# Services, Mass Times and Intentions

Saturday 4th Janu	uary 2025 Epiph	any of the	Lord: Holy Day of Obligation
Sat 4:30pm	All Saints	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
Sat 5:00pm	All Saints	Mass	Catherine Pimblett, Catherine Farrell, Molly & Peter Lamb
Sunday 5th Janua	ıry 2025 Epipha	ny of the L	Lord: Holy Day of Obligation
Sun 9:00am	St. Lewis	Mass	Fr Frank O'Kelly, Fiona McGuire, Elizabeth Miller
Sun 10:30am	All Saints	Mass	Geoffrey Reeves, Celia Redmond, Bill Whyte
Tuesday 7th Janu	ary 2025 Week	day of Ch	ristmas after Epiphany
Tues 11:00am	St Lewis	Requiem Mass for Maurice Touhey	
Wednesday 8th J	anuary 2025 W	eekday of	Christmas after Epiphany
Wed 9:30am	All Saints	Mass	Sheila Bowden, Delores Traynor
Wed 10-11am	All Saints	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
Thursday 9th Jan	uary 2025 Wee	kday of Ch	hristmas after Epiphany
Thurs 10.00am	St Lewis	Eucharistic Service	
Friday 10th Janua	ary 2025 Week	day of Chri	istmas after Epiphany
Fri 9:30am	All Saints	Eucharistic Service	
Sunday 11th Janu	ary 2025 Feast	of the Ba	ptism of the Lord
Sat 4:30pm	All Saints	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
Sat 5:00pm	All Saints	Mass	Jeno Polgar, Teresa Behan, C. Tirol
Sunday 12th Janu	ary 2025 Feast	of the Ba	ptism of the Lord
Sun 9:00am	St. Lewis	Mass	David Ruxton, Winifred Burke
Sun 10:30am	All Saints	Mass	Kevan, Diane & Kira McGrail Stephen & John Morley Bernard Clyne



Please remember in your prayers: the sick of our community; all those who have died recently especially Maurice Touhey and Thomas Reynolds and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.



# Newsletter for the Parishes of St. Catherine of Siena & All Saints and St. Lewis



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# **SUNDAY 5TH JANUARY 2025** THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

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Epiphany people have first to be people of faith. To be a person of faith means that we trust in God so much that we are prepared to be led, wherever God decides to take us. Faith and trust cannot be prised apart.

Their faith makes them want to worship. The wise men brought their gifts and worshipped the Lord. We bring our gold (the best we can be), our frankincense (our contribution to making the world a more beautiful place) and our myrrh (our pains and our tears as well as the comforting presence we extend to others), and with these gifts of our lives we fall on our knees before the God that our faith journey leads us ever closer to.

The wise men then left enriched by what they had seen and heard and they headed

God never wants us to stay where we are; our job is to follow the star.

Epiphany reveals Jesus to all nations. His glory is seen by people from all over the known world.



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# Archbishop Malcolm McMahon has declared the case of John (Jack) Traynor a miracle.

Jack was a pilgrim on the archdiocese's first official pilgrimage to Lourdes in 1923 and was cured dramatically of epilepsy, paralysis of the right arm and paraplegia during the pilgrimage.

The case has been believed to be miraculous from people across the archdiocese and beyond, but, despite an attempt in 1993, there has never been an official ecclesiastical declaration until now.

At the time of the archdiocesan centenary pilgrimage to Lourdes in 2023, the current President of the Lourdes Office of Medical Observations (BdCM), Dr Alessandro de Franciscis, asked Dr Kieran Moriarty, an English member of the International Medical Committee of Lourdes, to conduct a review of the file of John Traynor held in the archives at Lourdes.

Sufficient medical evidence enabled the archdiocese to reconsider the possibility that the cure of John Traynor might be declared miraculous.

Archbishop Malcolm said: "Given the weight of medical evidence, the testimony to the faith of John Traynor and his devotion to Our Blessed Lady, it is with great joy that I declare that the cure of John Traynor, from multiple serious medical conditions, is to be recognised as a miracle wrought by the power of God through the intercession of Our Lady of Lourdes.

# It is the $71^{st}$ official miracle to have happened in Lourdes and the first person from England to be recognised.

"I hope that in February 2025, during the Jubilee Year, we will have a fitting celebration at the Metropolitan Cathedral to mark this significant moment in the history of our archdiocese, helping us all to respond to the Jubilee call to be 'Pilgrims of Hope.'"

## Mardi Gras Meeting Tuesday 7th January 7pm

All Saints and St Lewis will be having a Mardi Gras at All Saints church on Saturday 1st March 2025. Mardi Gras is French for 'Fat Tuesday' and is also known as Shrove Tuesday the practice of which is the last night of consuming rich and fatty foods in preparation for the season of Lent. We will be holding an initial meeting to discuss the details this **Tuesday January 7th at 7pm at All Saints.** 

If anyone has any ideas or would like to help out, please do come along. **Everyone is Welcome**.

#### This Week's Joke:

A husband asked his wife "Why would God give the wise men a star to guide them? She replied, "Because God knows men are too proud to ask for directions"

#### All Saints Foodbank

If you are able to make food donations this week, could we please ask you to bear in mind that we are in need of the following Tinned Products:

Potatoes, Tomatoes, Rice Pudding. Long Life Milk (not oat, soya etc...)

Donations: If you make a monetary donation to the Foodbank using the envelopes provided, could you please put your envelope in with the offertory collection.

#### 2nd Collection for Gaza: Thank You

Just before Christmas we held an impromptu special collection for the people of Gaza. We appreciate it was done at short notice and so wanted to say *Thank You* as the total donated between both parishes was £1,297.19, which we know will be an enormous help. When our accounts are complete for 2024 we will confirm the 2nd collection donations you have made throughout the year.

# St Lewis PTA Christmas Fayre

A big **Thank You** to all who attended and supported our St. Lewis' PTA Christmas Fayre on 8th December - we raised a fantastic £993.17 which will be used in the new year to fund upgrades to our playground.



# Guiding Star

Lord, the sight of the guiding star, brought hope, courage and joy to those who had journeyed to find you. When our journey seems long, when hope seems far away, when our courage is failing fill us with faith and trust; shine your light on our fears, lift our hearts with your joy. Help us to recognise you in our brothers and sisters throughout the world; show us how we can work together so that we may all come to share in the life promised to us by Jesus, the Saviour of us all. **Amen** 

### The Afternoon Club

Just a reminder that the Tuesday Afternoon Club will begin meeting again at All Saints on **Tuesday 14th January** 1:30-3:30pm. **Everyone is Welcome**.

