

ADVENT ANTHEM TO OUR LADY

**Alma Redemptoris Mater, quae pervia caeli
Porta manes, et stella maris, succurre cadeti,
Surgere qui curat, populo: tu quae genuisti,
Natura mirante, tuum sanctum Genitorem
Virgo prius ac posterius, Gabrielis ab ore
Sumens illud Ave, peccatorum miserere.**

**Loving Mother of the Redeemer,
Gate of Heaven, Star of the Sea,
help the falling people that strives to rise up,
you who brought forth your holy Parent
as nature looked on astonished,
Virgin before and afterwards,
who heard from Gabriel's lips the greeting 'Hail',
have mercy on sinners.**

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THE SICK OF OUR PARISH, MAY GOD BLESS AND COMFORT THEM

Anita Anderson, Peter Davies, Catherine Gallagher, Graham Humphries, Barbara Jarvis,
Anne Jennings, Janice Lambley, Edna McNally, John Noakes, Michelle Price, Dave Wallett.

Of your charity, please pray for the repose of the souls of the faithfully departed whose anniversaries occur in DECEMBER:

(Please give Fr Paul details of any additions to the list)

Gordon Bacon, Baby Bennett, Basil Bridgwater, Peg Byrne, Patrick Byrne, Martha Cowley,
Albert Diggett, William Fairless, George Green, Kevin Groves, Michael Haken,
Graham Harper, Simon Harper, Mrs Jennings, James Lambley, Betty Langford,
Arthur Maddox, Raymond Mason, Eileen Mole, Christopher Morris, Elizabeth Morris,
Fr Michael O'Meara, John O'Connell, Leonard William Peach, Catherine Rose Piggott,
Maria Sylvana Rossi, Joseph Ryan, Winifred Ward.

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Parish Priest: Fr Paul Lester

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

- Saturday Dec 15** 10.30-11.00am Confessions
5.00-5.45pm Confessions
6.00pm Vigil Mass (*Norman Beresford RIP*)
- Sunday Dec 16** 8.30am Traditional Latin Mass
10.00am Mass (*People of the Parish*)
- Monday Dec 17** No Mass
- Tuesday Dec 18** 10.00am Mass (*Fr Michael O'Meara RIP Former Parish Priest – Anniversary*)
- Wednesday Dec 19** 10.00am Mass (*Daniel Flood RIP*)
- Thursday Dec 20** 10.00am Mass (*Christopher Morris RIP*)
1.45pm Carol Concert in Church KS2
- Friday Dec 21** 9.00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
10.00am Mass (*Bridgie Kennedy RIP*)
- Saturday Dec 22** 10.30-11.00am Confessions
5.00-5.45pm Confessions
6.00pm Vigil Mass (*John & Maria Moran RIP*)
- Sunday Dec 23** 10.00am Mass (*People of the Parish*)

4th Sunday of Advent

Confessions are heard 30 mins before every mass on request.

The website is regularly updated and the newsletter is on usually every Friday.

www.saintmaryswednesbury.org.uk

The Altar of Our Lady and the Sacred Heart – to have the candle lamp burn for your intentions or loved ones for the week - £10 - please see Fr Paul.

The candle lamp on Our Lady's Altar burns this week in memory of: Gwen Sedgwick RIP

The candle lamp on the Sacred Heart Altar burns this week in memory of:

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Children's Liturgy - 23rd December

Marriage Encounter - 18th December, 15th January, 19th February, 19th March,
21st May, 18th June, 16th July

29th/30th June Marriage Encounter Weekend – details from Mike & Margaret Cooper

Family Mass – Sunday 16th December

Carol Concert in Church – Thursday 20th December 1.45pm KS2 children

Children's Liturgy Christmas Party – after Mass 23rd Dec – Ronnie Crackers will be entertaining, all the parish are welcome.



Christmas Services

Christmas Eve: 4.00pm Children's Mass
5.30pm Carols
6.00pm Mass

Christmas Day: 8.00am Mass
9.30am Traditional Latin Mass

Times of Confessions:

**Confessions will be heard before every mass and also
Christmas Eve 10.00-11.00am**

PARISH NEWS:

CONFESSIONS ARE NOW HEARD AT THE CONFESSIONAL AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH WHICH IS LOCATED NEAR THE STATUE OF ST PADRE PIO.

THIS WEEK'S COLLECTION RAISED £373 FOR THE PARISH. THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED GENEROSITY.

THERE WILL ONLY BE ONE COLLECTION AT THE CHRISTMAS MASSES WHICH WILL BE YOUR CHRISTMAS OFFERING FOR OUR PARISH PRIEST. THANK YOU.

CRIB OFFERINGS THIS YEAR WILL BE FOR THE SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF UNBORN CHILDREN.

PLEASE READ FR PAUL'S BLOG ON THE PARISH WEBSITE WHICH IS UPDATED REGULARLY.

THIS WEEKEND, HEARTS WILL BE ON SALE SO THAT YOU CAN PUT NAMES ON OF YOUR DEPARTED LOVED ONES AND PLACE THEM ON THE CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCE TREE, PROCEEDS IN AID OF CHILDREN'S LITURGY.

THANK YOU TO THE CLEANERS WHO GAVE THEIR TIME THIS WEEK TO CLEAN OUR CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS. FR PAUL.

WALSINGHAM: THERE WILL BE A PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM IN 2019:- MONDAY 26TH AUGUST – FRIDAY 30TH AUGUST. IF ANYONE WOULD LIKE TO JOIN THE PILGRIMAGE, PLEASE SEE THE POSTER IN THE PORCH. THERE ARE 6 PLACES AVAILABLE.