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LITURGICAL CALENDAR OF THE WEEK

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> January – Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2026

Mass Readings: Sunday Year A, Weekdays Year II

Sun 4 <sup>th</sup> Jan	6.30pm 9.30am 11.00am	Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday SECOND SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS Family Mass	Parents of Robert William & Family Margaret Mary Cronin (RIP) Parish Family
Monday	10.00am	Monday of the Christmas Season	Anth, Sue & Kate Allman (intention)
Tuesday	10.00am 6.30pm	EPIPHANY OF THE LORD Solemnity Holyday of Obligation	Zena Grunner (RIP) K.P. Alias (Death anniv) RIP
Wednesday	10.00am	Wednesday after Epiphany	Pat Cummins
Thursday	10.00am	Thursday after Epiphany	Jim and Violet Kelly (RIP)
Friday	10.00am 2.00pm	Friday after Epiphany Funeral Service	Veronia Allman (intention) Margaret Mary Cronin (RIP)
Saturday	6.30pm	Saturday Vigil Mass for Sunday	Parish family
Sun 11 <sup>th</sup> Jan	9.30am 11.00am	THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD The Christmas Season ends Family Mass	Margaret Waugh (health) Eric Carr (RIP)
Weekend Masses	6.30pm	9.30am	11.00am
Readers	Hazel Spencer	Jewel Joby	Alicia Gabrielle Prunier
Welcomers	Roland Young	Chris Justin	Angelina Saju

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Monday to Friday at 9.30am; Saturday 6pm and Sunday 9am.

Rosary: Saturdays 6pm and Weekdays after 10am Mass.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays 5.45pm; Sundays 8.45am and Weekdays after Mass on request

Baptism: Please contact parish priest and collect the Baptism application form after Mass.

Marriage: 6 months' notice to be given.

The Gloria

Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.  
We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.  
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
have mercy on us.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father.  
Amen

The Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord,  
*(At the words that follow, up to and including 'the Virgin Mary', all bow)*  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit  
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell;  
on the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right  
hand of God the Father almighty;  
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.  
Amen

**Sick and housebound:** Please remember in your prayers all those who are sick including: Patricia Reynolds, Margaret Allman, Margaret Waugh, Patricia Cummins, Kay Casbolt, Patrick Spencer, Prue Morrison, Fosca Gorman. Sr Suzan Geoge SMMI. Please inform parish priest or email parish office to add or remove from this sick list for prayers.

**Recently Deceased:** Please keep in your prayers **Eric Carr**, husband of Ann Carr who peacefully passed away at Countess of Chester Hospital on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> December at the age of 83. Please pray for the response of his soul and keep his wife Ann, children Maria and Danny and their dear ones in your prayers.

**Funeral Service:** Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Margaret Mary Cronin** who peacefully died at home on Saturday, 20<sup>th</sup> December. Please keep her husband Tim Cronin and their dear ones in your prayers. Funeral service for Margaret Mary Cronin will be here on **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January at 2.00pm** followed by internment at Whitchurch Cemetery.

**Epiphany of the Lord:** On Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January is the Epiphany of the Lord, a holyday of obligation. There will be a Mass celebrated at 10.00am and also 6.30pm.

**Parish Census:** A new parish census being compiled to update our records. It would be a great help if all could participate in this exercise so that we have up to date parish records. Census record form is in the porch, please fill out the form and post through the presbytery door or email parish office.

**Church Heating:** Due to safety reasons we had to disconnect the gas connection to the church boiler. The modern safety standards now required to install the new boiler has further delayed the work. We are waiting for further update from the Diocesan Property Director who has promised to get the work done at the earliest. Please wrap yourself as it is cold inside the church. Thank you

**Book of Remembrance:** This is a beautiful way of honouring the memory of those who have gone before us. Please write the names of your loved ones in the form available in the porch if you wish to remember any loved ones in this way to prepare the Book of Remembrance.

**Christmas Cards:** There are a number of Christmas cards that have been left by parishioners, they are now in the porch in a basket. Please do have a look and collect if for you.

**Diocesan Vacancies:** Vacancies have arisen within the Shrewsbury Youth Mission Team for a Programme Coordinator, Youth Mission Team Member and an Administration Assistant. Further information regarding the 3 posts can be found on the Diocesan web: <https://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/latest-vacancies/> Interested parties should send their CV to Pauline McCulloch [recruitment@dioceseofshrewsbury.org](mailto:recruitment@dioceseofshrewsbury.org) Closing date Friday 23 January 2026.

**Offertory Collections:** 24/25 December £555.85, Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> December £254.50 Weekly Standing Orders - £88.00. Thank you.

**Newsletter:** if you have anything for inclusion in the newsletter, please email it by evening on Wednesday.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

It is the heartfelt desire to receive the Lord in every Eucharistic celebration, even when one is unable to physically receive the Eucharist because of distance, sickness, or any reason. Spiritual communion, in the words of St Thomas Aquinas, is “an ardent desire to receive Jesus in the Holy Sacrament and a loving embrace as though we had already received him”.

**Act of Spiritual Communion:** *My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.*