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PARISH BULLETIN 10 Jan. 2016 THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD (C) Psalter: Wk 1

SUNDAY MASS TIMES -	6.00pm (Sat)	10.00am	11.30am (Woodcote)
READERS 9-10 Jan	Jones Family	Wheatley Family	G Mc Adden
" 16-17 Jan	Walker Family	Children	S. Hart
CLEANING/FLOWERS	16 Jan – Group B (G)	16 Jan – Mrs Sims (W)	///////////////////////////////////////
COUNTERS (Next 3 weeks)	11 Jan - C Holliday	18 Jan – D. Godley	25 Jan- C. Gregory

OFFERTORY COLLECTION: 3.01.16 = £538.90p. Many thanks to all contributors & Gift Aid supporters.

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK – St Aelred (1109-1167). Abbot of Rievaulx in Yorkshire and spiritual writer on friendship. **St Hilary** (315-68). Bishop of Poitiers and a great theologian. Named a Doctor of the Church.

WHITE FLOWER SPECIAL COLLECTION- in aid of the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children, this weekend.

BISHOP'S VISITATION - Bishop William Kenney (Auxiliary Bishop in Birmingham) will be making an official visit to the parish on the w/e of 29/30 Jan.

DAY AT DOUAI- This annual parish event will take place on Sunday 28 Feb. details to follow shortly.

LOOKING AHEAD TO LENT – (which actually begins on 10 Feb) as part of the current Papal Year of Mercy and our Lenten preparation, I would like to celebrate a series of "station Masses", attended by groups of parishioners, each in a different house on one day of the week during the six weeks of Lent. 6 venues in total are needed. I propose each Wednesday (beginning 17 Feb and ending 23 Mar) and 7.30pm as the day and time. No excessive or expensive catering should be expected. Should you wish to offer your home for the Mass on one of the dates, please email or write to Fr Antony.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION – A gathering of parents of eligible children (7+ years of age) is planned for **Tue 12 Jan. at 7pm.** The purpose is to help decide on the best day/time for preparation lessons to take place. Support from parents is vital to the success of education in faith.

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION – will be conferred in Our Lady & St John, by His Grace the Archbishop of Birmingham on 4 May, at 7pm. An assembly of all candidates (13+ years of age) to arrange suitable preparation and instruction, will take place in the church on **Wed 3 Feb**, at 7pm. Parents are most welcome to attend with any helpful suggestions.

NEW PARISH ROOM & FACILITIES – Meetings of the six members of the sub-committee set up after the last Parish Meeting, to discuss the details of an extension to the west end of the church have been taking place in recent weeks. There will be a meeting of those involved on 13 Jan., to present their conclusions. Soon after, it is hoped to begin the process of inviting tenders & estimates for the work, discussion with the diocese and obtaining planning permission from the local authority so that work can at last begin.

Sun 10 Jan. THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD		Fri 15- feria	
Sat 6.00pm – Tom Brophy RIP		9.00am – Holy Hour & Benediction	
Sun 10.00am –		10.00-	
11.30am – Brigid Jones RIP	HYMNS	Sat 16- Our Lady's Saturday	
Mon 11 - feria 71		9.30am –	
10.00am –	317	6.00pm -	
Tue 12 – feria or St Aelred	327	Sun 17 – SECOND IN ORDINARY TIME	
9.30am –	298	10.00 – (Children's Mass)	
Wed 13- feria or St Hilary		11.30am –	
9.30am –		(No Vespers & Benediction at Woodcote today)	
Thu 14 - feria		(No vespers & Beneulction at woodcole loday)	
		Conference Seturdame 10.20, 11.00 and often	
9.30am –		Confession – Saturdays: 10.30–11.00am and after	
12.00 – Gwen Barford Int		6pm Mass (Goring). Confession at Woodcote: 12-	
		12.30pm, 3rd Saturday of the month. At other	
		times on call at Goring.	