		I	MASSES FROM 13th to 20th Dec 2015		
Sun	13	9.30am	Anthonia & Samuel Aikhionbare (Wedding Anni)		
		11:30am	Patsy Moore (RIP)		
		3.00pm	Inaugural Mass for the Year of mercy		
Mon	14	9.30am	Wendy & Jim Trill (Wed Anni) Monday Club (Thanks giving)		
Tue	15	9.30am	Annie Downey (RIP) Idoma Chukwuemeka (Thanks giving)		
Wed 16 9:30		9:30am	Kathleen Gill (Anni) Terence & Winifred Maloney (Anni)		
Thurs	17	6.30pm	Adoration		
1		7.00pm	Francis Muttath (RIP) Martha Ovwigho (RIP)		
Fri	18	9.30am	Mary Francis (RIP) Ken Vaughan (RIP)		
1		7.00pm	Parish Penitential Service		
Sat	19	9:30am	Hannah Mae Brosnan (RIP) Patrick Keoghan (RIP)		
10.00a	am-11	1.00am Exp	osition of the Blessed Sacrament(No Confessions)		
Sun	20	9.30am	Emmanuel & Betty Osagie (Wedding Anni)		
			Robert McGorman (Anni) Anne Dunnion (RIP)		
		11.30am	Patrick Keoghan (RIP)		
			Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers		

Weeken	<u>d 13th December 2015</u>	Weekend 20th December 2015		
9.30 am	Asipita, Elena	Sue Cutter, Roisin		
	Bridie (E)	Betty osagie (E)		
11.30am	Mika, Cynthia	Kingsley, Patrick		
	Vera, Serso (E)	Loveness, Sr Lydwin (E)		

<u>Recently Departed</u>: Ken Vaughan, Sr Imelda ,Robert Skelly, Patrick Cosgrove, Imelda Haddock.

<u>Anniversaries during this Week:</u> Jack Sheehan, John Cain, Andy McHugh, Jozef Conka, Josephine Battles, Patrick Meehan, Nora Herbert, Allen Leslie Randall, Michael Oliver Hickey, Cornelius John Morris, Edward Donnelly, Don McCaffer, Catherine Dunnion, Tom Heavey, John O'Reilly, Bridget Hayden, Kathleen Gill, Bridget Agnes Rafferty, Rita O'Sullivan, Ann Dunnion, James McMenus, Denis Joseph Buckley, Robert McGorman, Bridie Mooney, Jack McCullough, Frank Martin, Daniel Prosser, John Masterson, Ann Plunkett.

Please pray for the sick of the Parish:, Eileen McHugh, Tony McKiernan, Theodor Vaz, Mary Mulroney, Philomena Dunleavy, John Curriston, Gerard Griffith, Paul Kordes, Diana Best, Jim Crean, Tess Pearkes, Sheila McElaney, Sheila Clear, Janie Patalong, Tom Duignan, Thomas Murtagh, Job Giles, Maria Drabik, Danny Diver, Michael Clear, Anne Creed, Mary O'Sullivan, Max Gorman, John Kerrigan, Nora O'Brien, Sean Harte, Eamon Finlan, Phyllis Mulvey, Kath Muldoon.



Parish Newsletter Third Sunday of Advent 13th to 20th Dec 2015

THERE IS A HOLY DOOR OF MERCY AT ST. MARY'S

It sounds incredible but that is the truth. The Door of Mercy will open at St. Mary's this afternoon. The Year of mercy is a general amnesty given to us by God through the Vicar of Christ on earth the Roman Pontiff. It sounds incredible but remember the saying of Jesus to Peter, '*I will give you the keys of the King-dom of Heaven, whatever you bound on earth shall be considered bound in Heaven and whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in Heaven*'.

The Holy Father has declared an indulgence to be received by all who will observe and live a life founded on mercy. He wishes that the Jubilee indulgence reaches each one as a genuine experience of God's mercy, which comes to meet each person in the face of the Father who welcomes and forgives, the sins committed. In practice to experience and to obtain the indulgence the faithful are called to make a pilgrimage to the Holy Door, open in every Cathedral or churches designated by the Diocesan Bishop as a sign of the deep desire for true conversion. It is important that this moment is linked first and foremost to the Sacrament of Reconciliation and the celebration of the Holy Mass with a reflection on Mercy.

Let us rediscover the deep meaning of God's mercy by doing spiritual and corporal works of mercy to others ourselves.

When we are merciful our hearts are transformed to become like the heart of Jesus full of mercy and compassion bruised for our offences, obedient unto death.

Throughout the Jubilee year of mercy, St. Mary's Church will be our Shrine through whose door we shall pass to call on the mercy of God for our sins and for the sins of the whole world. This Jubilee year excludes no one. We are all invited and welcomed to the throne of mercy. *'This is the favourable time; this is the day of Salvation'* (2Cor. 6: 2).



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Parish Development

Collection: Gift Aid: 171.15 Non-Gift Aid 589.30 Total:£ 760.45 Poor Parishes £ 318.37 Thank you. Counters 13th December Agnes Heffernan, Tom Ferris Bonus Ball Christmas Special : No 32 Genet Mass Attendance 6th December **667** Train a Apostles of Jesus Priest **Second Collection:**17th January 2016 Pax Christi 24th January 2016 Catholic Education service

Pious Devotions

Divine Mercy prayers every last Thursday of the month 6.30 - 7.30pm. **Prayer for priests** every first Friday of the month from 6.30 - 7.30pm. **Rosa Mystica** on 13^{th} of every month between 2.00pm & 3.00pm. The Lady's chapel at St. Mary's is open from 9:00am to 7:00pm from Monday to Friday. It is closed on Wednesday.

If any parishioner is sick or in hospital, please inform the Parish Priest or one of the Sisters. It is important that Catholics on admission to hospital ask for their religion to be recorded and request a visit from the Catholic Chaplain.

Pastoral Matters

<u>Christmas Crib collection</u>: There is a growing need for priests all over the world. Last years Crib collection was sent to buy books to train priests who study at the Apostles of Jesus Missionary Institute in Nairobi. Since the demand for books to train priests is ongoing, I will request that our Crib collection this year will go to that cause. We pray that God sends to his people holy priests to reach out his mercy.

Christmas Raffle prizes to be claimed:			Food Hamper Raffles					
2nd Prize	No 1413							
3rd Prize	No 5909	1st Prize	Pink Ticket	516-520	AD 807143			
6th Prize	No 8461	2nd Prize	e Green Ticket	96-100	AD813228			
8th Prize No 7916 Christmas special Bonus Ball No 12								
Please collect your prizes at the piety stall.								

<u>Christmas Parish Penitential service</u> at St Mary's will be on Friday 18th December 2015 at 7.00pm. There will be priests from the deanery who will assist us in individual Confessions. Let us all approach the throne of mercy through the Sacrament of Confession as a preparation for the birth of our Saviour Jesus Christ who is the face of the Father's mercy and experience the boundless mercy of the Father.

<u>We welcome Sr Julia Victor</u>, the Vicar General of the Sisters of St Ann, our parish Sisters who is with us this weekend. Sister has come on a canonical visit to the sisters and also to see us all. It's indeed a great joy to have you with us Sr Julia especially as we inaugurate the Jubilee year of Mercy today in our diocese. May your visit be fruitful and your stay be a pleasant one among us.

New Year's Eve: We shall have a thanksgiving Mass on Wednesday 31st Dec at 7.00pm thanking the Lord for all the blessings we have received from his bounty during the course of the year 2015. We shall ask for his blessings and mercy upon us as we usher in the New Year 2016. More details will follow.

Lectors meeting for all those who take up readings at the 11.30am Mass will be this Sunday 13th December immediately after the 11.30am Mass in the Lady's chapel. If you wish to give your service as a lector please do come and join the team.

<u>Marriage Banns:</u> Esther Ngozika Egbuna, daughter of Raymond Okoye Egbuna and Philomena Okoye Egbuna of Mgbudu village, Ichida-Anambra State, Nigeria, would like to get married to Pascal Chukwunelo Ezennaka, son of Mr and Mrs Sunday Ezennaka of Ugwu Dunu village, Neni Anambra State, Nigeria. If there is anybody who knows why they should not get married to each other, let him come and inform Fr Jimmy.

Christmas Mass Times

 $24^{\text{th}}\,\text{Dec}\,\text{Vigil}\,\text{Mass}$ for children 6.00pm followed by Carol singing at 7.30pm

- 24th Dec Vigil Mass for adults 8.00pm
- $\rm 25^{th}$ Dec Christmas Day Masses at 9.30am and 11.30am