

PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ALL SAINTS, 13 NEW ROAD, STOURBRIDGE DY8 1PQ

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2nd Sunday after Christmas – 2nd/3rd January 2021 - Year B

| DATE | TIME | INTENTION | FEAST |
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| Sat 2nd | 5-00PM | Mura Ruddock | 2 nd Sunday after Christmas |
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| Sun 3rd | 8-30AM | Intentions of Una Walker | |
| | 10-30AM | People of the Parish | |
| Mon 4th | No Mass | | |
| Tues 5th | 12-30PM | Mary Hartland (Anniversary) | |
| Wed 6th | 10-00AM | People of the Parish | Epiphany of the Lord |
| | 7-00PM | Private Intentions (Cotton) | |
| Thurs 7th | 9-00AM | Verena/Imelda (nee Smith) and | |
| | | Robert Steele | |
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| Fri 8th | 9-00AM | Holy Souls | |
| | 7-00PM | Fr David Barry | |
| Sat 9th | 10-00AM | George and Mary Rose | |
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| | 5-00PM | People of the Parish | Baptism of the Lord |
| Sun 10th | 8-30AM | Mgr Louis McRaye | |
| | 10-30AM | Deirdre Callaghan | |

PRAYERS AND READINGS FOR TODAY ARE ON PAGE 112 OF THE MASS BOOK The Crib Offerings this year will be for Friends of the Holy Land.

RECENTLY DEPARTED

reaches out to us with his blessing.

Eileen Redmond, Catherine Pedersen, Jackie Bradley, and Olive Price Christina Beamer – Funeral Service on Wednesday, 6th January, at 12-30pm at Stourbridge Crematorium. Under Tier 4 restrictions all Funerals are restricted to 30 attendees – Attendance is by family invitation only.

N.B The obligation to attend Mass on Sunday is still suspended – similarly the obligation for Holy Days, so Catholics are not required to attend Mass on the feast of the Epiphany.

Visitors to Cologne Cathedral can see a large reliquary above the high altar, which is believed to contain the relics of the Wise Men who travelled from the East., prompted by the star, to discover the new born King. They represent the non Jewish or Gentile peoples who Christ has also come to save. He is not only the King of the Jews, but the King of all humanity. The Scriptures do not tell us how many they were – the number three is derived from their three gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh, symbolising his kingship (gold), his divinity(frankincense) and the purpose of his incarnation, his death (myrrh- for anointing the dead). The Christmas story reminds us that there are many ways in which people come to know Christ – sometimes a profound spiritual experience, like the angels appearing to the shepherds on the hills of Bethlehem, sometimes through reason, philosophy and long arduous journey searching for the truth. However we have found the Lord, and given Him a place of honour in our lives, let us pray that our worship, especially at Mass, may be a profound act of love, reverence and adoration to the One who loves us and

CONFESSIONS – Fr Philip is also available to hear confessions after any Mass. Please ask the stewards.

TIER 4 RESTRICTIONS – although we are now in Tier 4 restrictions Public Masses can still be celebrated. However as in Tier 3 there is to be no mixing of households except of those in support bubbles.

The booking system was only in place for our Christmas Masses, Mass attendance will now return to a first come first serve basis. Please remember social distancing must also be observed whilst waiting outside Church.

THANK YOU to all who helped to make our Christmas Masses so special those who decorated the Church, organised the booking system, our volunteer stewards, our organists, and singers.

CONGRATULATIONS to Laura Riley & Jack Phillips who were married last weekend. Please keep them in your prayer.

ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM THE SOWER MAGAZINE AND PARISH 2021 DIARIES – Are available at in the Church porch. The Diocesan Directory 2021 will be on sale this weekend for £3.00

<u>CHURCHES TOGETHER ADVANCE NOTICE: RETREAT IN DAILY LIFE - January 2021</u> Please visit the "what's on page" on our website for further details.

FOODBANK SHORTAGES THIS WEEK. - We are open on Tuesday, 12:30pm -3:00pm and donations can be received at the back door of the building. Shortages this week - SMALL PACKETS TEABAGS, TINNED FISH, TINNED FRUIT, TINNED MEAT, e.g., Fray Bentos Pies, Corned Beef, LONG LIFE FRUIT JUICE (1L cartons), LONG LIFE MILK (1L cartons), TINNED POTATOES or INSTANT MASH. WASHING-UP LIQUID, DEODORANT. Thank you so much for your continued support of the foodbank especially in the time of uncertainty for many.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 400 CLUB NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2020 WINNERS

£75 – Asia Mela, Jim Spencer, Bill Mordy, Geoff Gibbons, Mr and Mrs Harris, Mary Beattie, Lou Gardiner, Mr and Mrs R O'Brien, Mrs E Fryer, Jo Trinham, Moira Perrins, Marion Wells.
£25 – Brenda Cook, Terry Brennan, Jean Bonser, Sheila Lloyd, Catherine Hounsell, Kath Powell, Mary Cox, Diana Bloore, Margaret Glynn, Mr P Harrington, Barbara Cox, Mrs Street.
£10 – Mr P Parry, Margaret Prescott, Helena Hudyba, Mr and Mrs Elcock. Sadie Murphy, Sheila Wrigley, A M Cartwright, Ron Orchard, J Gugliano, Giovanni Mini, Mary Clinton, Mrs S Murray, M C Edge, Lorraine Cooper. Margaret Brookes, P Bradley, Mrs A Rogers, Mrs Clarke, Mr and Mrs Forde, Marian Trafford, Mrs J Trinham, P Bradley, Barbara Cox, Anne Marie Philpotts, Mary Orchard, Patricia Sayer, Robert Price, Marion Wells, Claire Dewhirst, Kathryn Keay, Helena Pearson, Trish Hull, Mrs O Lissiemore, Mrs C Stamper, Rachel Millward, G Evers, Martin Watts, J Waterhouse, Mrs A Fletcher, Julia Hargroves, Anne Shakespeare, Mrs Addis.

PARISH DONATIONS – Any donations to the Parish will be allocated to fundraising for the refurbishment of our parish centre toilets. Thank you for your support.