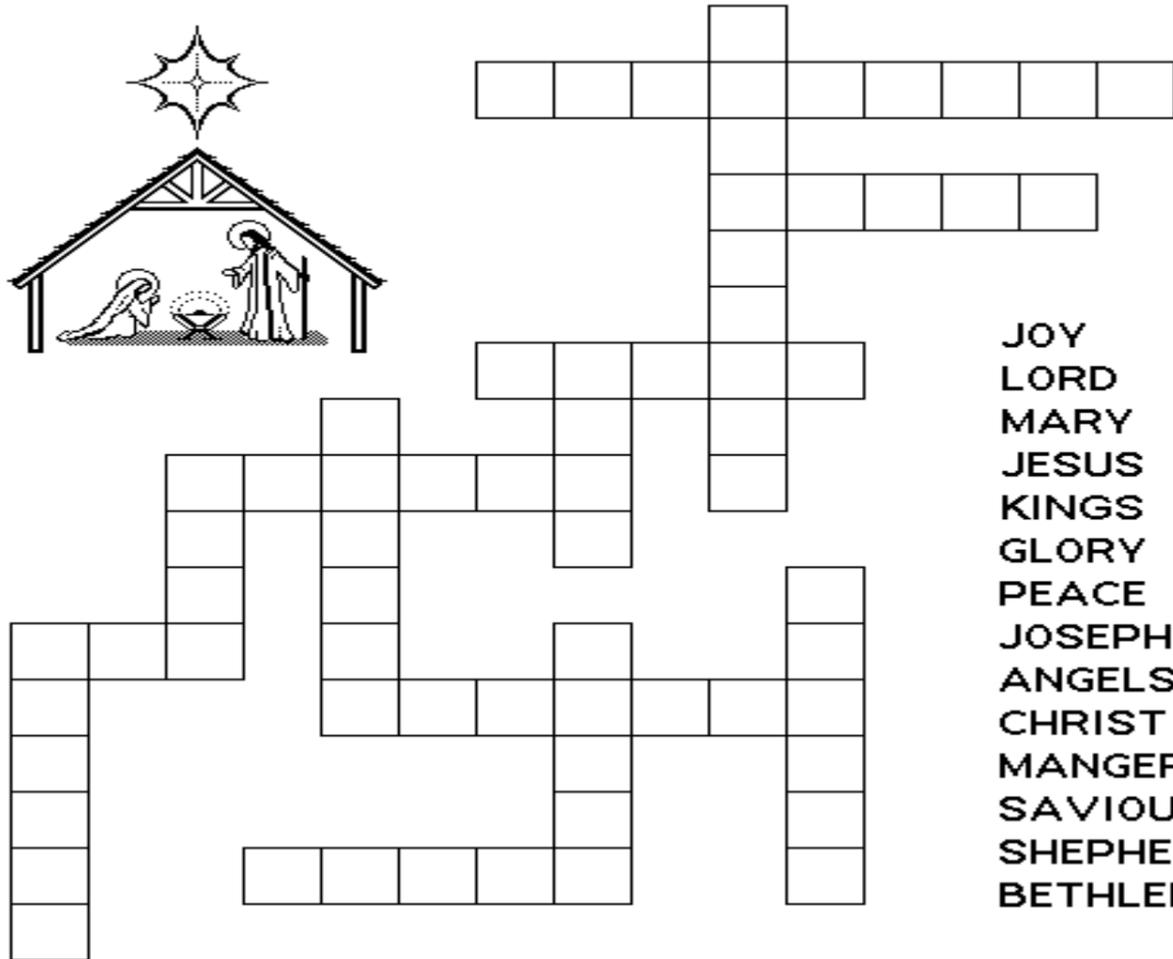


Kids Corner

Christmas Crossword

Make all the words fit into this crossword.
Each word is only used once.



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MUSINGS

The magi (wise men) have played a prominent role in the Christmas story since about the fifth century. Appearing only in the Gospel of Matthew, he doesn't tell us how many there were; the number three was later deduced from the reference to three gifts. Their later portrayal as kings riding camels was inspired by two passages in Isaiah - a reference to the nations which 'shall come to your light and kings to your dawning brightness' (Isa 60:3) and some lines further on, 'a multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah ... they shall bring gold and frankincense and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord' (Isa 60:6).

Salvador Ryan, St Patrick's College, Maynooth



O Crucified Jesus have mercy on me,
My soul and my body I give unto thee
The five bleeding wounds that hung from a tree
O Crucified Jesus have mercy on me
The five bleeding wounds you suffered for me.

**The Divine Mercy
Holy Hour is
Wednesday 3-4pm
in the church all
are welcome.**



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4th January—2nd Sunday of Christmas



Thought for the Week

The Christian family is missionary: it announces the love of God to the world. - Pope Francis

THE DEEP END • Putting down roots

What does it mean to 'have roots'? We talk about having family roots as a way of describing our connection to a place or people. Having roots somewhere means we are part of that place. When we are ready to settle down, to become part of a community and maybe even start a family, we talk about 'putting down roots'. It means we are making this place our home.

It is a lovely metaphor from the plant world. A tree's roots represent its relationship with the soil it is planted in and with the elements around it. The deeper the roots, the more connected a plant is to its environment.

Today's First Reading speaks of the wisdom of God 'taking root in a privileged people'. It describes it another way as 'pitching a tent'. These images offer us a way into understanding the more complex language of today's Gospel, which talks about God's relationship with us when he sent his Son: 'The Word was made flesh, he lived among us'.

When God became man, he put down roots – not just in our physical world, but in humanity itself. He pitched his tent among us and became one of us. It is a connection that cannot be broken – the roots go too deep. This is the mystery we celebrate at Christmas. We are indeed a privileged people!

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Rev Jimmy Fennell: 455 5368

St Agnes Church Mass Times

Weekday Masses:- 9.00am;
10.00 am; 7.00pm

Saturday Vigil Mass:- 7.00pm

Sunday Masses:- 9.30am;
11.00 am (Family);
12.30pm (Choir); 7.00pm

Holy day Masses:- 7.00pm Vigil;
9.00am; 10.00am; 7.00pm

Confession Times

Saturdays from 10.30am to
11.30am & 6.45pm

Eve of First Fridays after
10.00am Mass & 6.45pm



COFFEE DOCK

The Coffee Dock in St Agnes
Parish Centre is open
Monday to Friday from
10.00am-12.00 noon.



Call in any day to savour the friendly
atmosphere, have a cuppa and some
chat with neighbours and friends

Last Weekend's Collections

1st Collection: € 3,168

Share: € 1,391

Family Offering: € 1,395

*Many thanks for your continued
support and generosity*

Feast of the Epiphany—6th January 2015

Tuesday 6th January is the Feast Day of the Epiphany and is a Holy Day of Obligation.

Masses will be celebrated as follows in St Agnes Church

Monday 5th January: 7.00pm Vigil Mass

Tuesday 6th January: 9.00am & 10.00am and 7.00pm

Women's Christmas

Little Christmas is also called **Women's Christmas** (Irish: *Nollaig na mBan*), and sometimes *Women's Little Christmas*. The tradition, still very strong in Cork and Kerry is so called because of the Irish men taking on all the household duties for the day. Most women hold parties or go out to celebrate the day with their friends, sisters, mothers, and aunts. Bars and restaurants serve mostly women and girls on this night. Children often buy presents for their mothers and grandmothers.

Christmas Dues Spare envelopes available at Church exits. Christmas dues help to support the Priests of the parish. They are an important source of income for the Clergy. We thank you most sincerely for your generosity in the past.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 3rd January 2015

Anniversaries

Joseph Moore 3rd
Chrissie McHugh 1st
Nora O'Malley 8th
Elizabeth & Gerard Delmar

Sunday 4th January 2015

9.30am Priests Intentions

11.00am **Anniversaries**

Kathleen Nolan

12.30pm **Anniversaries**

Vincent Graham 1st
Edward Rabbitt
Lily Hogan
Ann Fennell

7.00pm Pro Populo

Monday 5th January 2015

7.00pm Mary & Brendan Gleeson (A)

Tuesday 6th January 2015

9.00am Nan Byrne (A)
Gabriel Hamilton 45th Anniv
7.00pm Lena Boyle 4th Anniversary

May their Souls and the Souls of all the Faithful departed Rest In Peace. Amen

All Mass Intentions should be booked in the Parish Office no later than midday on the Wednesday before the Sunday Masses.

The Parish is planning a Pilgrimage to Shrines of Europe - Fatima, Santiago De Compostela and Lourdes from 28 August to 6 September 2015 - €799 including tax and insurance per person (sharing).

If interested please call to the parish office for further details and to leave your contact details.

St. Joseph's Young Priests Society

Our next meeting will be On Thursday 8th January in the Camac Room in the Parish Centre after 10.00am Mass

All Are Welcome



Anam Cara is holding its monthly Parent Evening on Monday 12th of January 2015 from 19:30 to 21:00 in Dominics Community Centre, 60 Avonbeg Gardens, Tallaght, Dublin 24. Anam Cara Services are available free of charge to all bereaved parents. For further information please see our website at www.anamcara.ie email us at info@anamcara.ie or call 01 4045378.

Recently Deceased

Patrick Connolly, Sycamore Ave
Michael O'Gorman, Brandon Rd
Paddy Higgins, Raphoe Road
Muriel Healy, Cherryfield Rd
Patrick Kerrigan, Brandon Rd
William Cullen, Bangor Rd
William Ryan, Kildare Rd
Elizabeth Ward, Windmill Pk
Kathleen Cox, Cherryfield Road
May They All Rest in Peace. Amen.



St Agnes Parish Reader's Roster

If you cannot make your scheduled Reading please contact John Green

Saturday 10th January 2015

7:00pm Ciaran Heavey

Sunday 11th January 2015

9:30am John Green

11:00am Mary Finnegan

12:30pm Catherine Nagle

7:00pm John Green

The Week Ahead...

Sunday 4th 2nd Sunday of Christmas
Monday 5th St Charles of Mount Argus
Tuesday 6th Feast of the Epiphany
Wednesday 7th St Raymond
Thursday 8th
Friday 9th
Saturday 10th

Masses next week return to the usual times
9.00am, 10.00am, 7.00pm.

The Parish Offices reopens Monday 5th January at the usual Times.

The Oratory is open again from Monday for adoration all are welcome.



Christmas Carols



Please Join with us in Singing Our Carols this Christmas and New Year

Adeste Fideles

1. Adeste fideles, laeti triumphantes,
Venite, venite in Bethlehem.
Natum videte, regem angelorum,
Venite adoremus, venete adoremus,
venete adoremus dominum.
2. Deum de Deo, lumen de lumine,
Gestant puellae viscera.
Deum verum, genitum non factum,
Venite adoremus, venete adoremus,
venete adoremus dominum.

Away in a Manger

1. Away in a manger, no crib for a bed,
the little Lord Jesus laid down his sweet head,
the star in the bright sky looked down where he lay,
the little Lord Jesus asleep in the hay.
2. The cattle are lowing, the baby awakes,
But little Lord Jesus no crying he makes,
I love thee Lord Jesus look down from the sky,
And stay by my side until morning is high.
3. Be near me Lord Jesus; I ask thee to stay
close by me forever and love me I pray.
Bless all the dear children in thy tender care
and fit us for heaven, to live with thee there.

While Shepherds Watched

1. While shepherds watched their flocks by night,
all seated on the ground,
the angel of the Lord came down,
and glory shone around
2. "Fear not", said he, for mighty dread,
Had seized their troubled mind.
"Glad tidings of great joy I bring to you and all mankind"
3. "All glory be to God on high, and on the earth be peace;
Good will henceforth from heaven to men,
begin and never cease.

Once in Royal David's City

1. Once in royal David's city Stood a lowly cattle shed,
Where a mother laid her baby In a manger for his bed;
Mary was that mother mild,
Jesus Christ her little child.
2. He came down to earth from heaven,
Who is God and Lord of all, And his shelter was a stable,
And his cradle was a stall;
With the poor, and mean, and lowly,
Lived on earth our Saviour holy.

Silent Night

1. Silent night, holy night, all is calm, all is bright
round yon virgin, mother and child;
Holy infant so tender and mild,
sleep in heavenly peace, sleep in heavenly peace.
2. Silent night, holy night, Shepherds quake at the sight,
glories stream from heaven afar,
Heavenly hosts sing alleluia;
Christ the Saviour is born, Christ the Saviour is born.
3. Silent night, holy night, Son of God, loves pure light,
Radiant beams from thy holy face,
with the dawn of redeeming grace,
Jesus, Lord at thy birth, Jesus Lord at thy birth.

Angels we have heard on high

1. Angels we have heard on high,
sweetly singing o'er the plains,
and the mountains in reply echo still their joyous strains
Ref: *Gloria in excelsis Deo, Gloria in excelsis Deo.*
2. Shepherds why this jubilee?
Why your rapturous strain prolong?
Say what may your tidings be,
which inspire your heavenly song. **Ref.**
3. Come to Bethlehem and see
Him whose birth the angels sing;
come, adore on bended knee,
Christ our Lord the new born king. **Ref.**
4. See within a manger laid,
Jesus, Lord of Heaven and earth.
Mary, Joseph, lend your aid,
while our hearts in love we raise. **Ref.**

The First Nowell

1. The first Nowell the angel did say,
was to certain poor shepherds in fields as they lay;
in fields where they lay keeping their sheep,
On a cold winter's night that was so deep.
Ref: *Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Nowell, Born is the King of Israel!*
2. They looked up and saw a star,
shining in the east, beyond them far,
and to the earth it gave great light,
and so it continued both day and night. **Ref.**

O come all ye faithful

1. O come all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem;
Come and behold Him born the King of Angels.
Ref: *O come let us adore him, O come let us adore him,
O come let us adore him, Christ the Lord.*
2. Sing choirs of angels, sing in exultation,
Sing, all ye citizens of heaven above,
Glory to God in the highest. **Ref.**
3. Now Lord, we greet you, born this happy morning,
Jesus to you be glory given,
word of the Father now in flesh appearing. **Ref.**

Hark the Herald Angels Sing

1. Hark the herald angels sing, glory to the new born king,
peace on earth and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled;
Joyful all ye nations rise,
Join the triumph of the skies, with angelic hosts proclaim,
Christ is born in Bethlehem.
Ref: *Hark the herald angels sing, Glory to the new born King.*
2. Christ by highest heaven adored,
Christ the everlasting Lord,
late in time behold him come,
offspring of the Virgin's womb;
veiled in flesh the Godhead see;
hail the incarnate deity, pleased as man with man to dwell,
Jesus our Emmanuel. **Ref.**

