Come and Celebrate CHRISTMAS 2021



Holy Angels, Ash and Holy Family, Heath End

And in that region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with fear. And the angel said to them, "**Be not afraid; for behold, I bring you good news of a great joy which will come to all the people; for to you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord.** And this will be a sign for you: you will find a babe wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger."

Luke 2: 8-12

As we continue to live through difficult times it's easy to be overwhelmed and either to let Christmas pass us by without feeling able let it affect us, or to simply want to collapse at home glad for a brief respite.

Yet if we allow it the amazing mystery and joy of a God who wants to draw close to us can transform us.

The God who brings us peace in the shape of a small baby, and in whose own life wants to bring peace to our hearts.

The Christ who invites us to realise that in his person, entering into the manger of our hearts through the mystery of the mass, we find not only the meaning of the word Christ-mas, but of its very heart.

Your catholic family at Holy Angels and Holy Family warmly hope that you will feel safe to celebrate Christmas together around the altar, and if you are having to self isolate or continue to shield that you will join us by livestream in song and in the words of scripture of celebrate once again the new born Christ.

Fr Robin, Deacon John and all the members of our parishes

wish you

a very Happy and Holy Christmas

and invite you to join in the celebration of our Christmas Services.

Sunday 19th December HF

3.00pm Carol Service & mulled wine (Holy Family) (*outside with no masks if possible!*)

Christmas Eve Friday 24th December

5.00pm First Mass of Christmas & Crib blessing (Holy Family)

7.00pm First Mass of Christmas & Crib blessing (Holy Angels)

Children are especially welcome at these masses and are invited to dress in nativity or other Christmas clothes

10.30pm Carols and Readings precede11.00pm Midnight Mass (Holy Angels)

Christmas Day Saturday 25th December

9.15am Family Mass of Christmas Day (Holy Family)

11.00am Family Mass of Christmas Day (Holy Angels)

Booking Lite

We encourage you to book via the parish office or the lists at the back of church if you are going to attend our Christmas masses.

With increased seating and number of masses we don't expect to turn anyone away but this should help us to keep reasonable spacing at our masses.

Booking Lite - please sign up for the Christmas Eve and Day masses to help us keep spacing - but we do not expect to turn anyone away who has not pre booked.

Masks and warm clothes

We are currently required (unless except) to wear face masks in church.

As we need to keep the buildings well ventilated we do encourage everyone to wrap up warmly as well.

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