day

after the 9am Masses

and before the Friday

noon Mass, for this

intention

THANK YOU: Fr. Loughran & Fr. Carden wish to thank you for the many greeting cards, gifts and generous Christmas Offerings. And to those who worked so hard to prepare and decorate the church for Christmas.

HOMELESS: We sent £750 to the Fox Street Shelter from the money put in the box at the back of church for the homeless. Thank you.

PORCH FUND: The recent cinema event raised £440.50. Thanks to those who organised and those who supported it.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS: Your loved ones names will be displayed in church by the statue of our Lady.

CONGRATULATIONS: and thanks to those who organised, took part in and supported our Carols by Candlelight. Thanks to those who gave generously to the Hodovo collection. £118.63 was raised.

DIOCESAN DIRECTORIES: (2015) on sale £3 each.

MASS REQUESTS: whilst we will do our best to accommodate requests for certain Mass times and dates, these cannot be guaranteed, and funerals always come first.

PORCH UPDATE: Our target to refurbish and extend the porch is £150,000. To date we have raised a third. Future fund raising events include: Parish Lottery (ongoing) Sportsman's Dinner, Golfing Event, Porch 'Shares'. Substantial donations would help enormously for the longer we take the higher the cost!

PORCH LOTTERY FUND: Draw for December – Roll Over to January! A £17.14'consolation prize' was won. £240 to Porch Fund. List in the notice board.

CASTLERIGG: Gap year opportunities 2015 See poster

CATHOLIC HERALD: New 'Magazine' format. Special offer 12weeks for £12 – See poster or visit www.catholicherald.co.uk

BRAVE OF HEART: A Weekend Journey for Men 23rd -25th Jan, also Called to Glory 6th -8th Feb. at St. Cuthbert's Wigton. More information in the porch.

PRESTON INTERFAITH DIALOGUE: First Thursdays. See poster.

LOURDES DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE: 24th - 31st July See Poster in porch.

Also for **YOUTH:** apply by 31.1.15 visit <u>www.castleriggmanor.co.uk</u>

LAST WEEK: Attended: 405 Offertory: £992.71: Thank you.

Fr. Loughran, Fr. Darren and Deacon Fred Wish you a happy New Year