

WELCOME – THE CATHOLIC FAITH COMMUNITY OF OUR LADY AND ALL SAINTS, STOURBRIDGE.
A COMMUNITY OF LOVE, PRAYER AND SERVICE – A COMMUNITY OF CHRIST'S FAITHFUL.

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN STOURBRIDGE - CTiS

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Our Lady and All Saints Catholic Church
13 New Road
STOURBRIDGE
West Midlands
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GO IN PEACE

*telling the Good News
 sharing in the Breaking of the Bread
 enriching the Community
 through our talents, treasure and time:
 transforming the Community
 by prayer and by action*



TODAY WE CELEBRATE THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD 04TH/05TH JANUARY 2020 YEAR A
"A Judaeo - Christian Community in the Roman Catholic Tradition"

DATE	JANUARY 2020	TIME	MASS INTENTION	FEAST
Saturday	04TH	5-00PM	Mary Hartland RIP	
Sunday	05TH	8-30AM	PEOPLE OF THE PARISH	THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD
		10-30AM	Carlton Rigby RIP	
Monday	06TH	8-45AM	MORNING PRAYER	
		9-00AM	EUCCHARISTIC SERVICE	
Tuesday	07TH	9-30AM	HAGLEY SCHOOL	FUNERAL MASS
		12-30PM	JOHN O'DONNELL RIP	ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL
Wednesday	08TH	9-10AM	John William Blockway RIP	
Thursday	09TH	9-00AM	Intentions Kevin McIlwhee	
Friday	10TH	7-00PM	ROZARY	
		7-30PM	Roger Curran RIP	
Saturday	11TH	9-30AM	ADORATION	
		10-00AM	Rosemary Richardson RIP/Tony + Norah O'Malley RIP	
		10-30AM	CONFESSIONS	
		4-30PM	CONFESSIONS	
		5-00PM	Special Intention	
Sunday	12TH	8-30AM	PEOPLE OF THE PARISH	THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD
		10-30AM	Mary Wrigley RIP	



SERVED by and Contact Details:

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MONDAY/THURSDAY/FRIDAY 9-30AM – 12NOON

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OUR LADY AND ALL SAINTS TODDLERS GROUP

Tuesday Morning 10-00AM – 12-00NOON

PIETY STALL OPEN AFTER THE 10-30AM MASS ON SUNDAY IN THE PARISH CENTRE. THANKS TO MAGGIE AND CHRIS.
THERE IS A VARIETY OF RELIGIOUS OBJECTS, RELIGIOUS CARDS – ITEMS FOR ALL OCCASIONS – DO PAY A VISIT!

Have a **WONDERFUL** Week -
 04/01/2020 23-45PM

Filled with Faith + Joy, Love + Peace Do Take Great Care Fr Des
 THANKYOU/VIelen DANK /GRACIAS/ GRAZIE/ MERCI/ OBRIGADO
 THE PARISH IS PART OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM - REGISTERED CHARITY NO. 234216

ALL SAINTS YOUTH GROUP –

We will return on Thursday 09TH January 2020, 6-30PM – 8-00PM.

*HAPPY
 TWENTY-TWENTY!*

*'Faith is the art of holding on to things
 your reason has once accepted,
 in spite of your changing moods.'*



CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS OF THE CHURCH - Grateful thanks to Steve McNally and the team of parish flower arrangers who once again have excelled themselves in the beautiful way they have prepared Christmas floral decorations for our church and the setting up the Christmas Crib before the Altar. Immense Thanks too for their wonderful work throughout the year.

2019 has been another year of rising client numbers at REPLENISH and we have fed 30% more adults and children than in the previous year. With living costs growing, having to survive on a very low income and being in debt are now the main issues for our clients. We are also seeing more people who are employed part time and finding it hard to manage on their wages, due to the variation in their working hours.

As a team we continue to be amazed at the generosity of the local church congregations and organisations, as well as the many individuals who support us so faithfully. A special thank you must go to everyone at OLAS - we couldn't do what we do without you letting us use your building and for being our largest food donor!

Our Parish Community invites each person to be an active and participating member in all the aspects of Parish Life. We care for each other and we want to worship and serve our Lord and one another.
Do please consider volunteering by participating wherever you feel you can help and serve.

We remember all those who have died recently - Canon Gerry Breen, Fr Brian Doolan, Fr John Ellis, Fr John Dewis, Sister Sabina, Joan Tompkinson, Margaret Wieckowski, Rene Homer, Margaret Simmons, Alan Jones, and Sue Morrissey, - and all those who have died because of violence, terrorism, and tragedy - and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

ETERNAL PEACE, GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD.

We remember in prayer Families and Friends who miss the presence of someone they love - all those who are bereaved. May they be reassured always of the Lord's Love and Care.

WEEKEND MASSES

Masses - Saturday Evening 5-00PM

WEEKDAY MASSES -

BAPTISMS SUNDAY 12-30PM

CONFESSION/RECONCILIATION -

[1] After Masses [2] On Request [3] Penitential Services [Advent/Lent/Summer] [4] Saturday 10-30AM / 4-30PM

MARRIAGES/WEDDINGS -

Sunday 8-30AM 10-30AM [Music Group / School / Fr Des / Choir]

Please see the Mass Times on the Parish Newsletter / Website

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION - 2ND/4TH THURSDAYS OF THE MONTH

The Sacrament of God's Love - God's Friendship - God's Peace

Saturdays 12-00NOON/1-00PM

Two monologues do not make a dialogue.

VISITATION TO THE SICK / THE SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK

We are anxious to help anyone who cannot celebrate Mass with us because of illness or age or being house-bound. If you wish to receive this Sacrament - or are going into hospital - please contact Deacon Tom [CHAPLAIN] or Fr Des. We pray for those who are sick, unwell, house-bound in our Parish - we remember all who have asked our prayers.

COFFEE AND TEA IN THE PARISH CENTRE AFTER SUNDAY 10-30AM MASS - ALL WELCOME

A Simple Prayer -

In Jesus' Name, we continue to pray,

In Jesus' Name, we continue to serve,

In Jesus' Name, we continue to love,

In Jesus Name, we continue to live.

In Jesus' Name, we continue to listen. AMEN

Don't Forget 6-00PM Each Day - The Our Father.



WEBSITES -

<https://dudley-catholicdeanery.org.uk>

www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk

www.olas.org.uk

www.st-jo-st.dudley.sch.uk

www.hagleyrc.com

www.stnicholasowen-mac.org.uk

[DEANERY WEBSITE]

[ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM]

[OUR LADY AND ALL SAINTS]

[ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL]

[HAGLEY CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL]

[ST NICHOLAS OWEN MULTI ACADEMY COMPANY - SNOMAC]

PRAYER SUPPORT ONLINE -

<https://pray-as-you-go.org>

<https://jesuitprayer.org>

<https://www.sacredspace.ie>

<https://www.jesuit.org.uk/where-will-god-find-you-july>

Without the Way there is no going / Without the Truth there is no knowing / Without the Life there is no living. **THOMAS A KEMPIE**

God bless you in the New Year, And send from above:

The joy of his presence, the warmth of his love:

The hope of His mercy, His comforting ways:

His promise of peace, To enrich all your days.

Consider your neighbours

not just at one particular phase

of their existence

but through all the stages

of their life.

What distinguishes the Christian from the non-Christian?

NOTHING

The Christian is no better or no worse - he/she is no more virtuous than the others: in fact, he/she might even be less so. No more loving or giving than anyone else: there are people who love more. There's only one difference: as a Christian you believe that God loves you and that if you welcome this love, it will be transmitted to the world through you, and on this love the world will be built.

Fr Michel Quoist - French Writer

A grandmother is a babysitter who watches the kids instead of the television.

We stand up for the Gospel. Standing itself is a sign, of our respect for the Good News of Christ. The priest says: "A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew" (or whichever evangelist it is), and while he does so he—and we—make the sign of the Cross with our right thumb on forehead, lips and heart. The meaning is not difficult to grasp: I want the words of the Gospel to bring Christ to my mind, Christ on my lips, Christ in my heart.

'We desire to be able to welcome Jesus at Christmas-time, not in a cold manger of our heart, but in a heart full of love and humility, in a heart so pure, so immaculate, so warm with love for one another.'

Pope Francis calls us to live in the Light of Faith'

A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HELPED AND WERE INVOLVED WITH OUR WONDERFUL AND SO MEMORABLE CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS TO MAKE THIS A JOY-FILLED AND FAITH - FILLED SEASON.
THANKS TOO for your prayers and encouragement, your support, inspiration and perspiration! and help during the past year.
THANKS TO ALL OF YOU FOR CONTRIBUTING TO THE LIFE AND THE PARISH OF OLAS IN 2019
May God bless our homes and our lives, our families and our Parish now and especially in the New Year 2020.

A big heartfelt THANK YOU for your amazing Christmas Offerings, all the Cards and Gifts and dare I say it – BOTTLES!!!!
YOU ARE ALL SO THOUGHTFUL, GENEROUS AND KIND. THANK YOU ONE AND ALL SO MUCH FR DES
In 2020 – YOU ARE WISHED a Glimpse of Heaven - Much Happiness - Many Blessings - Lots of Joy.

As we begin a New Year 2020 – we remember in our prayers those of our Parish Community who in 2019 received Baptismal Life - those who received the Bread of Life and Reconciliation for the first time - those who received the Sacrament of Confirmation - those who received the Sacrament of Marriage - and those who entered the Eternal Life.

OLAS PARISH COLLECTIONS

18/19 JANUARY
 08/09 FEBRUARY
 15/16 FEBRUARY
 29 FEB/01 MARCH
 07/08 MARCH
 10 APRIL
 02/03 MAY
 23/24 MAY
 20/21 JUNE

JANUARY – JUNE 2020

PAX-CHRISTI
 RACIAL JUSTICE
 PRO-LIFE
 CATHEDRAL MAINTENANCE
 LENT FAST (CAFOD) – FRIDAY 06 MARCH
 HOLY PLACES
 CLERGY TRAINING FUND
 CATHOLIC COMMUNICATIONS
 DAY FOR LIFE

Do not walk through time without leaving worthy evidence of your passage.
ST POPE JOHN 23RD

Let gratitude for the past inspire us with trust for the future.
FRANCOIS FENELON

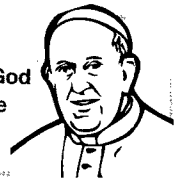
Sow seeds of joy in your neighbour's garden and you will see them bloom in your own!!!!!!

WEEKEND	04TH/05TH JANUARY 2020	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	READERS	BELL RINGERS
5-00PM	Jo McCole, Sarah Price, Dom Toni, Luke Morris, Elizabeth Fryer		Colin Elcock	
8-30AM	Angela Fletcher, Helena Pearson,		Chizo Agwu	
10-30AM	Robert Morley, Anna Morley, Judith Piper, Alice Grennan		Peter Parry	
COFFEE ROTA	Anne and Maurice Sargent		ALTAR LINEN	Angela Fletcher

WEEK COMMENCING
GIFT AID COUNTERS -
NON GIFT AID COUNTERS
CHURCH CLEANING TEAM – 1

06TH JANUARY 2020
 Joan McIlwee and Harry Cox
 Simon Tudor and John Polychronakis
 Brenda O'Sullivan, Margaret Glynn, Helena Pearson, Jeannie.

Thank God for Pope Francis



GIFT AID £360-70 **NON GIFT AID £648-24**
 This week we sent £1300 to CAFOD. This was collected via the Friday Box and the CAFOD Christmas Collection.

WEEKEND	11TH/12TH JANUARY 2020	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	READERS	BELL RINGERS
5-00PM	Dee Bradley, Jacinta Gibbons, Charlotte Colesby, Christine Marsh Sarah PD		Anne Tudor	
8-30AM	Suzanne Horan, Glynn Lewis, Joe Woodall		Tony Meehan	
10-30AM	Ian Oakes, Peter Parry, Sam Hull, Kathryn Keay		Michele Riley	
COFFEE ROTA	Alice Grennan and Shelagh Fletcher		ALTAR LINEN	Bernadette Woodfield

WEEK COMMENCING
GIFT AID COUNTERS
NON GIFT AID COUNTERS
CHURCH CLEANING TEAM - 2

13TH JANUARY 2020
 Jane Tringham and John Lewis
 Kathryn Keay and Rachel O'Brien
 Eileen Chatterley, Helen Chater, Kevin and Caroline McGuinness and Susanna Deamley

MESSAGE FROM THE OPERATION CHRISTMAS SANTA TEAM

You're Amazing - Thank you so much for your kindness and generously supporting our Operation Santa Dudley Borough Appeal. You are helping us put a smile on the faces of local children and young people on Christmas Morning, who may otherwise think that Santa has forgotten them. Thanks for helping us show them that someone cares.

FOOD BANK SHORTAGES THIS WEEK -

FOOD SHORTAGES **FRUIT JUICE (1L cartons), SMALL JARS COFFEE, JAM/MARMALADE, COOKING SAUCES (jars), 1L CARTONS UHT MILK, TINNED MEAT, TINNED FRUIT, TINNED POTATOES, RICE PUDDING/CUSTARD, SQUASH.**
NON-FOOD SHORTAGES **SHAVING FOAM, CAN OPENERS, SINGLE TOOTHBRUSHES, SHOWER GEL, DEODORANT, SHAMPOO / CONDITIONER, FLANNELS / SPONGES.**

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO WORK SO HARD ON BEHALF OF OUR PARISH - Thank you to the Church and Parish Centre cleaners, flower arrangers, sides men, counters, sacristans and bankers; those who look after the altar linen, the Ministers of Holy Communion and Readers; the altar servers, and those who support them; choir and music groups; the giving to the FOODBANK; all involved in our sacramental programmes and provision for children and young people; as well as all involved in our parish groups, the administration of the parish, specially Sarah, our Parish Secretary and Chairperson of the Governing Body of our School - those who organise our parish activities; those who oversee work on parish property and the Finance Committee; those who serve coffee, look after the Plety stall. All of this work – and forgive me, what I have missed out – sorry - represents many thousands of voluntary hours throughout the year, and reflects the ongoing commitment, generosity and sense of community of the people of the parish. Thanks to Deacon Tom for his continued work in Russells Hall Hospital – to Suzanne Horan, our CSEL, James Hodgson and Andy Carry – Principals of our Schools. Grateful and sincere thanks to you all.
I am – and the Parish – are indebted to you all for your goodness, compassion and care.

FR DES.

TEACH US TO PRAY - AND WORK FOR GOD'S GLORY !

ANNUAL APPEALS

- 1. AN ANNUAL APPEAL FOR CHURCH CLEANING -
- 2. AN ANNUAL APPEAL FOR COUNTERS -
- 3. AN ANNUAL APPEAL FOR READERS -
- 4. AN ANNUAL APPEAL FOR EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS -
- 5. AN ANNUAL APPEAL FOR ALTAR SERVERS -

- 6. AN ANNUAL APPEAL FOR HELPERS FOR THE CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD GROUP -
- 7. AN ANNUAL APPEAL FOR "GARDENERS" -
- 8. AN ANNUAL APPEAL FOR THE CHOIR AT 10-30AM
- 9. AN ANNUAL APPEAL FOR THE FOLK CHOIR AT 10-30AM
- 10. AN ANNUAL APPEAL TO PRAY THE ROSARY EVERY DAY

COMMITMENT

- every six weeks
- every six/eight weeks
- every eight weeks
- every eight week
- every weekend

- every six/eight weeks on call!!
- every second week
- every second week
- every day

If you are interested and willing to help - your name and telephone number please A.S.A.P. and make reference to the above. Many Thanks. Please return to FR DES.

Email - des56@hotmail.com

NAME -----

PHONE/MOBILE NUMBER -----

EMAIL -----

REFERENCE [NUMBER/[\$]] -----

NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS/PROMISES

- 1. Spend at least ten minutes a day in personal prayer asking the Holy Spirit to teach us the ways of God.
- 2. Examine our lifestyle daily, and repent for the things which keep us from being faithful to God.
- 3. Spend ten minutes a day or more reading Scripture. Ask the Holy Spirit to open our minds to the new way of life.
- 4. Prepare a plan for personal growth which includes spiritual reading and active participation in the life of the Church.

NEW YEAR PRAYER

May the Light of Christ be bright and warm in our lives.
May it shine through our selfishness and fill us with forgiveness.
May we all be filled with the love of God the Father, the Friendship of Jesus, his Son, and the strength of the Holy Spirit. AMEN.

COMMUNION REFLECTION

The promised one of Israel's story, the bridegroom clad in fire and light, the morning sun in all its glory dispelling darkness and the night, has come to dwell with us forever, uniting us in peace and love, and in his body we need never be parted from our God above. (Huub Oosterhuis)

THE LORD WILL BLESS HIS PEOPLE WITH PEACE

"A HAPPY, BLESSED AND HOLY CHRISTMAS TIME SEASON TO YOU ALL"
A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU AND ALL YOUR FAMILIES

PRAYER OF DEDICATION OF OUR PARISH

God our Father, as a Parish this day we re-dedicate our whole lives to the service of your Church. With confidence, we present our heartfelt prayers to You. We ask you to bless this Parish Community, our homes, our families. Strengthen with your peace all our days. We commend ourselves to the protection of Mary, our Lady, the Mother of Jesus, Mother of the Church. Through her prayers may we be preserved from all evil influences, now and at the hour of our death. This prayer we ask in the Name of Jesus who lives and reigns with you, the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen

*'There are many who arrive at the faith
but few that are led
into the heavenly kingdom.'*

Pope Saint Gregory I

(c 540-604)

PLANTING FOR CHRIST

If you are planting for a year, plant grain;
If you are planting for ten years, plant trees;
If you are planting for a hundred years, plant men.
CHINESE PROVERB

Secular Franciscan Fraternity. The next meeting is on Wednesday 8TH January 2020 at 7-00PM. Prompt start in Newman Room, Parish Centre. Everyone is very welcome. We are a growing fraternity in our parish. Come along and join us in following Our Lord in the spirituality of St Francis. Contact Deacon Tom Tranter for further information - telephone - 07415 211098

The next Ignatian Prayer Meeting will take place on Wednesday, 15 January 2020 in the Assisi Room of the Parish Centre. The scripture we will be praying with is Isaiah 49 vt-6. The meeting will start promptly at 7-00PM and we aim to be finished by 8-15PM. The aim of the meeting is to help us to find God in our everyday lives through biblical meditations using the styles of prayer recommended by St Ignatius of Loyola - in particular, imaginative contemplation and meditative reading (Lectio Divina). All are welcome. If you would like further information please contact Sue McDermott 07450656757 (suemcderm@aol.com) or Alice Grennan 07845706362 (alice.grennan@googlemail.com).

*'The properties of God are these:
Life, love and light.
In life is wonderful familiarity,
in love is gentle courtesy,
and in light is endless nature.'*
Julian of Norwich

To the world you might be one person,
but to one person you might be the world.

Do not pray for easy lives -
pray to be stronger people.
Do not pray for tasks equal to your powers -
pray for power equal to your tasks.

PHILIP BROOKS

PAUSE FOR THOUGHT

For this new year, Lord, I pray: May your love dwell in our hearts. May your joy Shine in our minds. May your peace Abide in our lives, In our homes, In our families, In our workplace, Everywhere! That your kingdom may come A little closer to all And our world will be a better place. Amen