

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

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Fourth Sunday of Advent – 18th/19th December 2021 Year C

DATE	TIME	INTENTION	FEAST
Sat 18th December	5-00PM	Anthony Harnick (Anniversary)	Fourth Sunday of Advent
Sun 19th	8-30AM	People of the Parish	
	11-00AM	Amy and Ted Baker	
Mon 20th	NO MASS		
Tues 21th	12-30PM	Erma Toni	
Wed 22nd	9-00AM	Jean Blakeway	
Thurs 23rd	9-00AM	Intentions of M & J Perkins	
Fri 24th	9-00AM	Holy Souls	
	4-00PM 6-00PM 8-00PM	Carlton Wrigley Annie and Martin Collins Minnie and Brian Barry	Christmas Eve
Sat 25th	8-30AM 11-00AM	Coyne and Gibbons family deceased People of the Parish	Christmas Day
Sun 26th	8-30AM	People of the Parish	Holy Family
	11-00AM	Francis, Arthur, Dennis and Kevin Barker	

PRAYERS AND READINGS FOR TODAY ARE ON PAGE 90 OF THE MASS BOOK

Collection at Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Masses is the offering to the Parish Priest. Envelopes are available in the porch.

The Crib offerings this year will be for Father Hudson's care.

RECENTLY DEPARTED – Margaret Birks

Terence Morrissey – Funeral Mass Tuesday 21st December at 3pm.

CONFESSIONS – Fr Philip is available for confessions after any Mass. Please speak to one of the stewards. **DIVINE MERCY** – After Mass on Thursday

REMINDER – Anyone who wishes to receive communion on the tongue please can you join the end of the Communion line.

GROWING IN FAITH – Wednesday mornings throughout January 10am – 11am in the Parish Centre. Please join us to find out more about our brothers and sisters in faith, other denominations and how we can support each other.

Wednesday 5th January – Reverend Michael Payne – Stourbridge Methodist Church

Wednesday 12th January – Greg Ellis – Chawn Hill Church.

Wednesday 19th January – Reverend John Flitcroft – St Mary's Church, Old Swinford

Wednesday 26th January – Dave Morris – Hope Baptist, Stourbridge

These sessions are being held in the month which includes the week of prayer for Christian Unity.

THANK YOU TO ALL OUR STEWARDS – We would very much like to thank all our stewards who have worked so hard to ensure that Church can be open for Mass. When we called for volunteers for this role in June 2020 no one could foresee that they would still be needed now and even more so over the coming few weeks.

THANK YOU TO OUR READERS, EUCHARISTIC MINISTER, MUSIC GROUP, CHOIR, COUNTERS AND ALTAR SERVERS – It has been lovely to see so many able to return to these duties within the Church. We hope it won't be too long before we can restart more roles. We thank you for your patience and understanding.

PARISH CENTRE UPDATE - All toilet facilities are now fully operational as this refurbishment programme has been completed, with final phase in the centre being scheduled for January. So, thank you to all Parishioners who have kindly made donations to this project. Also, to all who are members of our Parish 400 Club, who have raised the finance for this work. If you are interested in joining this fund-raising activity, please contact our Parish office.

COVID 19 GUIDANCE FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM

- Anyone displaying any symptoms of covid-19 should stay at home and not travel to church or participate in person
- A mask must be worn at all times in Church unless you have a medical exception.
- Hand sanitiser is available to those attending the Church.
- That there is good ventilation and air throughout in the building; in this case. please wear warm clothes.
- Encouraging people to get vaccinated and have the booster jab when able.
- Anyone engaged in a form of pastoral ministry which involves ministry to the housebound, sick and vulnerable, should take regular lateral flow tests to ensure they are safe to do so. These are free from the NHS.

All of the above are in place to protect ourselves and others in Church. All of our stewards have carried out a lot of hard work to ensure that our Church remains open during the ongoing pandemic, for Christmas and into the New Year

FOODBANK SHORTAGES THIS WEEK – Milk (Long Life) 1L Cartons, Squash/Cordial. Tinned Fruit (Preferably in Juice), Tinned Meat (Corned Beef, Ham, Hot Dogs, Spam), Instant Hot Chocolate (To be made with hot water), Packet Mashed Potato/Tinned Potato, Breakfast Cereal Small. Medium, Fray Bentos Pies. Tinned Rice Pudding, Tinned. Powdered Custard, Savory Rice, Fruit Juice (Long Life) 1L Cartons, Shampoo, Washing up Liquid, Conditioner, Bars of Soap, Single Toothbrushes. Thank you for your continued support.

ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM DIRECTORY – Due to the changes in the Deaneries across the Diocese the directory will not be published till February 2022. For your information the parishes of Stourbridge, Kingswinford, Brierley Hill. Old Hill, Dudley, Tipton, Sedgley and Lower Gornal will be joining the renamed Wolverhampton and Dudley Deanery from the 1st January.