



Working with Deaf, Deafblind and Hard of Hearing people of all ages, to facilitate and enable them to participate fully in the life of the Church, sharing their own gifts.



January 2025
Epiphany of the Lord Year C
Fr Keith Stoakes

Week of prayer for Christian Unity 18th -25th January

2025 celebrates the 1,700th anniversary of the creation of the Nicene Creed. The 8 days are an opportunity to think about the common faith of Christians as written in the Creed.

- Day 1:** The fatherhood and motherhood of God who rules the universe.
- 2:** Creation as God’s work
- 3:** The Incarnation of the Son
- 4:** The Paschal Mystery: Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus
- 5:** The Holy Spirit, breath of God
- 6:** The Church: Community of believers
- 7:** Baptism into the Death and Resurrection of the Lord
- 8:** Waiting for the Kingdom

Signs of Hope... Do you have a problem you would like to talk to someone about confidentially?



Deaf Counselling

Do you need some support through a difficult time in your life?

Do you find it difficult to cope with life sometimes?

Maybe counselling would help.

Counselling is fully confidential, Deaf-Aware and available in BSL, SSE, Deafblind Manual Alphabet or Spoken English (mini-loop available).

Contact: Nikki Dhillon Keane email: signsofhope@rcdow.org.uk sms: 07936 939522

Vaughan House, 46 Francis Street, London SW1P 1QN

Any counsellor working for Westminster diocese is fully qualified and either BACP accredited or eligible for BACP accreditation. All counsellors would follow the BACP Code of Ethic and Practice

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Collection £99.00 Mary’s Meals £13.50 ADVP £3.38 ADVP Raffle £123.00

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Safeguarding is everyone’s responsibility

If you have any safeguarding concerns please contact a member of the team

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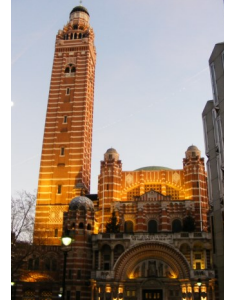


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Deaf Community Mass in Westminster Cathedral Hall

Join us on Sunday 5th January 4:30p.m.
at Westminster Cathedral Hall, Ambrosden Avenue, Victoria SW1P 1QH

Please do not come to Mass if you are not well
with something that other people might catch e.g. flu, Covid, upset stomach



Mass in Word and Sign at St Mary and St Michael, Commercial Road

Sunday 12th January 10.30am
at 2 Lukin Street, Commercial Road E1 0AA

How to get there: The nearest bus stops are 15, 115 and 135
The nearest train and DLR stations are Shadwell



NEW YEAR

Happy

Solemn Blessing - The Beginning of the Year

Let God give you grace and keep you safe all through the year.

Amen

Let God help you be faithful, strong in hope and persevere in charity with holy patience always.

Amen

Let God give you peace all your life in all you do, answer your prayers everywhere, and lead you to eternal life.

Amen

Prayer from the Deaf Sacramentary

There are other online signed Masses that you can watch. Please check on each website for full details

- Fr Paul Fletcher SJ, Jesuit Oratory, Manchester

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCPp6JYixqJsWkiCQ2OdLzhg>

or follow the Catholic Deaf Association on Facebook

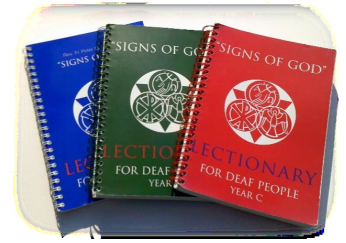
- Fr Patrick Devlin, Hannahstown Parish, Belfast (St Joseph's Church webcam) Sunday 11.30a.m.

<https://www.parishofhannahstown.com/copy-of-mass-times>



Bible Study

Join us on
Tuesday 14th January
11.30am - 1pm
Theme: Frankincense



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Also available at 11am on Facebook and YouTube
or SMS to ask for a printed copy

Join us as we discover more about the bible together



Deaf Lunch Club

Tuesday 21st January
11a.m. - 3.30pm in the Hinsley Room



If you want to join this group please come and chat to Shell

On the day: - Please SMS before 9am

Shell or Sarah to let us know that you are coming so we can cater for the right number of people

Please don't come if you feel unwell or you have something other people can catch
e.g. flu, Covid , upset stomach



Mass in Honour of Our Lady of Lourdes

Includes Anointing of the Sick

Saturday 8th February

Mass starts at 2p.m.

in
Westminster Cathedral,
Victoria Street, London
SW1P 1QW

*You must be seated by **1.30pm**

Interested?

Book your seat or wheelchair space today



Isaiah 60 1-6 Ephesians 3:2-3, 5-12 Matthew 2:1-12

Jesus was born in Bethlehem during the time when King Herod ruled. The wise men saw a star and came from the East. They asked, 'Where is the baby born to be king of the Jews? We saw his star when it came up in the East and we have come to worship him.' When King Herod heard this he was very worried. All the people in Jerusalem were worried too. King Herod had a meeting with all the Jewish priests and scribes (writers). He asked, 'Where will the baby be born?' They replied, 'In Bethlehem because in the scriptures (Bible), the prophet wrote: "A leader will come from Bethlehem and he will shepherd my people Israel."' Then King Herod asked to see the wise men privately. He wanted to know the exact date when they first saw the star. Then he sent the wise men to Bethlehem, telling them, 'Go, look carefully for the baby, and when you have found him, let me know so I can come to worship him.' The wise men went on their journey and again they saw the star. They were filled with joy. They followed it and the star stopped over the place where the baby was. They went into the place and they saw the baby with his Mother Mary, then they knelt down and worshipped him. They gave him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. But in a dream, they received a warning not to go back to king Herod; they went home a different way.

Hidden in the word search are words from the Gospel reading above including one extra word. See if you can find them!

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BETHLEHEM FOLLOWED JESUS EAST BABY JEWISH LEADER
 JOURNEY SHEPHERD KING LOOK KNELT FOUND MOTHER

The hidden word in December was REIGN