

16TH DECEMBER – THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT – YEAR C – PSALTER WEEK 3

Saturday	15	6.00 p.m.	Marcella Hoban RIP
Sunday	16	9.00 a.m.	Josephine McGovern
		11.00 a.m.	Pro Populo
Monday	17	10.00 a.m.	Patricia Clarke RIP
Tuesday	18	10.00 a.m.	Private Intention MP
Wednesday	19	10.00 a.m.	Nora Donnelly RIP
Thursday	20	-- --	No Mass
Friday	21	5.30 p.m.	Holy Hour with Individual Confession
		6.30 p.m.	Patricia McConomy
Saturday	22	10.00 a.m.	Holy Souls



23RD DECEMBER 2018 – FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT – YEAR C – PSALTER WEEK 4

Saturday	22	6.00 p.m.	Peter Sice
Sunday	23	9.00 a.m.	Doris and Eric Smith Anniversary
		11.00 a.m.	Pro Populo

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION – Saturday 10.30–11.00a.m. & 5.15–5.45p.m. & *by appointment*
EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT – Friday 6.00–6.30 p.m. & Saturday 10.30–11.00 a.m.
DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET – Sunday at 3.00 p.m.
PRAYER GROUP – Tuesday at 7.00 p.m. in church. *Everyone welcome!*

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND IN OUR PARISH...
Lord Jesus, who went about doing good and healing all, we ask you to bless those who are sick. Give them strength in body, courage in spirit and patience with pain. Let them recover their health, so that, restored to the Christian community, they may joyfully praise your name, for you live and reign for ever and ever. Amen.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DEAD...
Of your charity, please pray for the repose of the souls of those who have died recently. We pray also for those in whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace. Amen.

FINANCIAL MATTERS	Gift Aid	£ 237.00	Second Collection £ 180.39
	Non Gift Aid	£ 281.20	for the <i>Poor Parishes Fund</i>
	Total	£ 518.20	Thank you!

SECOND COLLECTION THIS SUNDAY: For Church Flowers

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR: Mrs Collette Keegan. Office Hours: Mon – Fri 10.30 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.
PARISH SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVES : Louisa Westley & Irene Byrne *contact via Parish Office*

MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

Please note the change of Mass times this week – there will be **No** Mass on Thursday.

SECOND COLLECTION

Today to pay for Church Flowers for Christmas and during the year. I am most thankful to the small team who do the flowers each week.

ARE YOU READY SPIRITUALLY FOR CHRISTMAS?

Confession is available every Saturday 10.30 – 11.00 a.m. and 5.15 – 5.45 p.m. There is also Holy Hour with Confession **THIS FRIDAY 21ST** 5.30 – 6.20 p.m. with Mass at 6.30 pm
Penitential services available, at 7.30 p.m.

Tues 18th December

St. Dunstan, Kings Heath & St. Mary, Harborne

Wed 19th December – St. Edward, Selly Oak

Thurs 20th December

Our Lady of Lourdes, Yardley Wood

Friday 21st December

Our Lady & St. Brigid, Northfield

Saturday 22nd December at 11.00 a.m.

Our Lady & St. Rose, Weoley Castle

CHRISTMAS OFFERINGS

Please note that the collection at each of the Christmas Masses is your traditional offering for your Parish Priest. Envelopes for this are available in the porch.

OVER 60'S AND SVP CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Over 60's and SVP had their annual Christmas Party on Monday. A lot of work goes into organising such an event, thank you to all of those who helped. It was a most enjoyable afternoon.

GUILD OF SAINT STEPHEN

Saint Stephen is the Patron Saint of altar servers. Those who have been serving Mass for more than 12 months will be enrolled in to the Guild of Saint Stephen at 10.00 a.m. Mass on St. Stephens day (Boxing Day).

NEWSPAPERS

After the last Sunday of this year, we will no longer be selling any of the Catholic newspapers. You can order from your Newsagents or contact parish office.

This parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham. Registered Charity Number 234216

PARISH CULTURAL EVENING

Saturday 19th January 7.00 p.m. – 10.00 p.m. with food and entertainment from around the world. So far, we have representation from Africa, India, Ireland and Jamaica but there is room for more! Tickets will be on sale soon!

PARISH QUIZ

Saturday 23rd February at 7.30 p.m.

PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA

Father Rogerson from Our Lady & St. Brigid's, Northfield will be leading a Pilgrimage to Fatima from 8th – 13th September 2019. £651 per person, half board based on 2 people sharing. For further details contact Fr Cecil 0121 476 8983 or Michael Neillis on 07944 707591

HAGLEY PYRAMID CONCERT

On Thursday 14th February at 7.00 p.m. Year 5 pupils from Our lady of Fatima School will be performing along with other Catholic schools at Birmingham Town Hall. Tickets costing £10 are available from the school. If you are struggling to find a Christmas present, a ticket to the concert would make a lovely gift.

★★★ **CHRISTMAS STARS** ★★★

You can purchase a star located in the basket next to the Shrine of Our Lady and write your message on the back - perhaps in memory of a loved one who has died, to pray for a particular intention or to wish someone a Happy Christmas! *Suggested minimum donation of £5.00.*



RELIGIOUS CHRISTMAS STAMPS

Please request Religious Christmas Stamps from the Post Office for your Christmas Cards. The Royal Mail have produced some beautiful images of Our Lady with the Child Jesus this year – a wonderful way of reminding people about the true meaning of Christmas.

DIOCESAN DIRECTORY 2019

Copies of the new directory have arrived and are available from the porch £5.00 per copy.