



**PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ALL SAINTS,
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SAFEGUARDING - The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies and procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Mr. Paul Shannon and Mrs. Kathryn Sargent. They can be contacted at sg.olas.stourbridge@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 / safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk

PARISH YOUTH WORKER – Mr Liam Thomas yth.olas.stourbridge@rcaob.org.uk

ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL Principal Mr Anthony Wilkes 01384 431980

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Both schools are part of Emmaus Catholic MAC www.emmausmac.com

Second Sunday of Advent – 9th/10th December 2023 YEAR B

DATE	TIME	INTENTION	FEAST
Saturday 9th December	5-00PM	Arthur and Frances Barker (anniversary)	Second Sunday of Advent
Sunday 10th	8-30AM 11-00AM	Taft family deceased People of the Parish	
Monday 11th	9-00AM	Ints of Mary Nisbet	
Tuesday 12th	9-05AM 9-00AM	MASS AT HAGLEY SCHOOL Theodore Christopher Skelding	
Wednesday 13th	9-00AM	Raymond Blakeway	St Lucy
Thursday 14th	9-00AM	Blanche Podesta (Anniversary)	St John of the Cross
Friday 15th	9-00AM 7-00PM	Rita and Larry Flanagan Holy Souls	
Saturday 16th	10-00AM 5-00PM	Thomas Dunphy Anthony Harnick	Third Sunday of Advent
Sunday 17th	8-30AM 11-00AM	People of the Parish Barry Nicholls and Nicholls family	

PRAYERS AND READINGS FOR TODAY ARE ON PAGE 85 OF THE MASS BOOK

The second collection this weekend will be for Poor Parishes

The collection the weekend of the 16th/17th December will be for Church Christmas Flowers

The crib appeal this Christmas will be for the Friends of the Holy Land.

CONFESSIONS – Saturday 10-30am – 11am. Also, confession is available after any Mass.

GROWING IN FAITH BIBLE STUDY – Wednesdays 10am in the parish centre.

DIVINE MERCY – After Mass on Thursday **ROSARY** – 6.35pm on Friday.

ADORATION – After Saturday 10am Mass and Wednesday 8-30am m

LITTLE SAINTS CHILDREN'S LITURGY – At 5pm Saturday Mass.

CHURCH OPENING – Fridays 8-30am – 4pm on Fridays. Thank you everyone who signs up to welcome each week. Please can we ask for more volunteers to help please.

ADULT INSTRUCTION – Thursday 7pm in the presbytery.

For daily Mass readings please visit the link for Universalis and Alive Publishing on the home page of our website.

PIETY – Christmas cards, Calendars, Candles and gifts available this weekend. Also, Advent Calendars.

DECEMBER SCRIPTURE REFLECTIONS – is available online and in the porch.

READERS & MINISTERS FOR CHRISTMAS MASSES - Please sign the sheet in the porch, if you wish to read or minister at one of our Masses over Christmas.

ADVANCED NOTICE CHRISTMAS MASSES 2023

CHRISTMAS EVE 5-00PM Christmas Carols 7-30PM MASS 8-00PM

CHRISTMAS DAY 8-30AM 11-00AM

Please pick up one of our Christmas Mass leaflets detailing all Masses and Services.

FIRST RECONCILIATION SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME STARTS IN JANUARY 2024 – If you have a child in year 3 or above who does not attend St Joseph's, who wish to take part please email the parish office for an application form before the end of the year.

ADVENT WALK WITH ME BOOKLETS – are available in the porch for £1 each. Advent calendars are also available for those children not at St Joseph's.

PARISH CENSUS FORMS – Please complete the form available in the porch.

CHRISTMAS FAYRE – Thank you to everyone who supported the fayre with donations, help with setting up, running stalls, clearing away or just attending. It was lovely to hear the Children of St Joseph's singing carols and watching the Irish dancers. With your support we raised a fantastic £3438.12. We also received all the money for the cash prizes.

TODDLERS - Tuesday mornings term time only in the Parish Centre. Please contact Shelagh on 07742 988204

THE PARISH IGNATIAN PRAYER - Meet every 1st and 3rd Wednesday evening at 7pm on Zoom. Please contact either Sue on 07450 656757 – suemcderm@aol.com - or Alice on 07845 706362 – alice.grennan@googlemail.com.

ALL SAINTS YOUTH GROUP - Next meets on Tuesday 19th December 6-30pm –8-30pm in the parish centre.

LUNCHEON CLUB – The next lunch will be held on Wednesday 20th December in the Parish Centre. If you wish to attend, please contact Elaine on 07941 833026 by Monday 18th December.

YEAR OF PRAYER; Starting in Advent, Pope Francis has designated 2024 a 'Year of Prayer' in preparation for the Jubilee Year 2025. As our personal contribution we would like to offer a 'Prayer Surgery'. From our medical experience we know that many people need healing from physical, mental, emotional and spiritual wounds, and that prayer is very helpful. If anyone wishes to email the details of their prayer requests (anonymously if preferred) we will intercede on their behalf, in absolute confidentiality. Thank you. jimjackie793edmunds@btinternet.com

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

FOODBANK DONATIONS We are open on Tuesday, 12:30pm -3:00pm and Friday 10-00am – 12-30pm. Please drop your donations to the back door of the parish centre. Thank you for your continued support.

PARISH MAGAZINE 2023 – If you or your group would like an article included in the parish magazine due to be printed in early 2024, please email these to olas.stourbridge@rcaob.org.uk by the beginning of Advent.

LIFE CHARITY MASS – The first dedicated Mass to celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe – the Patron Saint of the Unborn Child – will be held at St Chad's Cathedral on Tuesday 12th December at 12-15pm.

Escorted Pilgrimage to Knock & Co Mayo, 14th April 2024. £899.00 pps. Price includes flight, 10kg hold luggage, 5 nights in 4* Castle court Hotel, Westport with Dinner, Bed & Breakfast. Lunch on three days. All entertainment, excursions and transport included. Visit Knock, Galway City, Kylemore Abbey, Croagh Patrick & Ashford Castle. Single supplement on Enquiry. Contact Patricia or Natali on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.

ALTAR SERVERS RETREAT "Called to Serve" - 8th– 10th March 2024 – The Kenelm youth trust are working in partnership with Fr Criag Schmitt and the vocations and formation team to invite altar servers to a weekend retreat at Alton Castle. The altar servers retreat is for those in year 5 –13. Please contact Deacon Owen at the vocations Department deacon.owen@vocations.org.uk