

# The Sacred Heart Church, Wadhurst

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## Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> January – The Epiphany of the Lord

Sat 6<sup>th</sup> 6pm – St Thomas

Sun 7<sup>th</sup> 10am - Sacred Heart –

Wed 10<sup>th</sup> 10am - Sacred Heart – John Burlison R.I.P

Sat 13<sup>th</sup> 6pm – Sacred Heart

Sun 14<sup>th</sup> 10.30am – St Thomas

Graveyard: Gates are open weekends 9am - 1pm.

Confessions: After Mass on Wednesday's or by appointment with Fr Patrick

Exposition: First Friday, 9.00am – 10.00am

Mothers Prayers: Contact the Parish Office

Parish Office opening hours:

Wednesday & Friday 9.00am - 1pm

## NOURISH:

On behalf of Nourish, grateful thanks to Sacred Heart parishioners for all contributions in 2023. Our Parish gave a total of £1,055 in cash and over 247 Kg in food contributions. In addition, our Christmas collections donated 32 selection boxes as well as many other Christmas - themed items. Our next collection is Sunday 7th January. The New Year is typically a period when donations dip markedly and Nourish struggle to meet demand of those in need including domestic abuse victims, the ill, and children who make up nearly 50% of those helped. Please give as generously as you can this coming Sunday and many thanks for your continued support.

## CARING FOR CREATION:

Next meeting of eco-group Monday 8th January 7.30 pm in Sacred Heart annexe.

Anyone interested is welcome to attend.

Representatives from other churches have been invited and David Payne who is involved with A Rocha: caring for God's earth will be giving a brief introduction to their work. We will be discussing taking forward some exciting ideas including suggestions all of us can implement and a possible recipe book for use in Lent.

## CHRISTMAS COLLECTION:

FR Patrick thanks you for your generosity with the Christmas collection and wishes you all a Happy New Year.

## PASTORAL PLAN WEBINAR:

With Bishop Richard, 10 January, 7.30pm. Bishop Richard's third Pastoral Plan 'The Word Who is Life: The Call to Mission' will be released on the diocesan website on 2 January, with hard copies available to read in each parish. If you would like to find out more about the Pastoral Plan please join Bishop Richard's Pastoral Plan webinar using the following link (there is no need to register):

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86457734895>.

## MANY THANKS:

To the volunteers who give up their time so willingly throughout the year. It is very much appreciated. We are looking for more volunteers to help with various Ministries. Please contact Chrissie if you could help.

## OPTIONAL SECOND COLLECTION:

Bishop Richard invites all parishes to hold a second collection on the Epiphany to raise funds for the Latin Patriarchate of Jerusalem to support its outreach to those affected by the conflict in the Holy Land. This collection is not Gift Aided.

## GRAVEYARD:

Please take care if visiting the graveyard. It is very wet and slippery.

## PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

Please remember in your prayers all who are sick in our parish.

## ANNIVERSARIES:

Please remember all those whose anniversaries occur around this time.