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The Catholic Community Newsletter  
for the parish of  
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**SECOND WEEK OF CHRISTMASTIDE**

		Place		Intention	
Sat 30 <sup>th</sup> December	6.30pm	MB	Mass	Bill Yates R.I.P.	
Sun 31 <sup>st</sup> December	9.30am	NM	Mass	Bill Yates R.I.P.	
	12mday	MB	Mass		
Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> January	10.00am	MB	Mass	Mary, Mother of God (Solemnity)	
Weds 3 <sup>rd</sup> January	10.00am	MB	Mass		
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> January	10.00am	NM	Mass		
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> January		MB	Mass		
Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup> January	6:30pm	MB	Mass		Bill Yates R.I.P.
Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> January	9:30am	NM	Mass		
	12 mday	MB	Mass		

**PLEASE PRAY** for the sick: David Cochrane, Dorothy Graham, Mary Bradbury, Joan Bindley. To be added to this list, please contact the parish office or collect a form from the back of church.

**Crib Collection:** This year's Christmas crib collection is dedicated to support the work of **Friends of the Holy Land in Gaza and Israel/ Palestine**. Please, let us be generous.

**Thank you:** I want to thank all of you for your prayers for me during my time away on retreat. I definitely prayed for all of you and your families. I thank Msgr. Jonathan Moore and Fr. Frank Carvill who graciously held the fort for me whilst I was away. I pray God to bless them both for always being there to help our parish. A huge thank you also, to all of you for your Christmas wishes, prayers, and cards. Your gracious and warm words are very encouraging to me. Your prayers give me a lot of energy and strength to continue on. I am deeply appreciative for all the love and affection you continue to show me. I pray God to bless you all and your families. If anybody has any gift for Fr. Emmanuel, please, you may put it in the collection bags. I pray that you will have a fulfilling Christmas, and that those who will be working during these days will be able to make some time to spend with family and friends. Please enjoy yourselves - and pace yourselves as well! The obligation on Sundays and holydays also includes rest, relaxation - so please take that bit of it seriously as well! With my love and prayer for everyone this Christmas (**Fr. Emmanuel**)

**Bill Yates**, for many years a stalwart member of this parish, died on 20th December. May God grant Bill eternal rest in heaven, and may God strengthen his wife, Val Yates and the entire family. The entire parish wish Val our love at this difficult time.

**SECOND COLLECTION:** Next weekend 6<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup> January, there will be a second collection for Poor and Needy Parishes of the diocese.