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**Fourth Sunday
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Weekend 20th / 21st December 2025

Saturday 20/12	Fourth Sunday of Advent	5pm	Battle	Helen Ambrose, RIP
Sunday 21/12		9am	Northiam	People of the Parish
		11am	Battle	Intention of Elizabeth Salter
Monday 22/12	NO MASS			
Tuesday 23/12	23 rd December	6pm	Battle	Intention of Oksana, Alexander & Peter
Christmas Eve Wednesday 24/12	Vigil Mass	8pm	Battle	Grace McAdie, RIP
Christmas Day Thursday 25/12	The Nativity of the Lord	9am	Northiam	No Intention
		11am	Battle	People of the Parish
Friday 26/12	NO MASS			Feast of St Stephen
Saturday 27/12	Feast of the Holy Family	5pm	Battle	Deceased Members of the Oliver Family
Sunday 28/12		9am	Northiam	People of the Parish
		11am	Battle	Fr Frank Murray, RIP

Introduction to the Scripture Readings for the Feast of the Holy Family

- **First Reading: Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14**

He who fears the Lord honours his parents.

- **Second reading: Colossians 3:12-21**

Family life in the Lord.

- **Gospel: Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23**

Take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt.

We pray for the Sick and Housebound Members of our Community:

From Our Lady Immaculate & St Michael: Stephen Bould, Pauline Fraser, Sheila Lilley, Madeleine Salter, Helena Powell, Tom Dodd, Suzanne McAdie, Hazel & Helena Lobo, Marianne Clemence, Marie & Sarah Skilton, Phil & Pauline Bedford, Dilys Fraser, Claire and Peter Bates.

From St Teresa's: Christine Mooney, June Nottage, Maureen Webster, Eileen O'Shaughnessy, Margot Leahy, Jacquelyn Solly, Felicity Youlten.

Prayer Intentions - please remember the following people in your prayers this week:

Jean Douglas RIP, Margaret Thunder RIP, Rowena Bennett RIP, Pauline Fraser RIP, Stuart Austin RIP, Gretta Johnson RIP, Brian Le Gassick.

- Would any parishioner be interested in becoming a member of the Ecumenical team for the World Day of Prayer, a single service usually held in March of each year. Please contact Vikki Cook on 01424 773720 or e-mail: cvcook26@gmail.com for more information.
- **Battle Foodbank:** our needs this week are Cartons of Long Life Whole Milk (Blue); Bottles of Squash; Tins of Cold Meat and Bottles of Vegetable Oil please - we are very low on Toilet Rolls at the moment but any other toiletries, baby and household items are always welcome - thank you for all your donations they are very much appreciated.
- **Move-It Club:** Every Thursday morning, in the Parish Room at 10.15am with Lindsey. Please stay for a relaxed coffee and chat afterwards too. If you would like to join, please contact the office for more information: 01424 773125 or e-mail battle@abdiocese.org.uk
- **Parishioners Christmas Greetings:**
Dom & Jill Clare: We are not sending Christmas cards this year but have given a CAFOD healthy mum and baby gift on behalf of the parish.



**Fr Richard and the Parish Team
wish you all a
very Merry and Joyful Christmas
and a Happy and Healthy New Year!!**

Feast of the Holy Family

Weekend 27th / 28th December 2025



Saturday 27/12	Feast of the Holy Family	5pm	Battle	Deceased Members of the Oliver Family
Sunday 28/12		9am	Northiam	People of the Parish
		11am	Battle	Fr Frank Murray, RIP
Monday 29/12	Feast of Saint Thomas Becket	NO MASS		
Tuesday 30/12	6 th day within the octave of Christmas	6pm	Battle	Krystyna Szymanska, RIP
Wednesday 31/12	7 th day within the octave of Christmas	10am	Battle	Charles & Lilian Bradshaw, RIP
New Year's Day Thursday 01/01	Mary, The Holy Mother of God	9.45am	Battle	John Salter, RIP
Friday 02/01	Saints Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen	10am	Battle	David Long, RIP
Saturday 03/01	2 nd Sunday of Christmas	5pm	Battle	People of the Parish
Sunday 04/01		9am	Northiam	Founders & Benefactors of St Teresa's (FM)
		11am	Battle	Intention of Marianne Clemence for her 89 th birthday

Introduction to the Scripture Readings for the 2nd Sunday of Christmas

- **First Reading: Sirach 24:1-2, 8-12**
The wisdom of God has dwelt in the chosen people.
- **Second reading: Ephesians 1:3-6, 15-18**
He predestined us for adoption as sons through Jesus.
- **Gospel: John 1:1-18**
The Word became flesh and dwelt among us.

2nd Sunday of Christmas
Weekend 3rd / 4th January 2026

Saturday 03/01	2 nd Sunday of Christmas	5pm	Battle	People of the Parish
Sunday 04/01		9am	Northiam	Founders & Benefactors of St Teresa's (FM)
		11am	Battle	Intention of Marianne Clemence for her 89 th birthday
Monday 05/01		NO MASS		
Tuesday 06/01	Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord	6pm	Battle	No Intention
Wednesday 07/01	7 January	10am	Battle	No Intention
Thursday 08/01	8 January	9.45am	Battle	No Intention
Friday 09/01	9 January	10am	Battle	No Intention
Saturday 10/01	Feast of the Baptism of the Lord	5pm	Battle	Deceased Members of the Ashing, Horgan & Barnes Families
Sunday 11/01		9am	Northiam	People of the Parish
		11am	Battle	Annie & Stephen Faherty, RIP
Next weekend there will be a Second Collection for Friends of the Holy Land				

Introduction to the Scripture Readings for the Baptism of the Lord

- **First Reading: Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7**
Behold my servant, in whom my soul delights.
- **Second reading: Acts 10:34-38**
God anointed Jesus with the Holy Spirit.
- **Gospel: Matthew 3:13-17**
When Jesus was baptised he saw the Spirit of God coming to rest on him.

**The Parish Office will be closed from Tuesday 23rd December
and will reopen on Monday 5th January.**

Usual opening hours are Monday and Thursday mornings 9.30am to 2pm