

**ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC COMMUNITY
CROWBOROUGH**

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CHURCH TIMETABLE 2nd to 9th DECEMBER 2017

<u>Sunday</u>	Saturday Vigil MASS 6.00pm [Saturday 9th Dec <u>3.00pm</u>] Sunday Morning MASS at 9.30am with Children's Liturgy for those able to sit and participate <u>during term time</u> .
<u>Weekday MASS</u>	MASS each day, except Tuesday and Saturday mornings, at 9.00am. <u>Advent Morning Prayer 8.45am.</u>
<u>Reconciliation</u> <u>[Confession]</u>	Saturday 5.00pm to 5.30pm and on request. Thursday this week - A Service of Forgiveness and Confessions at 7.30pm
<u>Baptism</u>	Sundays at 12 noon, unless during the MASS. By appointment with Fr Kevin.
<u>Marriage</u>	By appointment with Fr Kevin. In this Diocese one year's notice is required in normal circumstances. A Marriage Preparation Course is also required.
	Please see notice board for neighbourhood MASS times and Christmas weekend timetable.

Today

1. Lucy Tipp will speak at the end of both MASSES about the Christmas 'Sing-a-long' and Sale.
2. Fr Kevin celebrates MASS for the Confirmation candidates on their first weekend away. MASS approx 2.00pm.

Tuesday: Fr Kevin attends Priests' Support Group Meeting.

Thursday Evening: Advent Celebration of Forgiveness with Confessions 7.30pm. Fr Martin from Wadhurst will be in attendance. Please come along.

Friday: Funeral MASS at 12.30pm in Church, followed by a cremation at 2.00pm.

Parish Christmas Cards and Neighbourhood Contacts: If you still have your brown envelope from Easter, would you be kind enough to return it to the Sacristy as soon as possible. Please note we hope to have the Christmas cards ready for collection this weekend. Thank you in anticipation of your help. Tilly and Maggie.

Pa-Rum-Pa-Pa-Pum: A Christmas Sing-a-long - Saturday, 9th December 2017: We are now only 1 short week away from our Christmas sing-a-long, so we are looking for support and donations from the Parish to make the event a success. It promises to be an uplifting celebration for the community to come together and to raise money for the Church. The stalls and refreshments will open following the early 3.00pm Vigil MASS. The sing-a-long will begin at 4.30pm, lasting approx an hour and ending with the Grand Draw. All are then welcome to continue enjoying the refreshments, buying gifts from the Parish run stalls and having a go on the tombolas. If you have any gifts, treats or experiences that you would be happy to donate as Grand Draw prizes, or have any contacts to whom we may be able to direct a request, please contact Tracy Shields on tracybshields@hotmail.com. Raffle tickets will be distributed from this weekend.

We are also relying on donations from the Parish for the tombolas and refreshments, so if you are able to donate any of the following, please bring them to the Church porch:-

- Mulled wine
- Mince pies or stollen slices
- Bottles for the bottle tombola
- Chocolate for the chocolate tombola

If you would like to perform a solo or in a small group, or lead a group musical activity, please let Lucy know so that you can be added to the programme.

Please add your name to the list at the back of the Church or contact Lucy if you are able to help support the event in the lead up or on the day of the event.

If you have any questions or suggestions, please contact Lucy Tipp on - email: lucytipp@gmail.com mob: 07771746975.

Thank You!

SVP Request: A washing machine is required for a local family. If you are able to help, please contact the Ronans on 662688 or Terry Brown on 652017.

Beyond Redemption: The recent auditions for parts in this play, which will be performed in local Churches, including St Mary's, in Lent, had to be cancelled due to illness so these will now take place at 7.30pm on Wednesday, 6th December at St Denys' Church, Rotherfield. If interested in a role, just turn up. For further information please contact Gerry Mapp on 07944 790049.

Bible Sunday this year is 10th December. All MASS Readers are invited to renew their commitment to this ministry at either MASS this weekend [Please note the Vigil MASS on 9th December is at 3.00pm].

School Carol Service and Final Assembly - Tuesday, 19th December in Church.

A note from the Parish Finance Committee: Your offerings on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day are your personal gift to the Priest of the Parish. He receives no salary and depends personally on your generosity.

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