

CHRISTMAS MASSES (BOOKINGS ONLY)

CHRISTMAS EVE 5PM

CHRISTMAS EVE 7PM

CHRISTMAS MORNING 8AM (LATIN)

CHRISTMAS MORNING 10AM

FORMS AVAILABLE NOW FOR YOU TO SIGN & BOOK IN FOR A MASS (SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY & WILL BE CONFIRMED). A SEATING PLAN WILL BE ORGANISED. PLEASE NOTE THAT NUMBERS ARE RESTRICTED SO WE APOLOGISE IF YOU DO NOT GET THE MASS THAT YOU REQUEST.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THE SICK OF OUR PARISH, MAY GOD BLESS AND COMFORT THEM.

Margaret Beresford, Mary Sheila Cashmore (Noon), Sheila Cooney, Terry Dixon, Carl Hickman, Gordon Holt, Sean Hooper, Barbara Jarvis, Gary Piddock, Michelle Price, Matthew Pritchett, Rose Ratcliffe, Glen Smickersgill, Dave Wallett, Moya Wells, Pat Wilkins, Dawn Wood.

Of your charity, please pray for the repose of the 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, Patrick Byrne, Peg Byrne, Martha Cowley, Albert Diggett, William Fairless, Catherine Gallagher, George Green, Kevin Groves, Michael Haken, Graham Harper, Simon Harper, Jean Hunter, Mrs. Jennings, Arthur Maddox, Eileen Mole, James Lambley, Betty Langford, Raymond Mason, Elizabeth Morris, Fr Michael O'Meara (former Parish Priest), Christopher Morris, John O'Connell, Leonard William Peach, Magdalene Perkins (nee Churchill) Catherine Rose Piggott, Maria Sylvana 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 or Cate.

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

Deceased Members of the Agg & Taylor Families RIP

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

Brian Cowley RIP

If anyone would like to have *flowers in Church at a place of your choice in memory of a loved one or for any other occasion* during Christmas, the intention will be on the newsletter. Please see Anne or Cate to arrange. Also if anyone can donate holly or evergreen to help with the decorations, please let Anne know. Any donations towards Christmas flowers for Church will be gratefully received. Thank you.

PLEASE CHECK THE WEBSITE FOR REGULAR UPDATES!

The website is regularly updated and the newsletter is on usually every Thursday or Friday. Please note the cut-off is Wednesday lunchtime www.saintmaryswednesbury.org.uk



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

29TH NOVEMBER 2020

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

FOLLOWING GOVERNMENT GUIDELINES THE CHURCH WILL BE OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER ON SUNDAY 29TH NOV AND TUESDAY 1ST DEC 10-11AM. PLEASE BE QUIET & REVERENT, THE BLESSED SACRAMENT IS EXPOSED AND PEOPLE ARE PRAYING. THANK YOU.

MASSES WILL RE-COMMENCE ON THURS 3RD DECEMBER AT 10AM. AND WILL THEN BE:-

TUESDAY 10AM

THURSDAY 10AM

SATURDAY 5PM

SUNDAY 10AM.

USUAL PROCEDURES WILL BE FOLLOWED RE HOLY COMMUNION ON THE HAND ONLY, SANITISING, STEWARDS, ONE-WAY SYSTEM, SOCIAL DISTANCING ETC.

Tuesday Dec 1	10.00am-11.00am <u>Private Prayer</u>
Thursday Dec 3	10.00am Mass (<i>Eileen Mole RIP – Anniv 1st Dec</i>)
<i>St Francis Xavier</i>	
Saturday Dec 5	<i>Baptism – 12 noon - Marcinova Fedakova</i>
<i>St Birinus</i>	5.00pm Mass (<i>People of the Parish</i>)
Sunday Dec 6	8.00am <i>Traditional Latin Mass**</i>
<i>2nd Sunday of Advent</i>	10.00am Mass (<i>James Lambley RIP</i>)

**** Please note that Holy Communion WILL NOT be given at this Mass while the current guidelines are in force** This Mass will be at the Sacred Heart Altar**

MASSES ALREADY OFFERED BY FR PAUL IN PRIVATE:

Margaret Beresford

Intentions of Angela Costley

Irene Costley (Sick)

MASSES THAT HAVE BEEN BOOKED WILL BE SAID DURING THE FORTHCOMING WEEKS.

WE ARE STILL TAKING **MASS INTENTIONS** FOR FR PAUL TO SAY PRIVATELY AND ALSO THE **ALTAR LAMPS** WHICH ARE LIT FOR THE WHOLE WEEK FOR INTENTIONS. YOU CAN PUT ANY MASS STIPENDS THROUGH THE PRESBYTERY LETTER BOX. THANK YOU.



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

YOUR PARISH STILL NEEDS YOUR HELP FINANCIALLY - WE URGE YOU PLEASE TO PUT YOUR OFFERTORY ENVELOPES THROUGH THE PRESBYTERY LETTER BOX **OR BRING THEM TO CHURCH**. THANK YOU. FR PAUL. 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 HAS ANY ENVELOPES THEY WOULD LIKE COLLECTING, PLEASE CONTACT CATE TO ARRANGE.**

IF YOU WISH TO PURCHASE ANY CARDS, CANDLES, GIFTS CHRISTMAS CARDS, CALENDARS ETC FROM **PIETY**, PLEASE ARRANGE BY CONTACTING TONY DEVENNEY 07531 461366 **COULD YOU PLEASE PURCHASE ANYTHING YOU NEED FOR CHRISTMAS BECAUSE PIETY WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE AT CHRISTMAS MASSES.**

CHRISTMAS CARDS: SOME PARISHIONERS LIKE TO SEND & RECEIVE CHRISTMAS CARDS, BUT THIS YEAR YOU HAVE A CHOICE, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO DONATE TOWARDS THE CHURCH RESTORATION FUND IN LIEU OF SENDING CARDS, THERE IS A FORM **AVAILABLE NOW FOR YOU TO SIGN AND PUT A MESSAGE TO YOUR FELLOW PARISHIONERS, AND A BOX PROVIDED FOR YOUR DONATION.** **PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL BE NO PROVISION FOR CARDS TO BE LEFT ON THE TABLE IN THE PORCH.**

PARISH NEWS:

NEARLY NEW SALE: THERE WILL BE AN OUTDOORS NEARLY NEW SALE BEFORE AND AFTER MASSES ON THE WEEKENDS OF 5/6TH DECEMBER AND 12/13TH DECEMBER. IDEAL FOR CHRISTMAS PRESENTS. ALL PROCEEDS TO THE CHURCH RESTORATION FUND.

THE DIOCESAN MAGAZINE "THE SOWER" - ADVENT EDITION IS NOW AVAILABLE - PLEASE TAKE A FREE COPY (SEE PAGE 19)

IS THERE ANYONE YOU KNOW WHO WOULD LIKE A NEWSLETTER? COULD YOU PLEASE PICK UP A COPY FOR THEM AND POST IT THROUGH THEIR LETTERBOX? SOME PARISHIONERS DO NOT HAVE A COMPUTER AND THIS WOULD BE REALLY HELPFUL. THANK YOU.

FUNDRAISING UPDATE:

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.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE TICKETS ON SALE NOW.

THE FUNDRAISING WILL BE ON-GOING FOR MORE PROJECTS, WHICH WILL BE IN FORTHCOMING NEWSLETTERS.

THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH.

