CHRISTMAS MASSES (BOOKINGS ONLY)

CHRISTMAS EVE 5PM & 7PM

CHRISTMAS MORNING 8AM (LATIN) & 10AM

DUE TO COVID-19 RESTRICTED NUMBERS, WE APOLOGISE FOR ANY DISAPPOINTMENT. FOR THE SAFETY OF ALL, WE MUST FOLLOW THE GUIDELINES. PLEASE ALLOW PLENTY OF TIME TO ALLOW FOR SEATING BEFORE MASS STARTS, THERE WILL BE A SEATING PLAN, PLEASE FOLLOW THE STEWARD'S INSTRUCTIONS. AT THE END OF MASS ON THE STEWARDS' INSTRUCTIONS, EVERYONE WILL LEAVE VIA FR PAUL FOR EITHER HOLY COMMUNION OR A BLESSING (PLEASE INDICATE YOU WANT A BLESSING BY CROSSING YOUR ARMS OVER YOUR CHEST) AND EXIT VIA THE SACRISTY. THE STEWARDS & SANITISERS ALL WISH YOU A HAPPY & BLESSED CHRISTMAS.

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

Mary Sheila Cashmore (Noon), Sheila Cooney, Terry Dixon, Lorraine Haken, 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 soul of MARGARET BERESFORD RIP 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, 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.

 $\frac{\text{The Altar of Our Lady and the Sacred Heart} - \text{to have the candle lamp burn for your intentions}}{\text{or loved ones for the week} - £10} - \text{please see Fr Paul or Cate.}}$

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:

Arthur Maddox RIP (Anniversary 10th December)

If anyone would like to have <u>flowers in Church at a place of your choice in memory of a loved one or for any other occasion</u> 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.



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

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Parish Priest: Fr Paul Lester

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT 6TH DECEMBER 2020

Saturday Dec 5 Baptism – 12 noon - Marcinova Fedakova

St Birinus 5.00pm Mass (People of the Parish)

Sunday Dec 6 8.00am Traditional Latin Mass** (DeceasedMembers of the

Fahey & Hill Families RIP)

10.00am Mass (James Lambley RIP)

Tuesday Dec 8 10.00am Mass (Margaret Beresford RIP)

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Thursday Dec 10 10.00am Mass (Kath Mitchell RIP)

Saturday Dec 12 5.00pm Mass (Deceased Members of the Holt Family RIP)
Sunday Dec 13 8.00am Traditional Latin Mass** (People of the Parish)
3rd Sunday of Advent 10.00am Mass (Deceased Members of the Spray & Carless

Families RIP)

USUAL PROCEDURES WILL BE FOLLOWED RE HOLY COMMUNION ON THE HAND ONLY, SANITISING, STEWARDS, ONE-WAY SYSTEM, FACE COVERINGS TO BE WORN, SOCIAL DISTANCING ETC. PLEASE REFER TO SPECIAL EDITION NEWSLETTER OR PARISH WEBSITE FOR GUIDELINES.

** 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

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

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

WE ARE STILL TAKING <u>MASS INTENTIONS</u> AND ALSO THE <u>ALTAR LAMPS</u> WHICH ARE LIT FOR THE WHOLE WEEK FOR INTENTIONS. YOU CAN PUT ANY MASS STIPENDS THROUGH THE PRESBYTERY LETTER BOX OR HAND TO A STEWARD TO PASS ON TO FR PAUL. 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 <u>PIETY</u>, PLEASE ARRANGE BY CONTACTING TONY DEVENNEY 07531 461366 <u>COULD YOU PLEASE PURCHASE ANYTHING YOU NEED FOR CHRISTMAS BECAUSE PIETY WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE AT CHRISTMAS MASSES.</u>

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.

PLEASE CHECK THE WEBSITE FOR REGULAR UPDATES!

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

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.

CHRISTMAS MASSES: (SEE OVER PAGE FOR DETAILS)

ANYONE WHO HAS BOOKED FOR CHRISTMAS MASSES UP UNTIL 30^{TH} NOVEMBER HAVE ALL BEEN ACCOMMODATED. ANY NEW BOOKINGS, PLEASE SEE CATE.

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.

IF ANYONE WISHES TO JOIN THE LUCKY SQUARE, PLEASE SEE TRACEY OR ONE OF THE STEWARDS.

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.

MARGARET BERESFORD RIP FUNERAL MASS:

TUESDAY 22ND DECEMBER AT 10AM

Please note that funerals are by family invitation only due to current restrictions.

