

ADVENT ANTHEM TO OUR LADY

Alma Redemptoris Mater, quae pervia caeli
Porta manes, et stella maris, succurre cadenti,
Surgere qui curat, populo: tu quae genuisti,
Natura mirante, tuum sanctu 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

Sheila Burden, Mary Sheila Cashmore (Noon), Carl Hickman, Gordon Holt, Barbara Jarvis, Anne Jennings, Edna McNally, John Noakes, Michelle Price, Rose Ratcliffe, Dave Wallett, Moya Wells.

Of your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of Ken Baxter RIP recently deceased and for the souls of the faithfully departed whose anniversaries occur in DECEMBER: † (Please give Fr Paul of any additions to the list)

Gordon Bacon, Baby Bennett, Basil Bridgwater, Peg Byrne, Patrick Byrne, Martha Cowley, Albert Diggett, William Fairless, Catherine Gallagher, 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, John O'Connell, Fr Michael O'Meara, Leonard William Peach, Magdalene Perkins (Nee Churchill), Catherine Rose Piggott, Maria Silvana Rossi, Joseph Ryan, Winifred Ward

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:

Ken Baxter RIP

The candle lamps on the Sacred Heart Altar burn this week in memory of:

Patrick Ward RIP (Anniversary)

Ken Baxter RIP



OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS PRAY FOR US
Saint Mary's Catholic Church, Wednesbury

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Parish Priest: Fr Paul Lester

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT 2019

- Saturday Nov 30**
St Andrew, Apostle
11.00am Traditional Latin Mass *St Andrew (Holy Souls)*
2.30pm – Baptism – *Cadie-Leigh Jenkins*
4.30pm Vigil Mass (*Michael Ryan RIP*)
6.00pm Vigil Mass (*People of the Parish*)
- Sunday Dec 1**
10.00am Mass (*Eileen Mole RIP 2nd Anniversary*)
- Monday Dec 2**
No Mass
- Tuesday Dec 3**
St Francis Xavier
9.30am Holy Rosary
10.00am (*Ken Baxter RIP*)
- Wednesday Dec 4**
9.30am Holy Rosary
10.00am Mass (*Holy Souls*)
- Thursday Dec 5**
9.15am School Mass in School
12.00 Noon Traditional Latin Mass – *St Birinus*
9.00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Confessions during Exposition
10.00am Mass (*Mary & Ray Horton RIP*)
- 1ST FRIDAY**
10.00am Mass (*Mary & Ray Horton RIP*)
- Saturday Dec 7**
12.00 noon Traditional Latin Mass
4.30pm Vigil Mass (*Elizabeth & Alan Simpson RIP*)
6.00pm Vigil Mass (*James Lambley RIP*)
- Sunday Dec 8**
2nd Sunday of Advent
10.00am Mass (*People of the Parish*)
- CONFESSIONS WILL BE HEARD BEFORE AND AFTER EVERY MASS**

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Children's Liturgy – 8th December, 22nd December
Family (School Masses) – 15th December
Tour of Oscott – Sunday 8th December – see noticeboard
Carol Service – Thursday 19th December - whole School in Church 1.45pm
Brass Band Concert – 20th December – details to follow
Parish in Council Meeting – Tuesday 21st April 2020 at 6.30pm
Walsingham Pilgrimage – 27th-31st July 2020 – details to follow
The website is regularly updated and the newsletter is on usually every Friday.
www.saintmaryswednesbury.org.uk

ENQUIRIES CONCERNING BAPTISM & MARRIAGE MUST BE MADE DIRECTLY TO THE PARISH PRIEST AND NOT BY EMAIL, SO THAT AN APPOINTMENT CAN BE ARRANGED.



Please visit our piety stall at the back of Church for a wide variety of Christmas cards, candles, diaries etc.

ADVANCED NOTICE OF FORTHCOMING CHRISTMAS MASSES:

<u>TUESDAY DEC 24TH</u>	4.00PM CHILDREN'S MASS
<u>Christmas Eve</u>	6.00PM MASS
	10.00PM MASS
<u>WEDNESDAY DEC 25TH</u>	10.00AM PARISH MASS
<u>Christmas Day</u>	11.30AM TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS
<u>THURSDAY DEC 26TH</u>	12.00NOON MASS
<u>St. Stephen</u>	4.00PM TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS
<u>FRIDAY DEC 27TH</u>	9.00AM EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
<u>St John, Apostle</u>	10.00AM MASS
	12.00NOON TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS

CONFESSIONS BEFORE & AFTER EVERY MASS

FUNERAL:

†
KEN BAXTER – Funeral Service at St Bartholomew's, Friday 6th December at 12 noon, followed by cremation at 1pm.

PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM 2020 – 27TH-31ST JULY 2020 – DETAILS TO FOLLOW

Please note for any inclusions in the newsletter, the cut-off is Thursday lunchtime.

PARISH NEWS:

FINANCE:

Last week's collection raised £501.34 for the Parish:-	£221.00	Gift Aid
Thank you for your continued generosity.	£280.34	Loose
Last week's Mass attendance: 157		
Collection for Church Heating: £237.80		

I WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL OF YOU FOR THE WONDERFUL CELEBRATION FOR MY 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION LAST SUNDAY. FOR ALL THE HARD WORK BEHIND THE SCENES (WHICH I KNEW NOTHING ABOUT!) FOR ALL YOUR PRAYERS, KIND GIFTS, BUT ABOVE ALL FOR YOUR LOVE. FR PAUL.

WE ARE ON THE DIOCESAN WEBSITE! – www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk

ALSO PHOTOGRAPHS ARE NOW ON OUR OWN PARISH WEBSITE.

www.saintmaryswednesbury.org.uk

THE MAGAZINES ON THE TABLE IN THE CHURCH PORCH (INCLUDING THE ADVENT EDITION OF THE DIOCESAN MAGAZINE) ARE ALL FREE OF CHARGE – PLEASE TAKE A COPY.

CHURCH CLEANING FOR CHRISTMAS:

AFTER MASS ON TUESDAY 10TH DECEMBER - IF ANYONE COULD SPARE AN HOUR TO HELP OUR SMALL TEAM OF CLEANERS TO CLEAN OUR CHURCH READY FOR CHRISTMAS, THIS WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED. THANK YOU.

Sovereign Brass at Christmas

This year's festive treat from Sovereign features guest soloist, **Charlie Green**. Charlie is an English-Filipino singer from Droitwich, Worcestershire, best known for appearing on the second series of *Britain's Got Talent* in 2008. After the show, Charlie signed a record deal with Star Records and released his debut album, "Charlie Green".

The programme will include something for all the family, from traditional carols to Christmas classics such as "Sleigh Ride", "Stop the Cavalry" and "White Christmas". The kids will love the "Symphonic Highlights from Frozen", too! We look forward to seeing you there.....



Adult tickets: £5.00	Friday 20th December at 7:30 p.m. St. Mary's on the Hill, Wednesbury (Fund raising event for the parish)	Refreshments will be served in St. Mary's Church Hall during the interval.
Family tickets (2 adults & children): £10.00	 	

SOVEREIGN BRASS AT ST MARYS – FRIDAY 20TH DECEMBER AT 7.30PM

TICKETS: £5 ADULT FAMILY TICKETS (2 ADULTS & 2 CHILDREN) £10

REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE AT INTERVAL:

MULLED WINE, TEA OR COFFEE & MINCEPIE £2