## PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ALL SAINTS, 13 NEW ROAD, STOURBRIDGE DY8 1PQ Website www.olas.org.uk Webcam www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/our-lady-all-saints-Email olas.stourbridge@rcaob.org.uk Telephone 01384 395308 Archdiocese of Birmingham Registered Charity Number 234216 PARISH PRIEST Fr Philip Griffin PARISH DEACON Rev Mr Tom Tranter PARISH SECRETARY Mrs Sarah Price HEALTH AND SAFETY Mr Steve McNally

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## Baptism of the Lord - 8th/9th January 2022 - Year C

DATE	TIME	INTENTION	FEAST
Sat 8th January 2022	5-00PM	Laurie Murphy	Baptism of the Lord
Sun 9th	8-30AM	Intentions of James Conley	
	11-00AM	People of the Parish	
Mon 10th	NO MASS		
Tues 11th	12-30PM	Barbara Gunn (birthday)	
Wed 12th	9-00AM	Mary Wrigley	
Thurs 13th	9-00AM	Margaret Littlewood (2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniversary)	
Fri 14th	9-00AM	Holy Souls	
	7-00PM	Laurie Murphy	
Sat 15th	10-00AM	Laurence Clarke	
	5-00PM	Barry Nicholls	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the Year
Sun 16th	8-30AM	People of the Parish	
	11-00AM	Christian Borne and Borne family deceased.	

PRAYERS AND READINGS FOR TODAY ARE ON PAGE 118 OF THE MASS BOOK. Crib Offerings – this weekend is your last opportunity to make an offering – Christmas ends after this Sunday. Offerings are for Father Hudson's.

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

**REMINDER** – Please remember you must wear a mask at all times in Church unless you are exempt.

**ADULT INSTRUCTION** – Meet Tuesday, 11th January, 7pm in the Parish Centre.

**SILVER JUBILEE** – On Tuesday, 25<sup>th</sup> January I will be celebrating my silver jubilee of ordination to the priesthood with a Mass at 7pm followed by a reception in the parish centre. Parishioners are warmly invited to join me on what will be for me a very happy occasion, when I thank God for all his blessings, and all the support and encouragement I have received from so many over the years.

**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. The talk scheduled for Wednesday 12th January has been cancelled. Wednesday 19th January 2022– Reverend John Flitcroft – St Mary's Church, Old Swinford Wednesday 26th January 2022– Dave Morris – Hope Baptist Church, Stourbridge These sessions are being held in the month which includes the week of prayer for Christian Unity.

**SYNOD PATHWAY** – Meetings Thursdays in the Parish Centre 10am and 7pm. A sheet with questions for your reflection are available in the porch.

**PARISH STATISTICS** – We have recently sent the Archdiocese our parish statistics for 2021. We thought you might be interested in some of the information. We had 21 Baptisms, 59 First Holy Communion children, 26 Confirmations, 5 weddings and 30 funerals. The average number of parishioners attending weekend Mass (figures taken from 4 weekends in September/October) is now 276 - this figure was 142 in 2020.

**TODDLER GROUP** has restarted. Please contact Shelagh on 07742 988204 for more details and to book a place.

**SENIOR LUNCHEON CLUB** – The next afternoon tea will be held on Wednesday 19th January at 2pm. To book a place please contact Pam Perry on 07848 406986 by Monday 17th January.

**GOING INTO HOSPITAL** – It is important that you notify the parish if you or a member of your family are admitted into hospital; For admissions to Russell's Hall, please notify Deacon Tom - 07415 211098 For admissions to other hospitals, please notify Fr Philip - 01384 395308

**GIFT AID AND NON-GIFT AID DONATIONS** – Thank you to those who have agreed to change to standing order donations. For more information on how to do this please contact Sarah in the Parish office by emailing <u>olas.stourbridge@rcaob.org.uk</u> or call 01384 395308 (Tuesday and Friday). Paying by standing order reduces the bank charges for the parish.

## Four Years Later - 27<sup>th</sup>January 2022 at 7.00 – 9.00pm - Pilgrimage at Worcester Cathedral Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2022 Is Holocaust Memorial Day.

This year the theme of the week of Christian Unity (18-25 January) has been chosen by the Middle East Council of Churches and is taken from the second Chapter of Matthew's Gospel recounting the first Epiphany. An appropriate day for Bishop John and Archbishop Bernard to choose to lead another pilgrimage to Worcester Cathedral. Our Ecumenical pilgrimage journey started in November 2016 when 56 of us from parishes all over Worcestershire and further afield joined together in a joyful pilgrimage to the Holy Land. Then we celebrated our reunion in the first Candlelight Pilgrimage to Worcester Cathedral in January 2017. In October 2019 we went to Rome and now, following the pandemic, we return four years later to Worcester Cathedral. We are trying to organise a 2022 Canterbury Pilgimage. What tales will flow from that Please do try to join us. Please let Jim Quinn know if you would like to come and to assist in catering at j.quinn789@btinternet.com or by phone at 01299 851021 or by text to 07960 218925.

**FOODBANK SHORTAGES THIS WEEK** - MILK (LONG LIFE) 1L CARTONS, SQUASH/CORDIAL, PACKET MASHED POTATO/TINNED POTATO, TINNED FRUIT (PREFERABLY IN JUICE), TINNED MEAT (CORNED BEEF, HAM, HOT DOGS, SPAM), INSTANT HOT CHOCOLATE (TO BE MADE WITH HOT WATER), BREAKFAST CEREALS (SMALL OR MEDIUM). FRAY BENTOS PIES, TINNED RICE PUDDING, TINNED/POWDERED CUSTARD, SAVOURY RICE, FRUIT JUICE (LONG LIFE) 1L CARTONS, SHAMPOO, TOILET ROLLS, BARS OF SOAP We are open on Tuesday, 12:30pm -3:00pm and Friday 10-00am – 12-30pm donations can be received at the back door of the building. Thank you for your continued support.