

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

Also remember in your prayers, those who bear their illness privately, and those that care for them. *Theresa Adams, Melesi Chapo, Sheila Cooney, Bridget Cooper, Joan Dixon, Sean Hooper, Barbara Jarvis, Michelle Price, Veronica Smith, Pat Wilkins.*

Of your charity, please pray for the repose of the souls of the faithfully departed whose Anniversaries occur in November: †*Ken Baxter, Margaret Beresford, Joe Borg, Fr John Francis Bromfield (former Parish Priest), Philomena Chambers, Joshua Clarke, Patrick D'Arcy, James Drummond, John G.J.Fairless, Ann Foster nee Turner, Win Green, Frances Groves, Ada Hayfield, Bernard Horton, Mrs.A. Jones, Paul Lally, Michael Langford, Steve Langley, Brigid Madden, Melanie Marsh, Mary Martin, Hazel Audrey Moran, Joseph Moran, Dennis Murphy, John Noakes, May Peach, Mary Perry, Brian Piggott, Gwen Sedgwick, Joan Swift, Jack (John) Taylor, Sheila Taylor nee Piggott, Patrick Ward, Jim Wilcox.*

The Altar of Our Lady and the Sacred Heart – to have a candle lamp burn for your intentions or loved ones for the week – please see Cate.

The candle lamps on Our Lady's Altar burn this week for:

Harry Morris RIP

Joshua Clarke RIP (Anniversary - 17th November)

Deceased Members of the Cafferkey & Ferguson Families RIP

Frank Borg RIP (100th Birthday Remembrance - 16th November)

Brian Jennings RIP

The candle lamp on the Sacred Heart Altar burns this week for:

Gilbert Ferguson RIP (Birthday Remembrance 20th November)

CONFESSIONS ARE AVAILABLE SATURDAYS 4.15PM-4.50PM AND FRIDAYS DURING ADORATION. TUESDAY-THURSDAY BY REQUEST UP TO 10 MINUTES BEFORE EACH MASS

PLEASE CHECK THE WEBSITE FOR REGULAR UPDATES! The website is regularly updated and the newsletter is on usually every Friday.

www.saintmaryswednesbury.org.uk

Please note the cut-off is Wednesday lunchtime

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**OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS PRAY FOR US
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SAFEGUARDING: The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Mary Jones. She can be contacted at sg.stmaryoth.wednesbury@rcaob.org.uk or the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted at safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk or on 0121 230 6240 if you have any concern.

Today is Safeguarding Sunday

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

17TH NOVEMBER 2024

Saturday Nov 16 <i>Feria</i>	<u>2.00pm – Wedding – Lisa Hodgson & Dean Painter</u> 5.00pm Mass (<i>Marie Claire Costley</i>)
Sunday Nov 17 <i>33rd Sunday of the Year</i>	10.00am Mass (<i>Dec'd Members of the Dalloway Family RIP</i>)
Monday Nov 18 <i>Feria</i>	<u>NO MASS</u>
Tuesday Nov 19 <i>Feria</i>	<u>9.30am Holy Rosary</u> 10.00am Mass (<i>Dec'd Members of the Carless & Spray Families RIP</i>)
Wednesday Nov 20 <i>Feria</i>	10.00am Mass (<i>Bob & Lorraine Costley</i>)
Thursday Nov 21 <i>Mem of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	10.00am Mass (<i>Dec'd Members of the Buckby & Davies Families RIP</i>) Schoolchildren in Attendance
Friday Nov 22 <i>Mem of St Cecilia, Virgin, Martyr</i>	<u>9.00am – 9.45am Adoration & Benediction</u> 10.00am Mass (<i>Holy Souls</i>)
Saturday Nov 23 <i>Feria</i>	5.00pm Mass (<i>Margaret Beresford RIP – Anniversary</i>)
Sunday Nov 24	10.00am Mass (<i>People of the Parish</i>) <i>Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe</i>

PARISH NEWS:

RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION:

IF YOU WISH TO JUST HAVE A BLESSING FROM FR MICHAEL, PLEASE PUT YOUR HAND ACROSS YOUR CHEST. THANK YOU.

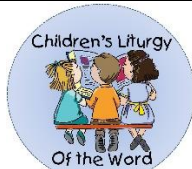
HEALTH & SAFETY MESSAGE:

PARISHIONERS ARE ADVISED TO TAKE CARE WHEN ACCESSING CHURCH AS THERE ARE POTENTIALLY A NUMBER OF TRIP HAZARDS WITH DAMAGED MORTAR AND SLABS. AS THERE ARE MANY JOBS, IT IS ON THE "TO DO" LIST. THANK YOU.

TEA/COFFEE & TOAST EVERY THURSDAY AFTER MASS.

TEA & COFFEE AFTER MASS ON SUNDAYS.

FOOD BANK: BOX IN PORCH PLEASE SUPPORT IF YOU CAN.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY:

STARTS PROMPT AT 10AM, DOORS OPEN FROM 9.50AM.

EVERY WEEK, UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTIFIED. HELD IN PARISH HALL GARY, CHRISTINE & JOE

LUCKY SQUARE: Proceeds to Church & Hall Restoration Fund, 3 cash prizes, if you wish to join, please see Tracey.

SIMPLE ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT BETWEEN 9.15AM-9.45AM TUES, WED AND THURS, WITH LATIN ADORATION, AND CONFESSION, AND BENEDICTION AS NORMAL ON A FRIDAY 9AM-9.45AM.

FR MICHAEL'S PERSONAL WEBSITE:
www.frmichaelvaughan.com

DIARY:

SCHOOL ADVENT SERVICE: MON 2ND DEC 2.00PM IN SCHOOL

CHURCH CLEAN: FRI 6TH DEC

SOVEREIGN CHRISTMAS CONCERT:

FRI 13TH DEC 7.30PM

SCHOOL CAROL SERVICE: IN CHURCH WED 18TH DECEMBER 1.30PM

PARISH VISITATION: 5TH/6TH APR 2025

FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS: SUN 18TH

MAY 10AM

CONFIRMATIONS: WEDNESDAY 4TH

JUNE 2025 6PM

Baptisms. It is usual for infants to be baptised in the Catholic Church by the age of reason, which is 7 years of age. Preparation for this is usually a month. After the age of reason your child will be baptised similar to how adults are baptised, and in many cases they will receive Confirmation and communion at the same time. For this reason the child will need to be prepared, and the priest needs permission from the Archbishop to administer the sacraments. This could take up to 3 months or longer. Parents: Please give serious thought to your child's baptism. Your child cannot receive first holy communion or Confirmation without first having been baptised. Children and parents wishing to have their children baptised are required to attend church regularly at the weekend. Becoming a Catholic. If anyone is interested in becoming Catholic, please have a word with Fr Michael and he will get you to fill in a form and let you know more.

CHRISTMAS MASSES:

CHRISTMAS EVE CHILDRENS' MASS 4PM

CHRISTMAS EVE CAROLS 5.30PM

CHRISTMAS EVE MASS 6PM

CHRISTMAS DAY MASS 10AM

DEC 26TH ST STEPHENS 11AM MASS

DURING ADVENT WE WILL HAVE A MEMORY TREE, YOU CAN PLACE ON THE TREE NAMES OF YOUR LOVED ONES, AND THEY WILL BE REMEMBERED AT ONE OF THE CHRISTMAS MASSES. THE COST IS £1 PROCEEDS WILL BE DIVIDED BETWEEN THE CHURCH & HALL RESTORATION FUND AND THE FOOD BANK.

PARISH NEWS:

Offertory: £254.48 (Week)

Attendance: 41 + 72 = 113

C&H Restoration Fund £338.38

Candles: £30

Christmas Fayre: £1491.62

Standing Orders: (MONTHLY):

£813 (SEPT) Thank you for your continued generosity.

Next weekend: Collection for Catholic Youth Service

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HELPED AND SUPPORTED THE CHRISTMAS FAYRE WE RAISED £1,491.62 FOR THE CHURCH & HALL RESTORATION FUND. THIS MEANS THE RAMP IS GETTING CLOSER! WELL DONE EVERYONE! THANK YOU. FR MICHAEL

CHURCH CLEAN:

FRI 6TH DEC AFTER MASS.

ANY HELP WOULD BE VERY MUCH APPRECIATED.



NOVEMBER IS THE MONTH WHEN WE REMEMBER THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED THERE IS A BOX ON THE ALTAR TO PLACE THE NAMES OF YOUR LOVED ONES. (PLEASE ONLY PLACE NAMES IN THE BOX) ANY MASS INTENTIONS, PLEASE PASS TO FR MICHAEL OR CATE. THANK YOU.

THERE WILL BE A MASS ON MON 9TH DECEMBER 10AM (WITH SCHOOL CHILDREN ATTENDING) FOR THE SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, THERE WILL BE NO MASS ON TUESDAY OR WEDNESDAY 10/11TH DECEMBER.

SCHOOL EVENT:

Parishioners Welcome:

ADVENT SERVICE: MON 2ND DEC 2PM

SOVEREIGN BRASS CHRISTMAS

CONCERT: FRI 13TH DEC 7.30PM

TICKETS ON SALE THIS WEEKEND:

ADULT £7.50

CONCESSION £5.00 (Under 18/Student/Senior Citizen)

FAMILY TICKET £18 (2 adults plus child/children)

TICKETS ALSO AVAILABLE TO BUY ONLINE AT TICKETSOURCE.CO.UK/ SOVEREIGN BRASS

PARISH VISITATION:

Bishop Timothy Menezes is to visit our parish on the weekend of the 5th and 6th April 2025. During his time here he will say mass, speak to the congregation, and meet with people informally after mass in Saint Mary's Hall and have refreshments. It will give everyone a chance to speak to Bishop Timothy. The Bishop will also visit the sick, visit the school, parents, staff, and governors. He will also meet formally with Fr Michael



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS:

IF ANYONE WOULD LIKE FLOWERS ON AN ALTAR OR BY A STATUE FOR CHRISTMAS IN MEMORY OF LOVED ONES, PLEASE SEE ANNE OR CATE.