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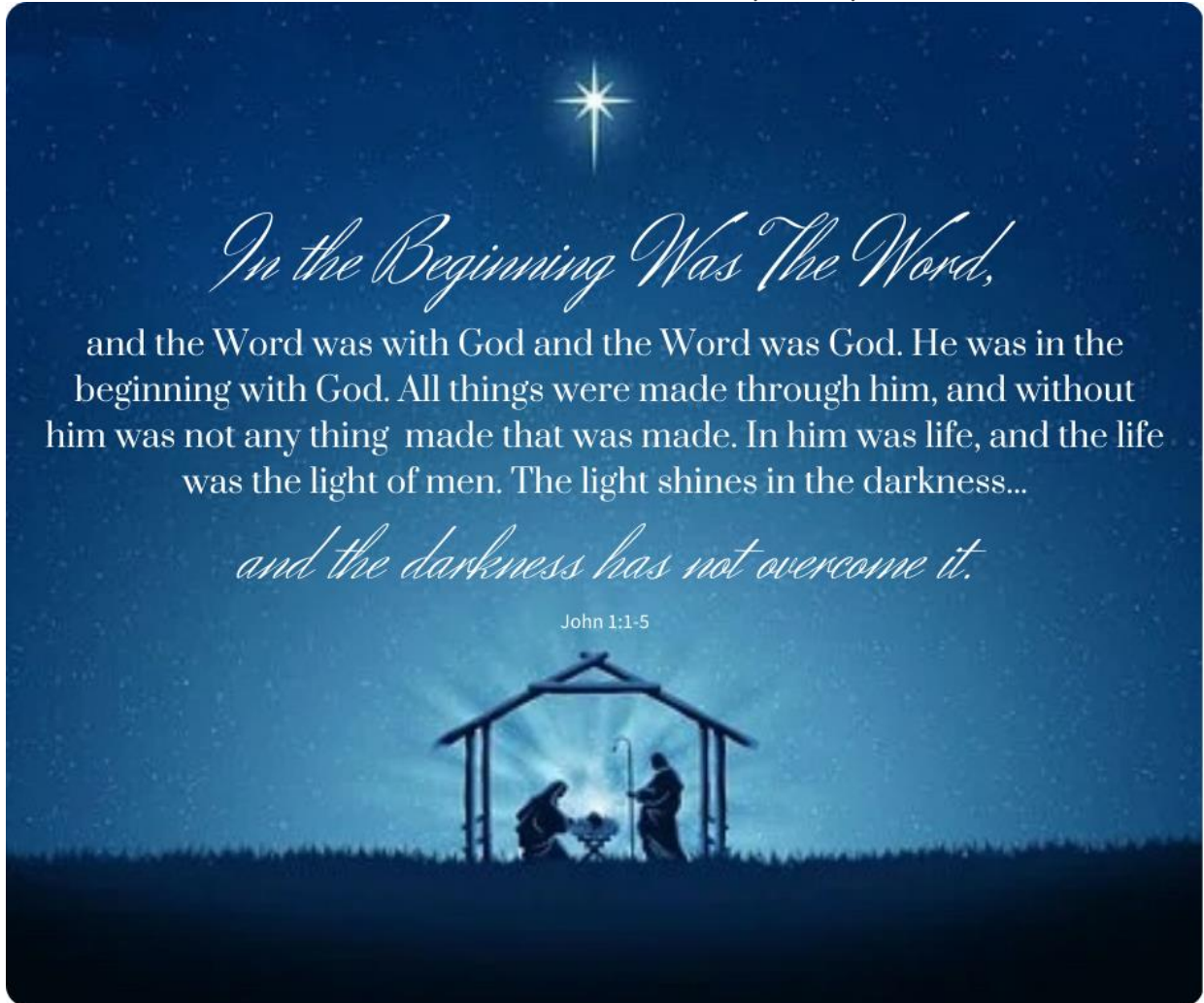
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Wednesday 25th December 2024

Christmas Newsletter & Feast of the Holy Family - Year C



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Christ the Prince of Peace (Weybridge)

THE HOLY FAMILY

Saturday 28th December The Holy Innocents , Martyrs (Feast)	9:10 am 5:00 pm 6:00 pm	The Rosary Reconciliation (until 5:45 pm) (Vigil) Evening Mass Intentions of Javier & Carmen Ferran
Sunday 29th December The Holy Family (Feast)	9:00 am 10:30 am 6:00 pm	Sunday Morning Mass Sheila Barrett R.I.P. Sunday Morning Mass In Thanksgiving And Private Intention Sunday Evening Mass People of the Parish
Monday 30th December Sixth Day in the Octave of Christmas	9:10 am 11:00 am 12:00 noon	The Rosary Eucharistic Adoration Midday Mass Intentions of the Guinan and Pantlin Families And Jochen Raab R.I.P.
Tuesday 31st December Seventh Day in the Octave of Christmas	9:10 am 11:00 am 12:00 noon	The Rosary Eucharistic Adoration Midday Mass Benedict Wilson R.I.P. And Private Intention
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Wednesday 1st January Mary, Mother of God (Solemnity) (Bank Holiday)	9:10 am 11:00 am 12:00 noon	The Rosary Eucharistic Adoration Midday Mass People of the Parish
Thursday 2nd January St. Basil the Great and St. Gregory Nazianzen , Doctors of the Church	9:10 am 11:00 am 12:00 noon	The Rosary Eucharistic Adoration Midday Mass Intentions of Nessrine Bahoshy And Intentions of the Gonzalez Family N.B. NO Evening Mass And NO Medjugorje Prayer Group
Friday 3rd January The Most Holy Name of Jesus (First Friday, abstinence today)	9:10 am 11:00 am 12:00 noon	The Rosary Eucharistic Adoration Midday Mass Isobel Treherne R.I.P. And Deceased Relatives and Friends of the Dive and Fitzgerald Families
Saturday 4th January Feria in Christmastide	9:10 am 5:00 pm 6:00 pm	The Rosary Reconciliation (until 5:45 pm) (Vigil) Evening Mass Intentions of Young and Troubled People
Sunday 5th January The Epiphany of the Lord (Solemnity)	9:00 am 10:30 am 6:00 pm	Sunday Morning Mass Anna Tarjanyi R.I.P. Sunday Morning Mass (Children's Choir) People of the Parish Sunday Evening Mass Eileen Liddell R.I.P.

LIVE STREAMING

Please go to the parish website www.cpp.org.uk/ to join us for live streamed Masses and prayers.

You can also catch up on streamed Masses by going to our channel on YouTube *cpp weybridge*

The live streamed Mass this Sunday will be at 10:30.

We also live stream Mass from Monday to Friday and the Rosary Monday to Saturday.

The Pope's Prayer Intention for December

For Pilgrims of Hope

We pray that this Jubilee Year strengthens our faith, helping us to recognise the Risen Christ in our daily lives and that it may transform us into pilgrims of Christian hope.

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CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

There will be three Masses on the evening of
Tuesday 24th December:

- The first Mass will be celebrated **at 16:00** and young children are invited to come dressed as angels, shepherds, or wise men.
- There will also be a ***Vigil Evening Mass at 18:00***
- And Carols from 22:00 with ***Mass of the Night beginning at 22:30***

There will be two Morning Masses on
Christmas Day Wednesday 25th December:

- ***9:00 and 10:30*** (No evening Mass)

Parish Bank Details For Online Contributions

Name: RCD A&B CPP Weybridge

Sort Code: 40 - 05 - 20 (HSBC)

A/C No: 8107 7201 (RCD OF A&B CPP Weybridge)

Please put in a reference when contributing e.g. Weekly Collection, Mass Stipend, Candles (etc)

Parish Charity: **KIMBO** (Project Kimbo) **MOM** (Momentum).

Any queries, please e-mail: weybridge@abdiocese.org.uk

Explore the goodness, truth, and beauty of the Faith

Your parish has gifted you with full access to the entire library of Word on Fire's feature-length films, and short engaging series through Word on Fire Digital.

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Wednesday, December 25, 2024 | Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord | [John 1:1–18](#)

Friends, today we celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ, the incarnate Son of God.

We hear at Mass one of the most magnificent passages in the Scriptures, indeed one of the gems of the Western literary tradition: the prologue to the Gospel of John. In many ways, the essential meaning of Christmas is contained in these elegantly crafted lines.

But today I would like to focus on how John commences: “In the beginning was the Word.” No first-century Jew would have missed the significance of that opening phrase, for the first word of the Hebrew Scriptures, *bereshit*, means precisely “beginning.” The evangelist is signaling that the story he will unfold is the tale of a new creation, a new beginning. The Word, he tells us, was not only with God from the beginning, but indeed was God.

Whenever we use words, we express something of ourselves. For example, as I type these words, I’m telling you what I know about the prologue to the Johannine Gospel; when you speak to a friend, you’re telling him or her how you feel or what you’re afraid of; when an umpire shouts out a call, he’s communicating how he has assessed a play.

But God, the sheer act of Being itself, the perfect Creator of the universe, is able utterly to speak himself in one great Word, a Word that does not simply contain an aspect of his being but rather the whole of his being. This is why we say that the Word is “God from God, Light from Light, True God from True God”—and this is why St. John says that the Word was God.

Bishop Robert Barron

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*Fr. Con wishes you all a very peaceful and blessed Christmas
And a happy and healthy New Year!*

Christmas Blessings!

The Word has become flesh and made his dwelling among us! *Emmanuel* means "God is with us"!

Let us rejoice and be glad!

Let us pray for one another, our families and friends, our Church,
and the entire world that all may know the love of Christ and join us in our celebration today!

"No one, whether shepherd or wise man, can approach God here below except by kneeling
before the manger at Bethlehem and adoring him hidden in the weakness of a new-born child"

(Catechism of the Catholic Church #563)

*"Today our Saviour is born... sadness should have no place on the birthday of life... You have
been rescued from the power of darkness and brought into the light of God's kingdom!"
St. Leo the Great*

Christmas Collection

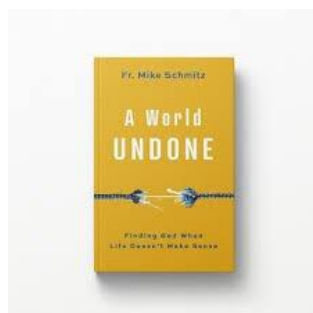
If you would like to contribute to the annual collection, which is the main source of income
for the parish priest, you can contribute online:

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Or you can contribute by using the gift aid envelopes available in the narthex.



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Book of the month - *A World Undone - Finding God when life doesn't make any sense*

We present the next book chosen as our book of the month and for our Catholic book club, which we will read during Lent (in groups or individually). The book is a short one (63 pages) divided into 5 chapters. Each chapter includes reflection questions, a challenge and a prayer. "Filled with wisdom and keen spiritual insight, *A Word Undone* breathes hope into darkness by showing you how trusting God changes your fear into courage and your hesitations into boldness." It would be a good present for someone and can be bought online.

Baptism and Reception of Adults into the Church

If you, or anyone you know, is interested in becoming a Catholic (or perhaps you never received the sacrament of confirmation and would now like to receive the sacrament), please get in touch with Fr. Con or the parish office weybridge@abdiocese.org.uk

Baptisms of Young Children

If you would like to have your child baptised, please get in touch with the team at cppbaptism@gmail.com


The Christmas Crib collection

This will be split this year between Friends of the Holy Land and the Catholic Children's Society.

For a short, animated film describing the situation in Bethlehem [click here](#)

4 things on the Bull for the Jubilee 2025

- 1 Jubilee Convocation:**
A jubilee is a special holy year of grace and pilgrimage in the Catholic Church. It typically takes place once every 25 years.
- 2 What is the Jubilee Bull?**
The Jubilee Bull is the official document detailing the spirit, purpose, and expected outcomes of the Jubilee, as envisioned by the Holy Father. It outlines the duration, key dates, and procedures.
- 3 2025 Jubilee:**
This ordinary Jubilee, expected to draw over 30 million visitors to Rome, will run from December 24th, 2024, to December 14th, 2025.
- 4 Holy Doors:**
The most well-known ritual of the Jubilee is the opening of the holy doors in the four Major Basilicas of Rome: St. Peter's in the Vatican, St. John Lateran, St. Paul Outside the Walls, and St. Mary Major.

 EWTN

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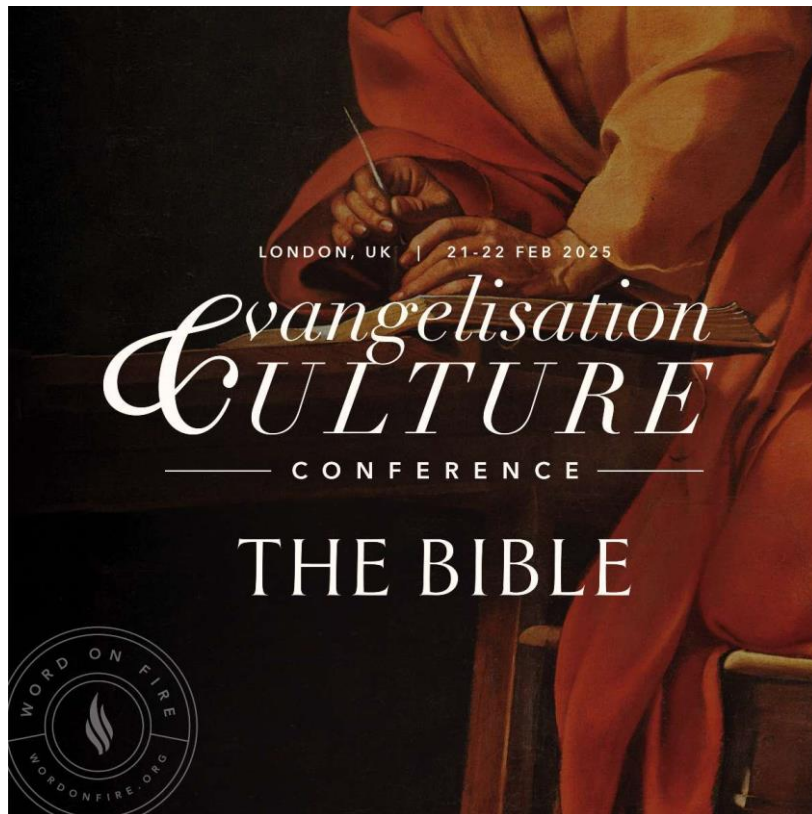
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Pope Francis has decided that 2025 will be a year of Jubilee

This is something which happens every 25 years and this year will be with the theme "Pilgrims of Hope". The Jubilee will offer people across our global family of faith an important opportunity to re-establish a proper relationship with God, with one another, and with all of creation. The beginning of the Holy Year is being marked by the celebration of Mass in every Cathedral Church in the world on Sunday 29 December, with Mass at Arundel Cathedral celebrated by Bishop Richard at 11am that day. For everyone to share in the celebration of the Holy Year, the following diocesan churches have also been designated as special places of pilgrimage, where Holy Year Indulgences may be gained:

- [Arundel Cathedral](#), Arundel BN18 9AY
- [Worth Abbey](#), Crawley, RH10 4SB
- [St Joseph's](#), Guildford, GU1 4AZ

To find out more about Jubilee events taking place across our diocese in 2025, please [click here](#)



Word on Fire Evangelisation & Culture Conference with Bishop Robert Barron

21-22 February, Excel Centre, London

Join Word on Fire's first-ever conference on the Bible. This event is for all those seeking to gain a deeper appreciation of Sacred Scriptures and the beauty of the Catholic faith while growing in their evangelisation efforts. [Click here](#) to find out more and book. (Cost: £79-£109)

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A Day of Reflection

11 January, 9:30 - 16:00 Ladywell Franciscan Centre, Godalming, GU7 1ST

A day of renewal, inspiration and fellowship in a warm and inviting atmosphere. The theme of the day is hope, offering insights that promote spiritual growth and unity. Attendees can look forward to a comforting mix of input, prayer, conversation and personal space for reflection. Find out more and book [here](#). (Cost: £25).



Left to Right: Sofia, Nancy

Parish Team Changes

A big thank you to Sofia Carvalho for her hard work as Parish Administrator for the last two years. Sofia, Jaime and the girls have been parishioners for the last 10 years and are moving to Bilbao after Christmas. May God bless them on the next part of their earthly pilgrimage.

Welcome to Nancy Khayat who joins the parish team as Parish Administrator Parish Safeguarding Representative. Nancy, Etienne and their children have been parishioners for 8 years. Nancy is originally from Lebanon and has a background in biochemistry.

Christian Art

Christmas 2024 at the National Gallery with Jan Gossaert's 'The Adoration of the Magi.' To watch an interesting short film about this please click on the video below...

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Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God

January 1, 2025

A Blessing for the New Year

“May the Lord bless you and keep you.

May the Lord let his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

May the Lord uncover his face to you and bring you peace.”

Numbers 6.24-26

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