

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

Brian Jennings RIP

Joan Swift RIP (3rd Anniversary 25th November)

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

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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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.

SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

24TH NOVEMBER 2024

Saturday Nov 23 <i>Feria</i>	5.00pm Mass (<i>Margaret Beresford RIP - Anniversary</i>)
Sunday Nov 24 <i>Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe</i>	10.00am Mass (<i>People of the Parish</i>)
Monday Nov 25 <i>Feria</i>	NO MASS
Tuesday Nov 26 <i>Feria</i>	NO ROSARY OR MASS
Wednesday Nov 27 <i>Feria</i>	NO MASS
Thursday Nov 28 <i>Feria</i>	10.00am Mass (<i>Holy Souls</i>) Schoolchildren in Attendance
Friday Nov 29 <i>Feria</i>	9.00am – 9.45am Adoration & Benediction 10.00am Mass (<i>People of the Parish</i>)
Saturday Nov 30 <i>Feast of St Andrew, Apostle</i>	5.00pm Mass (<i>Dec'd Members of the Sambrooks Family RIP</i>)
Sunday Dec 1 <i>First Sunday of Advent</i>	10.00am Mass (<i>Eileen Mole RIP – Anniversary</i>)

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

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.

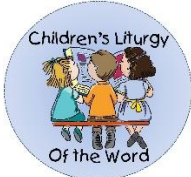
HEALTH & SAFETY MESSAGE:

PARISHIONERS ARE ADVISED TO TAKE CARE WHEN ACCESSING CHURCH WHEN THERE IS FROST OR SNOW AS THERE ARE POTENTIALLY A NUMBER OF HAZARDS BENEATH WITH DAMAGED SLABS. WE CANNOT ALWAYS ENSURE THAT THE AREA IS GRITTED AS WE RELY ON THE GOODWILL OF VOLUNTEERS TO ASSIST. 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.

Nov winners: 1st 55 R.Jeynes
2nd 80 G. Cox 3rd 101 B. Jarvis

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

DIARY:

SCHOOL ADVENT SERVICE: MON 2ND DEC 2.00PM IN SCHOOL - Parishioners Welcome

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

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.

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.

SOVEREIGN BRASS CHRISTMAS CONCERT: FRI 13TH DEC 7.30PM
TICKETS ON SALE: ADULT £7.50
CONCESION £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 NEWS:

Offertory: £268.89 (Week)

Attendance: 42 + 64 = 106

Candles: £70 Wedding: £100

Standing Orders: (MONTHLY):
£813 (SEPT) Thank you for your continued generosity.

This weekend: Retiring Diocese
Collection for Catholic Youth Service

THANKS TO SANDWELL COUNCIL WHO GAVE US A GRANT TO PAY FOR THE NEW TABLES IN THE HALL. A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HELPED WITH THE SURVEY TO HELP US GET THIS GRANT, AND FOR YOUR SUPPORT. MARGARET.

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.

CHRISTMAS FAYRE TOTAL NOW STANDS AT £1,501.62

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.



THE CRIB OFFERINGS THIS YEAR WILL BE FOR THE MAKE A WISH FOUNDATION.



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS:

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

CHRISTMAS MASSES:

CHRISTMAS EVE CHILDRENS' MASS 4PM

CHRISTMAS EVE CAROLS 5.30PM

CHRISTMAS EVE MASS 6PM

CHRISTMAS DAY MASS 10AM

DEC 26TH ST STEPHEN 11AM MASS

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