

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
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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.



Archbishop Bernard has appointed me as Parish Priest of ST JOHN FISHER PARISH, Tiverton Road, Wyken, COVENTRY, CV2 3DL.

Fr Philip Griffin has been appointed Parish Priest of OUR LADY AND ALL SAINTS.

TODAY WE CELEBRATE THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR - YEAR A 25TH/26TH JULY 2020
"A Judaeo - Christian Community in the Roman Catholic Tradition"

DATE	JULY	TIME	MASS INTENTION	FEAST
Saturday	25TH	5-00PM	Intentions Baby Zander Dessimone [10 DAYS] Thanksgiving Yorlene and Zachary Dessimone [OVERJOYED PARENTS] Andreina Chiappa RIP	
Sunday	26TH	08-30AM 10-30AM	PEOPLE OF THE PARISH Intentions Bernado Family [Robert, Jasmin, Romina, Rohjan]	
Monday	27TH	9-00AM	Intentions Gabriella Wood /Special Intention	
Tuesday	28TH	9-00AM	Thanksgiving [KMCI]	
Wednesday	29TH	9-00AM 11-00AM	Frances Sandy RIP JOAN ALLSOP RIP	ST MARTHA FUNERAL MASS [FAMILY ONLY PLEASE]
Thursday	30TH	9-00AM	Calisto Guiducci RIP	
Friday	31ST	9-00AM 2-00PM	Intentions McDonagh Family WEDDING - THOMAS McDONAGH + MELISSA WHITE	ST IGNATIUS
Saturday	01ST	5-00PM	Intentions Parish SVP Group / Vocations	
Sunday	02ND	8-30AM 10-30AM	PEOPLE OF THE PARISH Claire Bretecher RIP	

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 PARISH CENTRE - INFORMATION AND BOOKINGS**

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MONDAY/TUESDAY/THURSDAY/FRIDAY
11-00AM - 1-30PM WEDNESDAY - CLOSED
Sarah Price, our Parish Secretary, will be available
between the hours of 11-00AM - 1-30PM Monday,
Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.
Any communication must be made BY email
olas.stourbridge@rcaob.org.uk



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

Do Take Great Care Fr Des 25/07/2020 23-45PM

Even the lion must put up with flies!

Walk on level ground. The falls don't hurt so much.

The kindest word is the unkind word unsaid.

**THANK YOU/VIELEN DANK /GRACIAS/ GRAZIE/
MERCI/ OBRIGADO
THE PARISH IS PART OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF
BIRMINGHAM – REGISTERED CHARITY NO 234216**

*We pray that God will bless our Parish and all our homes and families for the many good unseen things that go on - which are always seen by God.
THANK YOU SO MUCH*

*We remember all those who have died recently –
JOAN ALLSOP, CALISTO GUIDUCCI, RIP.
And all those who have died because of violence, terrorism, tragedy and the Corona Virus – and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.*

PRAYER SUPPORT ONLINE

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

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.

FUNERALS IN CHURCH - This week we celebrate our first Funeral in Church since the lockdown was enforced. Due to ongoing restrictions the number of people allowed to attend a funeral is 30. Anyone attending will be invited by family.

We know many parishioners may wish to come and attend the Funeral Mass. However we would ask that you do not attend as it may not be possible for you to enter into Church.

Sincere apologies for this but we have to abide by the regulations set by the government and the Diocese.

PARISH OFFERINGS –

Thank you to all our parishioners who have been able to maintain their regular offerings.

The best way to help our Parish is by setting up a Standing Order. It is easier for you. It also costs the parish less as the bank has put into place increased cost of coin handling.

It is also possible to set up a regular or a single donation to the parish via the diocesan website. Visit www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk, click on Donate (top right) and follow the instructions. When asked which church you are donating to - please select 'Stourbridge'.

It is also possible to bring offerings to the daily Mass (not just on Sundays) or to post them through the presbytery letter box.

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.

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*

FOODBANK SHORTAGES THIS WEEK - Tinned Meat e.g Corned Beef, Fray Bentos Pies, Tinned Potatoes, Bags of Rice (1Kg), Microwave Rice Packets, Tinned Rice Pudding/Custard, Pasta in sauce packets, Deodorant, Single Toothbrushes, Shampoo/Conditioner, Soap/Handwash, Shower Gel, Sponges/Flannels, Small bottles of washing up liquid.

Thank you so much for your continued support of the foodbank during this very difficult times:

THE ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM IS LOOKING TO APPOINT A SAFEGUARDING ADVISOR

Full-time (35 hours per week)/Permanent £30,750 to £35,875 p.a. Central Birmingham

The Birmingham Diocesan Trust (BDT) is looking to appoint an experienced and qualified social worker or an alternatively qualified professional with significant multiagency safeguarding experience to its Safeguarding Team. As a Safeguarding Advisor you will, along with the Head of Safeguarding and other colleagues, be responsible for providing effective safeguarding advice and training across the Archdiocese of Birmingham.

You will be expected to promote excellent safeguarding practice, in line with local and national best practice, provide advice to Clergy and volunteer Parish Safeguarding Representatives on children and adults safeguarding practice and respond to safeguarding referrals.

You will need to be able to liaise effectively with a variety of statutory agencies and represent the Archdiocese at safeguarding meetings as well as supporting victims and survivors of past abuse.

This is a demanding and challenging role; therefore, we are looking for someone with:

- Experience of working within a safeguarding setting.
- A strong advocate for children at risk of harm and vulnerable adults and a determination to promote as paramount the safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults.
- Significant post qualification experience of adult or child safeguarding.
- Knowledge of both child and adult safeguarding legislation and guidance.

A HIGH SCHOOL class in music appreciation was asked the difference between listening and hearing. At first there was no response. Finally, a hand went up and a youngster offered this wise definition: "Listening is wanting to hear."

For an informal discussion about this role please call Alan Hassall, Head of Safeguarding on 0121 230 6275. Please email gerry.dryden@rc-birmingham.org for a copy of the job description and details on how to apply for this role. Interviews for this role are likely to take place late August or early September. Closing date for receipt of applications: (noon) Monday 10TH August 2020.

*We need to feel more to understand others.
We need to love more to be loved back.
We need to cry more to cleanse ourselves.
We need to laugh more to enjoy ourselves.
We need to see more other than our own little fantasies.
We need to hear more and listen to the needs of others.
We need to give more and to take less.
We need to share more and own less.
We need to look more and realise that we are not so different from another.
We need to create a world where everyone can peacefully live the life they choose.*

Susan Polls Schutz

A BLESSING

May God the Father who created each one of us in his own image and likeness and calls us by name bless us and keep us safe each day.

May Jesus the Risen Lord who redeemed us all from sin by dying on the Cross and opened for us the path to the eternal life embrace us and hold us in his loving arms.

May the Holy Spirit the Paraclete who gives us his seven fold gifts and the power to live daily the nine fruits of the Holy Spirit anoint us and strengthen us to live the Way, the Truth and the Life. Amen.

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.

WE ARE THE SURVIVORS [THIS IS AN ARTICLE FOR THOSE BORN BEFORE 1945]

We were born before television, before penicillin. Polio, vaccine, frozen foods, photocopiers, contact lenses, videos, Frisbees and the pill. We lived before radar, credit cards, split atoms, laser beams, and ballpoint pens; before dishwashers, tumble dryers, electric blankets, air conditioners, drip-dry clothes and before man walked on the moon.

We got married first and then lived together - how quaint can you be. We thought 'fast-food' was what you ate in Lent. A 'Big Mac' was an

oversized raincoat and crumpet was what we had for tea. We existed before house husbands, computer dating, dual careers; when meaningful relationships meant getting along with your cousins and sheltered accommodation was where you waited for a bus.

We were born before day care centres, group homes and disposable nappies. We had never heard of FM radio, tape decks, electric typewriters, artificial hearts, word processors, yoghurt and men wearing earrings. For us 'time sharing' meant togetherness, a chip was a piece of wood or a fried potato. Hardware meant nuts and bolts and software was not even a word.

Before 1945 'made in Japan' meant junk. The term 'making out' referred to how you did in your exams. A stud was something that fastened a collar to a shirt and 'going all the way' meant staying on a double decker bus until it reached the depot. Pizzas, McDonalds and instant coffee were unheard of. In our day, cigarette smoking was fashionable, grass was mown, coke was kept in the coal house, and a joint was a piece of meat you had on Sundays and pot was something you cooked in. Rock music was a grandmother's lullaby, EI Dorado was an ice cream and a gay person was the life and soul of the party.

There were four grades of toilet paper - The Argus, the Western Mail, the Echo and the News of the World. A money box was the penny gas meter. People had the toilet outside the home and they ate their meals inside the home. Transportable lightweight baths could be used in any room of the house. A Porn shop was a Pawn shop; a handkerchief was a coat sleeve. Footwear was constructed of iron, leather and wood. A Disc Jockey was a national hunt jockey with a back injury. The recycling unit was the rag and bone man. An alarm was known as a knocker-up: The NHS was known as the doctor's bill of sixpence a week. Debt and illegitimacy were secrets.

McDonald only had a farm. Central heating; was an oven plate or a firebrick wrapped in a blanket. A duvet was your dad's overcoat on the bed. A kitchen unit was known as a slopstone. The top ten used to be the Ten Commandments. We who were born before 1945 must be a hardy bunch, when you think of the ways in which the world has changed and of the adjustments that we have had to make. No wonder we are so confused and there is a generation Gap!

We pray for the welfare and the well-being of people – ALWAYS in our thoughts and prayers –

Please remember in your prayers to the Lord this week the elderly, the ill, the house-bound, the sick of our Parish – all those in our hospitals – all in our nursing and residential homes – those dying in our hospices – and all those who have asked us to pray for them.

May all know the Lord's Comfort and Peace – May the Lord bless all those who care for them.

Jesus Loves the Little Children...



—Lord, open my eyes and my heart to be honest about my attitude towards those who are unkind or unfair to me. Fill my heart with Your love, Lord, and help me pray for them.

Love your neighbour as yourself.

Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

**May the Lord's Touch Strengthen Us
May the Lord's Words Encourage Us
May the Lord's Ways Inspire Us**

Thank you for celebrating our Mass with us!

A Prayer for the End of the School Year

**O God of all beginnings and endings,
We praise and thank you for the gift of this school year.
It has been a time filled with grace and blessings,
With challenges and opportunities, joys and sorrows.**

**The days have passed quickly, O Lord.
The weeks, the months, the seasons, the holidays and Holy days,
The tests, breaks, plays and assemblies,
Have all come forth from your hand.**

**Give us the rest and refreshment we need this summer.
Let our efforts of this past year bear fruit.
Bring all of our plans to a joyful conclusion,
And bless us, according to your will,**

**With the fulfillment of our summer hopes and dreams.
Watch over us in the weeks of rest ahead,
And guide each day as you have done this past year.
Help us return to school with a new spirit and a new energy.**

**May we continue to grow
In age, wisdom, knowledge and grace
All the days of our lives. Amen.**

A Thought for the Week

When Jesus looks at anyone He not only sees who they are, but what they can become. In Simon, the impetuous fisherman, He saw Peter, the rock of His Church. In Levi, the tax collector, He saw Matthew the author of one of the four Gospels. In John, the son of thunder, He saw the beloved disciple. That is how Jesus knows you and me, and this is precisely why He has faith in us. He sees possibilities in everyone of us that no one else has ever seen.

This faith that Jesus has in His followers is rooted in unconditional love. This seems hard to believe. Jesus staked His belief in His followers the night before He died, knowing full well of their infidelity. One would betray Him, others would forsake Him, and one would deny Him. He knew all this long before it ever happened. Do you think He stopped loving them because of this? Certainly not. He loved them before it happened. He loved them during their disloyalty. He loved them when it was over. His love was not dependant on their loyalty.

Is there anyone listening to me whose heart is hurting with guilt? Are you ashamed of something you have done or something you have not done? Do you think that Jesus has stopped loving you because of this? May I assure you that His love for you has never wavered or changed one bit. I don't know how that makes you feel. I know how it made Peter feel. When He had realised what he had done, and when he remembered what Jesus had told Him, it broke his heart and he wept bitterly. So be convinced that Christ has faith in you. Knowing the faith He has in us may inspire us to renew our faith in Him.

"Our deepest fear is not that we are inadequate. Our deepest fear is that we are powerful beyond measure. It is our light not our darkness that frightens us. We ask ourselves 'who am I to be brilliant, gorgeous, talented and fabulous?' Actually, who are you not to be? You are a child of God. Your playing small doesn't serve the world. There's nothing enlightened about shrinking so that other people won't feel insecure around you. We were born to make manifest the glory of God that is within us. It's not just in some of us; it's in everyone. And as we let our own light shine, we unconsciously give other people permission to do the same. As we are liberated from our own fear, our presence automatically liberates others."

Nelson Mandela