

# FIRST SUNDAY OF **CHRISTMAS**

28th December 2025 · Year A · Weekday II · Psalter I

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## **Confessions**

Sunday: 4.45pm

# Rosary

The Rosary is prayed in the Lady Chapel. Monday to Friday after the 10am Mass.

### **Divine Office**

Lauds is prayed in the Precious Blood Chapel. Monday to Friday at 9:40am

| TIMES OF CEREMONIES |   |                         |                              |
|---------------------|---|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| Sun 28th            | The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph       |                         |                              |
|                     | 9am   | Mass (sung)             | Romeo Manching Snr +         |
|                     | 11am  | Solemn Mass (cantor)    | Ann Kutay (recovery)         |
|                     | 4.30pm  | Vespers (said)          |                              |
|                     | 5.30pm  | Mass (said)             | Pro Populo                   |
| Mon 29th            | S Thomas Beckett                              |                         |                              |
|                     | 10am  | Mass                    | Denis & Peggy Hardy (F) +    |
| Tues 30th           | Sixth Day within the Octave of the Nativity   |                         |                              |
|                     | 10am  | Mass                    | Josefina Canlas +            |
| Wed 31st            | Seventh Day within the Octave of the Nativity |                         |                              |
|                     | 10am  | Mass                    | Romeo Manching Snr +         |
|                     | 11pm  | Vigil Mass of Mary, the | e Most Holy Mother of        |
|                     |   | God                     | Holy Souls                   |
| Thurs 1st           | MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD                  |                         |                              |
| Jan 2026            | 10am  | Mass                    | Henry, Duke of Norfolk (F) + |
| Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Ss Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen        |                         |                              |
|                     | 10am  | Mass & Adoration        | Christine Arvey +            |
| Sat 3rd             | The Most Holy Name of Jesus                   |                         |                              |
|                     | 10am  | Mass & Adoration        | Peace for the Ulas Family    |
|                     | 6pm   | Mass (Anticipatory)     | Marina Guiwa +               |
| Sun 4th             | SECOND SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS                    |                         |                              |
|                     | 9am   | Mass                    | Pro Populo                   |
|                     | 11am  | Solemn Mass (cantor)    | Kate Morris +                |
|                     | 3pm   | Mass [1962 Rite Latin]  | Holy Souls                   |
|                     | 4.30pm  | Vespers (cantor)        |                              |
|                     | 5.30pm  | Mass (cantor)           | CBM's Godchildren            |

# The Cathedral Church is open daily this week from 9am - 5pm

Prayers for the sick: Cathy Adams, Dr Michael Anibueze, Philippa Barnes, Ian Beyts, Jennifer Boland, Eleanor Bray, Amanda Caistor, Brenda Devany, Jonathon Fitzimmons, Mary Gledhill, Sophia Gough-Solar, Mary Hatcher, Joe Heaney, Gill Horan, Paul Horan, Joel McDonough, Anne O'Leary, Maria Osorio, Mary Newby, Gary Newton, Isobel O'Connor, Christopher Parish, Canon David Paul, Anthony Preston, Nicholle Sales, Reece Sales, Linda Sheppard, Christine Taylor, Peter Thorn, Lord Adrian Tremayne, Mary Ward, Fr John Warrington, Peter Willets, Adrian Woods, the Wood Family, Patricia Woolley, Isobel Woolner, the Watson Family, Charmanee Wissner, Shane Wissner & Karen Yallop. [GDPR compliant] Going into hospital? Please inform the hospital ward itself that the Catholic Chaplain is needed.

#### HYMN NUMBERS FOR THE 9AM MASS

159, 143, 834, 137, 128

**For this week**, Monday to Friday the Church will be open from 9am – 5pm, with 10am Mass only.

**Please note** - that there will be no confessions on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> January.

Adoration for the First Fridays will take place on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> January. Adoration will run for a shorter time from after the 10am Mass until Midday when there will be Benediction. Please do come and spend time before Our Blessed Lord as we begin a New Year in intercession for all our Diocesan priests, Bishop Peter and vocations to the priesthood. All Welcome.

**Cathedral Choir** – The Cathedral Choir is on holidays and will return on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January for 5pm Sung Evening Prayer and 5.30pm Solemn Mass for the feast of the Epiphany.

The Feast of the Epiphany on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January is a Holy Day of Obligation with Mass times of 10am & 5.30pm at the Cathedral.

Christmas closure for the café and shop—the café will open again on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> January. The Cathedral shop will re-open on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2026



MARY MOTHER OF GOD, PRAY FOR US

#### HOLY APOSTLES CHURCH

Scarnell Road, Norwich NR5 8HT

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Saturday 5pm Holy Qurbana (Anticipatory)

Sunday 8am Holy Qurbana 10am Mass & Confessions

4pm Holy Qurbana

Christmas at the cathedral: Once again our cathedral looks resplendent for Christmas; the flower group have done a magnificent job again with ingenuity and creativity shining throughout the cathedral, the garden looks well cared for and loved even during the winter months, the cathedral has been cleaned and dusted and cobwebs removed, the brass has all been polished and shines wonderfully and our servers and sacristans have put on an exceptional liturgical feast for all of us to enjoy. Our musicians have come up trumps with beautiful music throughout the season, with many delightful pieces that have truly raised the roof and edified all of us. As you will have noticed, the Narthex is having a deep clean over Christmas and New Year and the floors will be stripped and resealed ensuring that we begin 2026 on a good footing and with the cathedral looking her best.

Thank you to all of the staff and volunteers who help to keep this cathedral running in the best possible way and with such joy and delight. It is truly a place of welcome and peace. I thank all who regularly attend the cathedral and Holy Apostles for all that you bring to us both spiritually and materially. I wish you all a joy filled and happy Christmastide and a successful 2026.

Thank you: On behalf of all the cathedral clergy, I extend our heartfelt thanks to all of you for your prayers, cards and gifts over the festive season - thank you for the encouragement, support and love that you show to us - not only at Christmas time, but throughout the year as well. My prayer is that the cathedral will move from strength to strength in the new year and be a place of greater community and welcome.

Many blessings on all of you and your families.