

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! The word became flesh, and dwelt among us. To all who received him he gave power to become children of God. Alleluia!**

Gospel: John 1:35-42
We have found the Messiah.

Communion Antiphon: **By this the love of God was revealed to us: God sent his only Begotten Son into the world, so that we might have life through him.**

Saturday, 5th January

Saturday of Christmas Time

**Memorial in Staffordshire of
St Charles of St Andrew**

Andrew Houben was born in Munstergeleen, Holland in 1821. After Military service he entered the Passionists in 1845 at Ere in Belgium, where he was given the religious name of St Charles of St Andrew. After ordination he came to England and worked in the Passionist Missions at Aston Hall, Cotton and Broadway and was later transferred to the Mount Argus retreat centre in Dublin. He ministered to hundreds of people and was canonised in 2007.

Entrance Antiphon: **God sent his Son, born of a woman, so that we might receive adoption as children.**

First Reading: 1 John 3:11-21
We have passed out of death and into life because we love our brothers.

Responsorial Psalm: **Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.**

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! At various times in the past and in various different ways, God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets; but in our own time, the last days, he has spoken to us through his Son. Alleluia!**

Gospel: John 1:43-51
You are the Son of God, you are the King of Israel.

Communion Antiphon: **From his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace.**

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WEEKDAY MASS SHEET

**31st December – 5th January
Christmas Week One**



Monday, 31st December

**Seventh Day within the Octave of the
Nativity of the Lord**

**Optional Commemoration of
St Sylvester I, Pope**

St Sylvester was Pope while Constantine was Emperor of Rome. He defended the Church's teaching on the nature of Christ against the Donatist schism and the Arian Heresy. He died in 335.

Entrance Antiphon: **A child is born for us, and a son is given to us; his sceptre of power rests upon his shoulder, and his name will be called Messenger of great counsel.**

The **Gloria** is said.

First Reading: 1 John 2:18-21
You have been anointed by the Holy One and have all received the knowledge.

Responsorial Psalm: **Let the heavens rejoice and earth be glad.**

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! A hallowed day has dawned upon us. Come, you nations, worship the Lord, for today a great light has shone down upon the earth. Alleluia!**

Gospel: John 1:1-18
The Word was made flesh.

Communion Antiphon: **God sent his Only Begotten Son into the world, so that we might have life through him.**

Tuesday, 1st January 2019

**SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER
OF GOD**

Entrance Antiphon: **Hail, Holy Mother, who gave birth to the King, who rules heaven and earth for ever.**

The **Gloria** is said.

First Reading: Numbers 6:22-27
They are to call down my name on the sons of Israel, and I will bless them.

Responsorial Psalm: **O God, be gracious and bless us.**

Second Reading: Galatians 4:4-7
God sent his Son, born of a woman.

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! At various times in the past and in various ways, God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets; but in our own time, the last days, he has spoken to us through his Son. Alleluia!**

Gospel: Luke 2:16-21
They found Mary and Joseph and the baby...When the eighth day came, they gave him the name Jesus.

The **Creed** is said.

Communion Antiphon: **Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and for ever.**

Wednesday, 2nd January

**St Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen,
Bishops and Doctors of the Church**

Basil was bishop of Caesarea and Gregory bishop of Constantinople. They were 4th century theologians and gave much to the early Church, including helping form the creed we say at Mass today.

Entrance Antiphon: **Let the peoples recount the wisdom of the Saints, and let the Church proclaim their praise. Their names will live on and on.**

First Reading: 1 John 2:22-28
Keep alive in yourselves what you were taught in the beginning.

Responsorial Psalm: **All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.**

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! The word became flesh, and dwelt among us. To all who received him he gave power to become children of God. Alleluia!**

Gospel: John 1:19-28
One is coming after me who existed before me.

Communion Antiphon: **We proclaim Christ crucified; Christ, the power of God and the wisdom of God.**

Thursday, 3rd January

**Weekday of Christmas Time or
The Most Holy Name of Jesus**

Many call upon the name of Jesus and we are reminded that 'Jesus' means 'God Saves'.

Entrance Antiphon: **In the beginning and before all ages, the Word was God and he humbled himself to be born the Saviour of the world.**

Holy Name Antiphon: **At the name of Jesus, every knee should bend, of those in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.**

First Reading: 1 John 2:29-3:6
Anyone who lives in God does not sin.

Responsorial Psalm: **All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.**

Gospel Acclamation: **Alleluia, alleluia! A hallowed day has dawned upon us. Come you nations, worship the Lord, for today a great light has shone down upon the earth. Alleluia!**

Gospel: John 1:29-34
Look, there is the lamb of God.

Communion Antiphon: **God so loved the world that he gave his Only Begotten Son, so that all who believe in him may not perish, but may have eternal life.**

Holy Name Antiphon: **O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name through all the earth!**

Friday, 4th January

Weekday of Christmas Time

Entrance Antiphon: **A light has risen in the darkness for the upright of heart; the Lord is generous, merciful and just.**

First Reading: 1 John 3:7-10
He cannot sin when he has been begotten by God.

Responsorial Psalm: **All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.**