

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 Jeynes, Michelle Price, Dave Wallett, Moya Wells, Pat Wilkins.

PLEASE PRAY FOR POPE EMERITUS BENEDICT XVI

Let us pray. Almighty and Eternal God. You are the everlasting health of those who believe in YOU. Hear our prayers for your sick servant Benedict for whom we implore the aid of Your tender mercy. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Of your charity, please pray for the repose of the the soul of RONALD TURNER RIP recently deceased, and for the souls of the faithfully departed whose anniversaries occur in Anniversaries in JANUARY †

Trudie Burns, Archie Burrows, William Clarke, Michaela Cole, Mary Cousins, Mary B. Dalton, Syd Davies, Albert Diggett, Kathleen Garbett nee Mason, Raymond Gayden, Rose Giddins, Lola Haken, Rene Hall, Gordon Holt, Betty Joynes, John Patrick Kelly, Con Kiley, Mary Kirk, John Joseph Lane, Elsie Langley, Raymond Peter Lester, Joyce Maddox, James McNally, Marian Maczka, Monica & Joseph Moran, Norman Morris, Alan Payne, George Payne, Albert Peach, Bernard George Peach, John Peach, Fr John Piris (former PP), Mary Stanley, Roland Vernon, Bridget Ward, Derek Wilkins, Clara Withers, Margaret Woodcock, William Whorriskey.

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 Fr Paul or Cate.

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

Frank & Olwen Borg RIP

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

CONFESSIONS ARE AVAILABLE UP TO 10 MINUTES BEFORE EACH MASS – OR CONTACT FR PAUL

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

www.saintmaryswednesbury.org.uk

Please note the cut-off is Wednesday lunchtime

The Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham registered Charity No. 234216



**OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS PRAY FOR US
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SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

1ST JANUARY 2023

Saturday Dec 31	5.00pm Mass (<i>Norman & Margaret Beresford RIP</i>)
Sunday Jan 1	10.00am Mass (<i>Fr John Piris RIP – Anniv – former PP</i>) 11.30am Traditional Latin Mass (<i>People of the Parish</i>)
Monday Jan 2	NO MASS
Tuesday Jan 3	9.30am Holy Rosary 10.00am Mass (<i>Holy Souls</i>)
Wednesday Jan 4	10.00am Mass (<i>Raymond Peter Lester RIP – Anniversary</i>)
Thursday Jan 5	NO MASS
Friday Jan 6	9.00-9.45am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Solemnity of the Epiphany 10.00am Mass 6.30pm Latin Mass
<u>HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION</u>	
Saturday Jan 7	5.00pm Mass
Sunday Jan 8	10.00am Mass (<i>People of the Parish</i>) Feast of the Baptism of the Lord 11.30am Traditional Latin Mass

PARISH NEWS:

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 CATECHISM PLEASE VISIT: www.olrfamilycatechism.com

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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.

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

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

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.

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

LUCKY SQUARE: - 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.

PARISH NEWS:

Offertory: (Week)

Attendance during Christmas: 245
STANDING ORDERS (MONTHLY) 555
Thank you for your continued generosity.

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

CHURCH CLEAN: THE NEXT CHURCH CLEAN WILL BE FRIDAY 6TH JANUARY AFTER MASS. HELPERS NEEDED PLEASE.

STEWARDSING HOLY COMMUNION:

THE PROCEDURE OF STEWARDING TO HOLY COMMUNION IS NO LONGER IN PLACE. 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. THE STEWARDS WILL STILL MEET & GREET AT WEEKEND MASSES, AND WILL BE THERE TO HELP YOU IF NEEDED.

CHURCH HEATING: PLEASE DON'T FORGET TO MAKE A CONTRIBUTION TOWARDS THE HEATING OF OUR CHURCH THIS WINTER. I AM SURE YOU ALL APPRECIATE THE WARMTH. PLEASE PUT ANY CONTRIBUTIONS EITHER IN THE WALL BOX MARKED "CHURCH HEATING" NEAR TO OUR LADY'S ALTAR OR IN THE BOX PROVIDED AT THE BACK OF CHURCH. THANK YOU.



FR PAUL'S THANK YOU MESSAGE:

I have been very moved by everyone's kindness and offerings this Christmas. I want to thank you all for the way you have supported our parish of St Mary. What will the new year bring for you and me is in the hands of God but we feel confident that whatever comes we can meet everything with trust that good always triumphs and that we can meet any challenges that life brings. Let us be happy and be filled with joy because in the coming of Jesus into our world we have the true Light to see our way.
Thank you. Fr Paul.