

# St German's Church

25 December 2017 - The Nativity of Our Lord



For Christians, the mystery of Christ's birth remains a source of great joy and peace. The wonder at how great an event is Christmas sustains us in our mission and desire to be God's people here on earth. We pray that all may encounter the mystery of God who is with us, who loves us and who was willing to become an infant child so that we might live in peace forever with our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. May the blessings of the Christ Child illumine your hearts and minds and gift you with spiritual treasure

## Parish Notes:

**Christmas Services:** Sun 24 Dec 8:00 Mass for the Homeless at St German's (all are welcome); 4:00 pm Crib Service and 1st Mass of Christmas in St Saviour's; 6:00pm Crib Service and 1st Mass of Christmas in St German's; 11:00pm Midnight Mass in St German's; Mon 25 Dec 9:30 am Sung Mass for Christmas in St Saviour's.

**Cardiff Churches Nightshelter** has now begun. We are very grateful for all the support and gifts offered to be given to those we will host this year. A special thank you to all of you who have volunteered to help out at one of the sessions and to those who have generously given clothes and other items. We are pausing our collection for now as your generosity means we now have more than enough for the next few months. As ever, please keep the work of the Churches Nightshelter in your prayers.

**Thank You** - to all who do so much to support the life and mission of our parish.

**Services** - No Wed mass this week in St German's - daily masses as normal in St Saviour's. .

**Epiphany** - The feast of the Epiphany will be celebrated in St German's on Sunday 7 Jan at 11am and Monday 8 Jan we celebrate the feast of the Baptism of the Lord at 6pm.

**Cardiff Foodbank** - urgent items: tinned tomatoes, fruit juice (concentrate), rice pudding tins, sponge pudding, tinned fruit. Not needed: beans, cereals, tea, pasta.

**Christian Unity** - the week of prayer for Christian Unity is 18-25 January 2018. There will be a Churches Together joint service in St Alban's Church on Sunday 21 January 2018 at 6pm.

## READINGS THIS WEEK

**6pm:** Isaiah 62:1-5; Psalm 96; Matthew 1:18-25

**11pm:** Isaiah 9:1-7; Ps 96; Titus 1:11-14; Luke 2:1-14

## READINGS NEXT WEEK

**Genesis 15:1-6;21:1-3  
Ps 105  
Hebrews 11:8,11-12,17-19  
Luke 2:22-40**

## PSALM RESPONSE

**'Today a Saviour has  
been born to us; he is  
Christ the Lord.' (4vs)**

## This week:

### Mon 25:

9:30am (St S)  
THE NATIVITY OF  
OUR LORD

### Tues 26:

10am Mass (St S)  
St Stephen Proto  
Martyr

### Wed 27:

No Mass today  
St John the Evangelist

### Thur 14:

5:45pm Mass (St S)  
The Holy Innocents

### Fri 28:

6pm Mass (St S)

### Sat 29:

11am Mass (St S.)

### Sun 30: The Holy Family

#### *St Saviour's:*

9:30 Sung Mass;

#### *St German's:*

11:00 am Sung Mass

## Keep in touch:

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