

**Today we celebrate
The Feast of Mary the Holy
Mother of God**



**Friday January 6th 2014
The Epiphany of the Lord.
Vigil Thursday 7.15pm
Fri Mass at 7.30am, 10am**



**The Holy Father's prayer intentions for
January 2017 are:**

Christian Unity

That all Christians may be faithful to the Lord's teaching by striving with prayer and fraternal charity to restore ecclesial communion and by collaborating to meet the challenges facing humanity.



**Please pray for those who died
recently:**

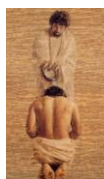
*Eddie Edmonds
Jim Connell
Helen Killick
Anne Ahearne*

May they rest in peace

Normally the two Sundays after Christmas Day are

- **The Feast of the Holy Family**
- **The Second Sunday of Christmas**

However because Christmas Day was a Sunday, therefore Jan 1st is also a Sunday and it is the Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God. The Feast of the Holy Family was transferred to Fri 30th Dec and we don't have the Second Sunday of Christmas this year. Next Sunday we celebrate the Baptism of Our Lord



**Sunday January 8th Feast of the
Baptism of Our Lord**

We invite parents to bring their children who were baptised in our church from October 2015 to September 2016 to a special Mass at 12 noon. Refreshments afterwards!



The annual **Christmas Party** for all those involved in ministry will take place on **7th January** after the vigil mass. Entertainment and light supper will be provided.
It would be great to see everyone there.

The World Meeting of Families will take place in Ireland in 2018. A special message from **Pope Francis** is located beside the Crib, and prayer cards are available to take home.

Office Hours

The office will reopen on Thursday 5th January 10am - 2pm.

**January 2017 Roster for
Eucharistic Ministers**
available in the sacristy

Copies of Previous Week's parish newsletter are available in the magazine rack under the vi station

Thanks to all who returned **Christmas Dues**, these are a very important for the support of priests. Along with the First Collection at mass each Sunday, they are lodged in the Common Fund for the remuneration of the priests in this parish and throughout the Diocese. Dues envelopes can be left in either of the large safes in the church.

Mobile number if you need to ring
SVDP - 087 392 7023

New Year's Resolution

Are you thinking of a New Year's Resolution. We always need new people to get involved in the life of the parish. See the thank you list in the next column - would you be willing to ask about signing up for one of these ministries?



May we take this opportunity on behalf of all parishioners to wish all our parishioners a happy and peaceful new year. There are so many people who contribute in so many different ways to building up the life and liturgy of our parish. SVP, Counters, Collectors, Flower arrangers, God's House Keepers, Envelope distributors, CARA, Ministers of the Word, Ministers of Holy Communion, Altar Servers, Choir members, Choir director, Cantors, Do This Memory Team, Baptism Team, Bethany Group, Hospitality, Sacristans, Finance Committee, Legion of Mary, St Joseph's Young Priests Society, Lotto Committee, Office staff and many others who contribute their time and talents.

**Best wishes for an abundance of
blessings in 2017**

Fr Dermot & Fr. Brian