

# The Catholic Parish & Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation, West Grinstead

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## The Epiphany of The Lord

### TODAY 6th January:

#### Epiphany of The Lord

6pm (Sat) Vigil Mass - *Pauline Waters R.I.P*  
10.30am Sung Mass - *Pro Populo*

**MONDAY**  
(7th)

**Monday after Epiphany**  
NO MASS during the day

**TUESDAY**  
(8th)

**Tuesday after Epiphany**  
NO MASS

**WEDNESDAY**  
(9th)

**Wednesday after Epiphany**  
NO MASS

**THURSDAY**  
(10th)

**Thursday after Epiphany**  
NO MASS

**FRIDAY**  
(11th)

**Friday after Epiphany** *Day of Abstinence*  
NO MASS

**SATURDAY**  
(12th)

**Saturday after Epiphany**  
NO MASS (during the day)

### NEXT SUNDAY The Baptism of the Lord

(13th)

6.00pm (Sat) Vigil Mass - *Alan Wylie R.I.P*  
10.30am Sung Mass - *Pro Populo*

✠ **The Sacrament of Confession** is available at St John's church, Horsham: <https://www.stjohnshorsham.com/reconciliation1>

**Please remember the sick and housebound in your prayers at this time:** Dn Seamus Mahon, Fr. Ray Blake, Peter Callister, Fr. Douglas Perkins, Tony Blake, Patrick Brennan, Sheila Budgen, Callum, John Challis, Brian Cobb, Tito Coletta, Moya Connolly, Jacqueline, Jim Chambers, Justine, Shane Fahy, Caroline Farey, Aila Figura, Joshua Hayter, Sarah & Rosemary Keith, Norbert & Patricia Mallet, George Peach, Paschal Radford, Pauline Stephens, Mary, Glynis Taylor, Charlotte Walker, Pauline Stevens.

### THE SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY

In our own journey through life, especially today when it is so easy to lose sight of God or push God to the margins of our life, we will need to keep searching for the star that can lead us to our final destination, to the place where we, like the Wise Men, will discover the face of God - the 'Beatific Vision', which is the ultimate, direct, self-communication between God and the individual.

That light, that star, might well become dimmed as so many other lights try to claim our attention but if, like Mary, we know how to ponder over and treasure all the ways in which God makes Himself present to us, we too shall find our way to the place where Jesus is to be found. We shall be able to offer Him all the gifts which he in fact has given to us in the first place!

Our hearts, like those of the Wise Men, will be filled with delight and we shall create in our lives, as Mary and Joseph and the Wise Men did, that place which rightfully belongs to the God to whom we owe all that we are and all that we have.

✠ On Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> January, please pray and fast for the end of abortion and euthanasia in this Country. Your prayer and fasting is urgently needed, and it really does save lives. This is the day before the 22<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of the founding of the Good Counsel Network, for details of their live saving work see: [www.GoodCounselNetwork.com](http://www.GoodCounselNetwork.com)

✠ We would like to extend our sincere thanks for your generosity towards the Goddards this Christmas, and to send our very best wishes to all, for a Blessed and Holy Christmas Season, together with a safe and Grace-filled 2019.