



# Holy Souls' Catholic Church

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## Mass Timetable for week beginning "The Holy Family"

Date	Feast	Time	Intention
<b>Saturday 30th December 2017</b>	Sixth Day with the Octave of The Nativity of the Lord	9.30 am 10.30 am Polish <i>11.00-12.00 Confessions</i> 5.30 pm Winterton 5.30 pm	Anthony Lisle RIP Polish Priest's Intentions <i>Sacrament of Reconciliation</i> Polish Priest's Intentions Gertie Coates RIP
<b>Sunday 31st December 2017</b>	The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph	9.30 am 4.30 pm Polish 6.30 pm	Elaine & Paul Hemingway 50th Wedding Anniversary Polish Priest's Intentions Welfare of Ann Marie Hill
<b>Monday 1st January 2018</b>	Mary, The Holy Mother of God	11.00 am Polish 12.00 noon	Polish Priest's Intentions Downey Family RIP
<b>Tuesday 2nd</b>	Sts Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen	9.00 am 9.30 am Polish	Onelia Cicioni RIP Polish Priest's Intentions
<b>Wednesday 3rd</b>	Wednesday before the Epiphany	12.00 noon	Maria Reda RIP
<b>Thursday 4th</b>	Thursday before the Epiphany	9.00 am 9.30 am Polish	Adam & Mary Cooper RIP Polish Priest's Intentions
<b>First Friday 5th</b>	Friday before the Epiphany	8.30 am 9.30 am Polish 7.00 pm Polish <i>10.30 pm Adoration</i>	Brian Codd RIP Polish Priest's Intentions Polish Priest's Intentions <i>Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament</i>
<b>Saturday 6th January 2018</b>	Saturday before the Epiphany	9.30 am 10.30 am Polish <i>11.00-12.00 Confessions</i> 5.30 pm Winterton 5.30 pm	Anthony Lisle RIP Polish Priest's Intentions <i>Sacrament of Reconciliation</i> Polish Priest's Intentions People of the Parish
<b>Sunday 7th January 2018</b>	The Epiphany of The Lord	<b>9.00 am</b> 4.30 pm Polish 6.30 pm	Margaret & Michael Hallahan RIP Polish Priest's Intentions Welfare of Ann Marie Hill
<b>Adoration</b>	Wednesday: 11.00 am to 12.00 noon; Saturday 4.30 pm to 5.15 pm		

**Please pray for:** all those who have died recently, may they rest in peace; for all those who are sick and house-bound; for all those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time; that Christians, and other religious minorities in Asian countries, may be able to practice their faith in full freedom.

**Please join us in the Parish Hall for tea and coffee after the 9.30 am Sunday Mass**

**Scunthorpe General Hospital**  
For the ministrations of a Catholic priest please contact Fr Neil Peoples or Fr Emmanuel Abbem on (01724) 842197

### Pope Francis 'Tweet of the Week':

'Modesty is a virtue that is essential for anyone who wants to be like Jesus, who is meek and humble of heart.'

## This Week

### First Holy Communion Course

Sheet 5 will be available next Sunday, 7th.

### Sunday Morning Mass – Time Change

From next **Sunday (7th)** Mass will take place at **9.00 am** rather than **9.30 am**. This change will give more time for the priest to speak with people after Mass and make it less of a rush to Crowle; particularly if a priest is away.

### Stitch & Chat

Resumes on Wednesday 10th January from 1.30 pm to 3.30 pm. All welcome.

### Thanks

- Fr Eddy wishes you all a Happy and Blessed 2018 and thanks you for all your kind gifts and best wishes.
- Thank you to everyone who donated and helped to wrap the gifts for the Forge. They were delighted to receive all the Christmas gifts.
- £90 has been raised throughout the year from the sale of handmade cards by Branda Goulding. Many thanks to Brenda and all who have supported her.

### Used Stamps

A large bag of used stamps was gratefully received at the Hospice from Holy Souls. Please continue to put them in the little box by St Anthony's statue at the back of Church. Many thanks.

### Open Churches for Christian Unity Week

Holy Souls will be open for other Christians to visit on Friday 19th January from 2.30 pm to 3.30 pm. We will be celebrating the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3.00 pm. All welcome.

### And finally . . . .

"Church Ladies with typewriters" is back:

- ◆ Bertha Belch, a missionary from Africa, will be speaking tonight at Calvary Methodist. Come hear Bertha Belch all the way from Africa.
- ◆ Our youth basketball team is back in action Wednesday at 8 pm in the recreation hall. Come out and watch us kill Christ the King.
- ◆ Next Thursday there will be try-outs for the choir. They need all the help they can get.
- ◆ Barbara remains in the hospital and needs blood donors for more transfusions. She is also having trouble sleeping and requests tapes of Pastor Jack's sermons.
- ◆ During the absence of our Pastor, we enjoyed the rare privilege of hearing a good sermon when J F Stubbs supplied our pulpit.
- ◆ The Rector will preach his farewell message after which the choir will sing "Break Forth into Joy."
- ◆ Please place your donation in the envelope along with the deceased person you want remembered.
- ◆ Potluck supper Sunday at 5:00 pm - prayer and medication to follow.
- ◆ Ladies Bible Study will be held Thursday morning at 10. All ladies are invited to lunch in the Fellowship Hall after the BS is done.

### Peoples' Ponderings

Thanks to everyone who helped with the Christmas Services, from my point of view everything seemed to go well! The sudden unforeseen changes have highlighted that we may have to be more imaginative with our Mass times next year to make sure we can cover Holy Souls and St Norbert's with one priest, giving us a little bit of flexibility to help across the Deanery.

This coming year we will be focusing on the Blessed Sacrament as we prepare for the Eucharistic Congress in Liverpool in September. I would strongly encourage you to pray for an increase in vocations to the Priesthood during this year. In our Diocese, God willing, we will have three Ordinations to the Priesthood this year but that will leave us with only two men in the seminary once the ordinations have happened. So we certainly need to be praying and encouraging people to consider the vocation to priesthood.

The low number of people training means that in the coming years we will have fewer priests so more compromises will have to take place to continue to offer the Sacraments across the Diocese.

The start of the new year also sees many of the priests taking a well-earned post-Christmas break with Fr Emmanuel away for the next few weeks; so a little prayer for me would be very welcome.

I pray that you and your families have a Blessed and Holy 2018.

Fr Neil

