

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, Graham Humphries, Barbara Jarvis, Anne Jennings,
Janice Lambley, Edna McNally, John Noakes, Michelle Price, Dave Walllett.

Of your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of Catherine Gallagher RIP recently deceased, and for 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 Sylvania Rossi, Joseph Ryan, Winifred Ward.

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CHRISTMAS WEEK 2018

- 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*)
- Monday Dec 24** 10.00-11.00am Confessions
4.00pm Children's Mass (*People of the Parish*)
- Christmas Eve* 5.30pm Carols
6.00pm Mass (*Deceased Members of the Payne Family RIP*)
- Tuesday Dec 25** **8.00am** Mass (*Maureen Peach RIP*)
- Christmas Day* **9.30am** Traditional Latin Sung Mass (*Frank & Olwen Borg RIP*)
- Wednesday Dec 26** 10.00am Mass (*Kevin Groves RIP Anniversary*)
St Stephen – Feast **12noon** Traditional Latin Mass
- Thursday Dec 27** **8.00am** Traditional Latin Mass
St John, Apostle, Evangelist 10.00am Mass (*Gerard Henderson RIP*)
- Friday Dec 28** **8.00am** Traditional Latin Mass
No Exposition
- The Holy Innocents* 10.00am Mass (*Frank Waters RIP*)
- Saturday Dec 29** Confessions will be heard before Mass
St Thomas Becket **11.00am** Traditional Latin Mass (*Elizabeth Morris RIP*)
Theodore Richards Dunlavey - Baptism 1pm
5.00-5.45pm Confessions
6.00pm Vigil Mass (*Brigid Madden RIP*)
- Sunday Dec 30** 10.00am Mass (*People of the Parish*)
The Holy Family

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 lamps on Our Lady's Altar burn this week in memory of:

Frank & Olwen Borg RIP

Harry Smith & Christopher Slater RIP

Daisy Bea & Lily Mae Fraser-Bacon RIP

Margaret Piddock RIP

John Dixon RIP

Ints of all the Devenney Family

Deceased Members of the Mason & Maddox Families RIP

Deceased Members of the Agg Family RIP

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

Frank & Olwen Borg RIP

Norman Beresford RIP

Deceased Members of the Taylor Family RIP

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Children's Liturgy - 23rd December, 20th January, 3rd February, 17th February, 3rd March

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

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

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

Walsingham Pilgrimage – 26th–30th August 2019

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

PARISH NEWS:

This week's collection raised £409 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.

CHRISTMAS IS A TIME WHEN WE SHOULD GIVE THANKS TO GOD FOR ALL OUR BLESSINGS. IT IS A TIME WHEN WE APPRECIATE HOW IMPORTANT IT IS FOR US TO COME AND WORSHIP GOD TOGETHER AS A PARISH COMMUNITY HERE AT ST. MARY'S. I WISH TO THANK YOU ALL FOR ALL THE SUPPORT AND KINDNESS YOU HAVE SHOWN ME OVER THE PAST YEAR. LET US CONTINUE TO WORK TOGETHER IN THE NEW YEAR TO BUILD UP GOD'S KINGDOM IN OUR HOMES AND COMMUNITY. GOD BLESS YOU ALL. FR PAUL.

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

ANY DONATIONS TOWARDS THE COST OF THE CHRISTMAS FLOWERS IN CHURCH WOULD BE MOST GRATEFULLY RECEIVED. YOU CAN MAKE YOUR DONATION EITHER IN THE FLOWERS BOX IN THE CHURCH PORCH, OR HAND TO FR PAUL PERSONALLY. THANK YOU.

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

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

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.**

Times of Confessions:

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