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.

Theresa Adams, Pauline Agg, Sheila Cooney, Margaret Cooper, Chris Dickens, Joan & Terry Dixon, Frances Groves, Sean Hooper, Barbara Jarvis, Norma Jevnes, Michelle Price, Dave Wallett, Moya Wells, Pat Wilkins.

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

Gordon Bacon, Baby Bennett, Basil Bridgwater, Peg Byrne, Martha Cowley, Albert Diggett, William Fairless, Catherine Gallagher, George Green, Kevin Groves, Michael Haken, Graham Harper, Simon Harper, Jean Hunter, Brenda Jennings, James Lambley, Betty Langford, Raymond Mason, Arthur Maddox, Eileen Mole, Christopher Morris, Elizabeth Morris, Fr Michael O'Meara former Parish Priest, Leonard William Peach, Magdalene Perkins nee Churchill, Catherine Rose Piggott, Lee Potts, Stuart Roper, Maria Sylvana Rossi, Joseph Ryan, Winifred Ward,

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

The candle lamp on Our Lady's Altar burns this week for:

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

<u>CONFESSIONS</u> ARE AVAILABLE UP TO 10 MINUTES BEFORE EACH MASS - OR CONTACT FR PAUL

<u>PLEASE CHECK THE WEBSITE FOR REGULAR UPDATES!</u> The website is regularly updated and the newsletter is on usually every Thursday.

<u>www.saintmaryswednesbury.org.uk</u> <u>Please note the cut-off is Wednesday lunchtime</u>



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FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT 18TH DECEMBER 2022

<u> 18 DECEMBER 2022</u>	
Saturday Dec 17	5.00pm Mass (Dec'd of the Banks & Sambrooks Families RIP)
Sunday Dec 18	10.00am Mass (Fr Michael O'Meara RIP – Anniv – former PP)
	11.30am Traditional Latin Mass (People of the Parish)
Monday Dec 19	NO MASS
Tuesday Dec 20	9.30am Holy Rosary
	10.00am Mass (Christopher Morris RIP)
Wednesday Dec 21	10.00am Mass (Holy Souls)
Thursday Dec 22	10.00am Mass (Joan Barry RIP)
Friday Dec 23	9.00-9.45am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	10.00am Mass
Saturday Dec 24	5.00pm Sung Mass with Carols
	(Tegwen & Patrick Devenney RIP)
Christmas Eve	9pm Latin Mass
Sunday Dec 25	8.30am Mass
Christmas Day	10.00am Sung Parish Mass with Carols (For everyone on the
Solemnity of the Nativ	ity of the Lord Remembrance Tree RIP)
Monday Dec 26	11.00am Mass (Mollie & Albert Diggett RIP)
Feast of St Stephen, the first Martyr	

PARISH NEWS:

PLEASE NOTE: COULD THOSE RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION ON THE TONGUE, PLEASE CONTINUE TO RECEIVE LAST.

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY FAMILY CATECHISM:

A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY FOR CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES TO LEARN THE CATHOLIC FAITH TOGETHER ACCORDING TO THE CLASSIC BALTIMORE CATACHISM PLEASE VISIT: www.olrfamilycatechism.com

PIETY:

TONY DEVENNEY 07531 461366 2023 Diaries now in stock, and a wide range of Christmas cards & gifts.

YOUR PARISH STILL NEEDS YOUR HELP FINANCIALLY. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO CONSIDER SETTING UP A **STANDING ORDER, PLEASE CONTACT CATE ON 07773 712936** THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT AT THIS TIME. IF ANYONE IS INTERESTED IN BECOMING A GIFTAIDER AT NO EXTRA COST TO YOURSELF, PLEASE CATE. THE GIFT AID IS A VALUABLE EXTRA SOURCE OF INCOME TO THE CHURCH EMAIL: ga.stmaryoth.wednesbury@rcaob.org.uk



FR PAUL INVITES YOU ON A JOURNEY TO SHARE WITH HIM THE WAYS OF PRAYER ON HIS YOUTUBE CHANNEL "IN MONTEM SANCTUM" TO GIVE HOPE AND ENCOURAGEMENT IN THE WAYS OF FAITH. FR PAUL LESTER - YOUTUBE CHANNEL - IN MONTEM SANCTUM

DIARY:

WALSINGHAM 2023: 22ND - 26TH MAY

GIFT AID: IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE A GIFT AIDER, PLEASE SEE CATE OR TAKE A FORM FROM THE CHURCH PORCH. IF YOU ARE ALREADY A GIFTAIDER, THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT.

BAPTISMS:

BAPTISMS CAN NO LONGER BE BOOKED OVER THE PHONE OR VIA EMAIL, IF YOU WISH YOUR CHILD TO BE BAPTISED AT ST. MARY'S, PLEASE ATTEND MASS AND SEE FR PAUL IN PERSON EITHER BEFORE OR AFTER MASS.

TEA/COFFEE & TOAST EVERY THURDAY AFTER MASS. TEA & COFFEE AFTER MASS ON SUNDAYS.

FOOD BANK: THE FOOD BANK NOW MORE THAN EVER NEEDS OUR SUPPORT. THERE IS A BOX IN THE CHURCH PORCH FOR ANY DONATIONS OF TINNED OR DRIED FOODS, TOILETRIES ETC WHICH WILL BE GRATEFULLY RECEIVED. THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT IN THIS TIME OF NEED

The Guild of St Clare meetings are held every 4th Saturday at 11am in the Hall, preceded by Mass at 10am. All welcome. For more info contact Julie on: julieroberts1708@hotmail.com

PARISH NEWS:

Offertory: £210.66 (Week) Church Heating: £92.32 Attendance: 96 STANDING ORDERS (MONTHLY) £555 Thank you for your continued generosity.

CHRISTMAS MASSES:

CHRISTMAS EVE: 5PM SUNG MASS WITH CAROLS **9PM LATIN MASS CHRISTMAS DAY: 8.30AM MASS** 10AM SUNG PARISH MASS WITH CAROLS **BOXING DAY:** 11AM MASS The Christmas Offertory is for vour Parish Priest.

LUCKY SOUARE: - THREE CASH PRIZES OF £25, £12 AND £7. PLEASE NOTE THE DRAW WILL BE MADE ON THE 3RD SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH, SO PLEASE ENSURE THAT ALL MONIES ARE PAID PRIOR TO THIS, OTHERWISE THE NUMBER WILL NOT BE INCLUDED. IF ANYONE WISHES TO JOIN THE LUCKY SQUARE, PLEASE SEE TRACEY OR ONE OF THE STEWARDS. THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH.

THE CRIB OFFERINGS THIS YEAR WILL BE FOR THE SICK AND RETIRED PRIESTS OF THE **DIOCESE (THE JOHNSON FUND)**

STEWARDING HOLY **COMMUNION:**

WE WILL BE STEWARDING THE CHRISTMAS MASSES IE CHRISTMAS EVE (5PM) AND **CHRISTMAS MORNING (10AM),** THEN AFTER THAT THE PROCEDURE OF STEWARDING TO HOLY COMMUNION WILL CEASE. PARISHIONERS CAN GO UP FOR HOLY COMMUNION IN ANY ORDER - LIKE PRE-COVID -**BUT WE WILL RESPECTFULLY** ASK THAT ANYONE RECEIVING ON THE TONGUE TO PLEASE GO UP LAST.

AFTER THAT, THE STEWARDS WILL STILL MEET & GREET AT WEEKEND MASSES, AND WILL BE THERE TO HELP YOU IF NEEDED. WE WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO THANK THE STEWARDS FOR THEIR HARD WORK AND DEDICATION OVER THE LAST 3 YEARS. IT IS VERY MUCH APPRECIATED BY ALL AT ST. MARY'S.