

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.

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Our Lady and All Saints Catholic Church

13 New Road

STOURBRIDGE

**West Midlands
DY8 1PQ**

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**

INSIDE STORY

HURTING within while smiling with
Needing and aching to grow.
Humbly praying for help to begin
To practise the truth that I know.

From a poem by KAY SANTILLO

TODAY WE CELEBRATE THE THIRD SUNDAY OF THE SEASON OF LENT 14/15TH MARCH 2020 YEAR A
"A Judaeo - Christian Community in the Roman Catholic Tradition"

DATE	MARCH	TIME	MASS INTENTION	FEAST
Saturday	14TH	5-00PM	Eileen Ludden RIP	THIRD SUNDAY OF THE SEASON OF LENT
Sunday	MARCH 15TH	8-30AM	Keith Marsh RIP	
[MUSIC GROUP]		10-30AM 6-00PM	Barbara Tompkins RIP STATIONS OF THE CROSS AND BENEDICTION	
Monday	16TH	8-45AM 9-00AM	MORNING PRAYER Patricia Okeke RIP	
Tuesday	17TH	9-30AM 12-30PM	PEOPLE OF THE PARISH Eileen Ludden RIP	HAGLEY SCHOOL ST PATRICK
Wednesday	18TH	9-00AM	Domingo Parames Parames RIP	
Thursday	19TH	9-00AM	Intentions Margaret Birks	ST JOSEPH
Friday	20TH	7-00PM 7-30PM	STATIONS OF THE CROSS Fr Jerry Sheehy SCJ RIP	
Saturday	21ST	9-30AM 10-00AM 10-30AM 4-30PM 5-00PM	ADORATION Fr Terry Smith RIP CONFESSIONS CONFESSIONS Phil McCoey RIP	FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE SEASON OF LENT
Sunday	MARCH 22ND	8-30AM	PEOPLE OF THE PARISH	
[CHOIR GROUP]		10-30AM	Catherine Devenney RIP / HAGLEY SCHOOL TEACHER AND PUPILS RIP	
MOTHER'S DAY		6-00PM	STATIONS OF THE CROSS AND BENEDICTION	
[MONDAY	23RD	12-45PM	ESTHER SHARP RIP	FUNERAL MASS Reception SUNDAY 5-00PM]
[THURSDAY	26TH	11-00AM	KAY KARPIC RIP	FUNERAL MASS Reception WEDNESDAY 4-00PM]

SERVED by and Contact Details:

OUR PRIEST DEAN OF DUDLEY DEANERY
CHAPLAIN HAGLEY CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL
E-mail des56@hotmail.com
Fr Desmond Devenney 01384 395308 [24HOURS]

RUSSELLS HALL HOSPITAL RC CHAPLAIN
Rev Mr. Thomas Tranter 01384 395308

**OUR PARISH SECRETARY/OUR PARISH GIFT AID ORGANISER/
PARISH CENTRE – INFORMATION AND BOOKINGS**

Mrs. Sarah Price 01384 395308
PARISH OFFICE HOURS [SCHOOL TERM TIME ONLY]
E-mail olasoffice@talktalk.net

MONDAY/TUESDAY/THURSDAY/FRIDAY 11-00AM – 1-30PM
WEDNESDAY – CLOSED

[If keys or documents are to be collected, please arrange when the Parish Office is open - or do call to make an appointment].

ST NICHOLAS OWEN MULTI ACADEMY COMPANY/CSEL
Mrs. Suzanne Horan M Ed BA
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Mrs. Jill Harris/Mrs. Kathryn Sargent 01384 395308

OUR LADY AND ALL SAINTS TODDLERS GROUP
Tuesday Morning 10-00AM – 12-00NOON

Have a WONDERFUL Week - Filled with Faith + Joy, Love + Peace

Do Take Great Care Fr Des 14/03/2020 23-45PM

THANKYOU/VIELEN DANK /GRACIAS/ GRAZIE/ MERCI/ OBRIGADO

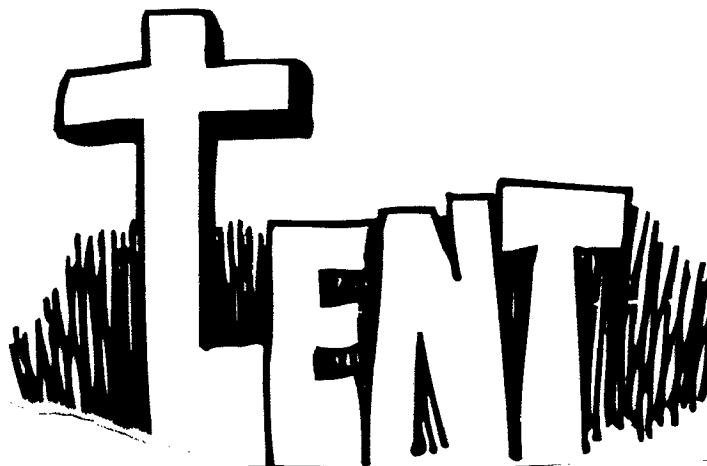
May the love of the Lord bring hope to those in despair, bring light to those in darkness, bring peace to those who are troubled.

My past, O Lord, to your Mercy - My present, O Lord, to your Love – My future Lord, to your

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

OLAS PARISH COLLECTIONS JANUARY – JUNE 2020
GIFT AID £366-20 NON GIFT AID £677-68
CAFOD LENTEN FAMILY FASY DAY £2,389-39.
Thank you so much for your generosity.

28/29TH MARCH PARISH SVP
10TH APRIL [GOOD FRIDAY] HOLY PLACES
02ND/03RD MAY CLERGY TRAINING FUND
23RD/24TH MAY CATHOLIC COMMUNICATIONS
20TH/21ST JUNE DAY FOR LIFE



WEEKEND 14TH / 15TH MARCH 2020
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

5-00PM Dee Bradley, Charlotte Colesby,
Christine Marsh, Jacinta Gibbons
8-30AM Suzanne Horan, Glynn Lewis
10-30AM Ian Oakes, Sam Hull,
Peter Parry, Kathryn Keay

5-00PM	READERS	BELL RINGERS
8-30AM	John Trinham	Robert
10-30AM	Tony Meehan	Chater-Kilshaw Family
COFFEE ROTA	Michele Riley	Barbara Alcock
ALTAR LINEN	Anne / Maurice Sargent	
	Claire Latham	

WEEK COMMENCING 16TH MARCH 2020
GIFT AID COUNTERS Joan McIlwee / Harry Cox
NON GIFT AID COUNTERS Simon Tudor / John Polychronakis
CHURCH CLEANING TEAM 3
 Paul and Paulette Doran, Jacque Biel and Pat Haglington

WEEKEND 21ST / 22ND MARCH
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

5-00PM Maureen Bickerton, Mandy Clift,
Elizabeth Fryer, Kesna Morris
8-30AM Joe Woodall, Phil Farley/Matthew Perkins,
10-30AM Alice Grennan, Judith Piper,
Stuart Tibbetts, Peter Parry

5-00PM	READERS	BELL RINGERS
8-30AM	Charlotte/Jonathan Abbotts	Jim Spencer
10-30AM	Rose Whyman	Harrison Family
COFFEE ROTA	Elena Dutton	Tony Jones
ALTAR LINEN	Alice Grennan / Shelagh Fletcher	
	Helen Powley	

WEEK COMMENCING 22ND MARCH 2020
GIFT AID COUNTERS Jane Trinham / John Lewis
NON GIFT AID COUNTERS Kathryn Keay / Rachel O'Brien
CHURCH CLEANING TEAM 4
 Josephine Etsibah, Brenda and David Cook,
 Mercy Wood, Elizabeth Fryer

FOOD SHORTAGES **TINNED FRUIT, SMALL JARS COFFEE, TINNED POTATOES / INSTANT MASH, 1L CARTONS UHT MILK, FRUIT JUICE (1L cartons), JAM / MARMALADE, VEG READY MEALS, COOKING SAUCES (Jars), TINNED MEAT & FISH, RICE PUDDING / CUSTARD.**
NON-FOOD SHORTAGES **TOILET ROLLS, SHOWER GEL / SOAP, DEODORANT, CAN OPENERS, TOOTHPASTE, SINGLE TOOTHBRUSHES, WASHING-UP LIQUID, SHAMPOO, FLANNELS / SPONGES**

The Ignatian Prayer MEETING The next meeting will take place on Wednesday 01ST April in the ASSISI ROOM of the Parish Hall. The scripture we will be praying with is the Gospel for Palm Sunday: Matthew 21 v1:11 (Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord!). The meeting will start promptly at 7-00PM. and will finish 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 speak to Sue McDermott 07450 656757 or suemcderm@aol.com or Alice Grennan 07845 706362 or alice.grennan@googlemail.com

Come All Who Thirst "A God Who Speaks" retreat is being organised @ St Osburg's Coventry on 29/30/31ST May 2020. Are you available and interested in attending/knowing more? We need your response now. We are also looking for individuals who would like to form part of a prayer team/intercede for the event. Retreats are costly yet we want to be able to offer this free of charge so all can come together and enjoy this experience. Please contact Justine on 07551096269.



ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM – SATURDAY 9 MAY 2020 –
 Led by Bishop David McGough.

GOLDEN JUBILIARIANS' MASS OF THANKSGIVING - 21ST APRIL 2020

Bishop David McGough and his fellow Golden Jubilarians, Mgr John Moran and Fr Brendan Carrick, will celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving in St Chad's Cathedral on Tuesday 21 April at 12 Noon. There is an open invitation to clergy and parishioners for this Mass.

We remember all those who have died recently – KEN GUEST, SHEILA MCCONNON, ESTHER SHARP, JOE STEVENS, ANNA DUDLEY, KAY KARPIC, CANON PETER TAYLOR, and FR BOB WRIGHT, RIP 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 – Saturday Evening 5-00PM
Sunday 8-30AM 10-30AM

[Music Group/School/Fr Des/Choir]

WEEKDAY MASSES –

Please see the Mass Times on the Parish Newsletter / Website

BAPTISMS SUNDAY 12-30PM

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION –

CONFESSION/RECONCILIATION -

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

[1] After Masses [2] On Request

[3] Penitential Services [Advent/Lent/Summer]

[4] Saturday 10-30AM / 4-30PM

MARRIAGES/WEDDINGS – Saturdays 12-00NOON/1-00PM

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 Tranter[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 – OUR FATHER

WEBSITES -

<https://dudley-catholicdeanery.org.uk> [DEANERY WEBSITE]

www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk

[ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM]

www.olas.org.uk [OUR LADY AND ALL SAINTS]

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

[ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL]

www.hagleyrc.com [HAGLEY CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL]

www.stnicholasowen-mac.org.uk

[ST NICHOLAS OWEN MULTI ACADEMY COMPANY - SNOMAC]

PRAYER SUPPORT ONLINE –

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

<https://www.sacredspace.ie>

<https://jesuitprayer.org>

<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 KEMPIS**

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE BIRMINGHAM – February 26 – April 05
8-00AM – 8-00PM Daily - Vigil Location:
Outside The Robert Clinic, 162 Station Road, Birmingham.
See the leaflets in the porch of the Church.**

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 to serve our Lord and one another.

Do please consider volunteering by participating wherever you feel you can help and serve.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION OF OUR PARISH DURING THE SEASON OF LENT

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.

The Season of Lent

Speak to someone about the Faith – Pray Fast Give to the Poor – Read the Scriptures every day – Help a neighbour -

Don't wait to be asked – Wear a symbol of Christianity – Support the Parish Activities-

Go to Mass, Holy Hour, Stations of the Cross –

Pray the Rosary – Pray together as a Family - [6-00PM!!!] = Receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation

PRAYER FOR THOSE SUFFERING WITH DEMENTIA

Loving Father, you are close to the broken-hearted.

Look with compassion on those whose lost memories have robbed them of home and belonging.

Comfort and strengthen those who care for them.

May they make their home in you.

This prayer we ask through Christ Our Lord

The shamrock is more than a national anthem - it is God's family crest. The tiny leaf speaks of the eternal life of God - Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bonded in a love which is vibrant, majestic, magnetic, and pulsing with life.

The second crest is the Sign of the Cross. It too speaks of love. When we are making the sign of the Cross we are pledging ourselves to God and we are praying that God will delve into our lives. It is the first prayer parents teach their child - it may be the last sign we make before our death.

The Holy Trinity is a mystery - it is impossible to explain God, but we could make the prayer of the old fisherman our prayer each day – "PROTECT ME O LORD, MY BOAT IS SMALL - AND YOUR SEA IS SO BIG".

[To have a humble and gentle admittance of our dependence on Almighty God]

THIS WEEK

1. Slowly make the Sign of the Cross each morning and each evening.
2. Say the "Glory Be" in Praise of God.
3. Reflect on the Creed as an act of Faith in God - the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

The Coronavirus (COVID-19) is now part of our public life--our world, our country, together we must call on faith and reason to meet this challenge.

CORONAVIRUS GUIDELINES

All citizens and the institutions that shape our common life are called to respond in solidarity to protect and care for each and all. In particular we must care for the most vulnerable among us because of age, health or socio-economic condition. Public authorities and the scientific/medical communities will guide us with facts and advice and we are called to respond to policies and programs they recommend.

The meaning of faith is that we are not alone in times of challenge. Faith is the foundation of hope, and hope is the capacity to address the complex challenges of life without being overcome by them. They are gifts which yield courage. We nourish faith and hope, and therefore courage, through prayer in our houses of worship, in our communities and in our homes.

We understand faith and hope as a complement to science and medicine. Our country is blessed with tremendous resources in the scientific and health care communities. Particular gratitude is owed to health care professionals at every level of care, especially those caring for the elderly.

In providing directives, which include the following, I acknowledge the need of individuals to make the necessary best judgements for their own well-being and that of their families:

May God bless our efforts; may Christ be our model of care for others and may Mary intercede for all the sick and suffering.

Cardinal Seán

Cardinal Seán O'Malley, Archbishop of Boston USA

With the coronavirus affecting all nations, it has been a troubling time for many these past weeks. I can't think of anything quite like it in my lifetime. However, previous generations have faced tests like this and worse. They have done so with courage, determination and faith, as must we. So please do pray for all but especially those on the front line working in health care settings, those who are most vulnerable and anyone who has been infected. I hope that in this time we as Christians can also be examples of kindness and charity to others.

We must also continue to plan for the future and to get on with our lives. We have children, parents, jobs, friends and homes to look after. These are all precious to us. Let's celebrate and enjoy them and not let anxiety spoil that. We know that things may change from week to week but it is important to look to our faith.

We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair; ⁹persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed. ¹⁰We always carry around in our body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be revealed in our

body." (2 Cor. 4:8-10) Canon Tom Farrell - PARISH PRIEST COVENTRY

A PRAYER FOR ALL - BUT ESPECIALLY FOR OUR YOUNG BOYS AND GIRLS WHO ARE TO RECEIVE THE SACRAMENTS DURING THE YEAR.

God our Father, thank you for our friend Jesus. He tells us -

"Love one another as I have loved you."

In Baptism we receive His life.

In Confession we receive His forgiveness.

In Holy Communion we receive His love.

Help us to do our best always, to love like Jesus, to live in the New Way.

We ask this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Words of Wisdom

Saint John

If anyone acknowledges that Jesus is the Son of God, God lives in that person and that person in God.

Saint Maximus the Confessor, 7th century

Whoever entertains any trace of hatred for anyone, regardless of what the offence may have been, is a complete stranger to the love of God. Love of God and hatred of anyone are absolutely incompatible with one another.

Saint Augustine of Hippo, 5th century

We are an Easter people and "Alleluia" is our song.

If you believe what you like in the Gospel, and reject what you like, it is not the Gospel you believe, but yourself.

SPEAK LORD
Your servant is listening