



# OUR LADY & ST BENEDICT RC CHURCH

## NEWSLETTER

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Matthew 2: 1-12

6<sup>th</sup> / 7<sup>th</sup> January 2018

“Where is he that is born king of the Jews? For we have seen his star in the east, and are come to adore him.”

Please pray for the sick of our Parish and also for those who care for them.

**Children’s Liturgy** – 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month

**Anniversaries this week**

*Margaret Edwards, Margaret Jones, John Connell,  
Paul Lavelle, Percival Bertram Moulder,  
James McKeever, Edwin Harrop, Rose Reilly,  
Gordon Hall, Edward John Hollywood,  
Bridget Gamble  
May they rest in peace*

**Prayer Group recommences 9<sup>th</sup> January after evening Mass**

Collections for weekend of 30<sup>th</sup> / 31<sup>st</sup> December  
Loose: £123.20 Envelopes: £218.50  
**Total: £341.70**

Thank you for your generosity

**Confession** – Saturday, 12 noon – 1 pm

**Second collection this week is for the Maintenance Fund**

**Rosary** – 9.45 am – before Sunday Mass

Lectionary Cycle: Ordinary Time – Year B Prayer of The Church – Week I			
Sat 6 <sup>th</sup> January	<b>Mass Vigil Mass for Sunday</b>	9.15 am 5.30 pm	St Benedict’s St Nicholas’
Sun 7 <sup>th</sup> January	<b>Mass Epiphany of the Lord</b>	10.00 am	St Benedict’s
Mon 8 <sup>th</sup> January	<b>Mass The Baptism of the Lord</b>	9.15 am	St Benedict’
Tues 9 <sup>th</sup> January	<b>Mass</b>	6.30 pm	St Benedict’s
Wed 10 <sup>th</sup> January	<b>No Mass</b>		
Thurs 11 <sup>th</sup> January	<b>Mass</b>	9.15 am	St Benedict’s
Fri 12 <sup>th</sup> January	<b>Mass St Aelred of ~Rievaulx, Religious</b>	9.15 am	St Benedict’s
Sat 13 <sup>th</sup> January	<b>Mass St Hilary, Bishop, Doctor of the Church Vigil Mass for Sunday</b>	9.15 am 5.30 pm	St Benedict’s St Nicholas’



over the years to help beautify our lovely church

The Flower Team is reduced by two this year so please will you give serious consideration to joining the group. You would be working with someone else so don’t worry if you have not done flower arranging before. It is fun and rewarding to serve the Lord and your parish.

Many thanks to **Sue Harriman** and **Pat O’Sullivan** who are ‘retiring,’ and to all the ladies on the team who have given their time so willingly over the years to help beautify our lovely church.

**Dates for your diary:**

**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January, 2018.** Committee Meeting, 7.00 pm for 7.15 pm start

**7<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> September, 2018.** Adoremus – National Eucharistic Pilgrimage and Congress, Liverpool.

Parish Co-ordinators					
Parish Chair Children's Liturgy	Rebecca Mander	01564 793774	Eucharistic Ministers	John Treacy (St Benedict's) John Burke (St Nicholas')	01564 792242  01564 793692
Finance & Gift Aid	Christine Moulder	01789 262269	CAFOD	Andrew Meigh	01564 637432
Liturgy & Music Women's World Day	Barbara Alcock	01564 793826	St Mary's School	Rachel Saltmarsh	01564 794470
Readers MC/Servers	John Alcock	01564 793826	Rosary	Cath Middleton	01527 435041
Parish Catechist	Mary Cooke	01564 794333	Ecumenical Contacts	Jan Wright	01564 793528
Safeguarding Officer	Collette Gay	01564	Piety Stall	Sue Kimberley	01564 898453
APF	Pat Fyfe	01564 795949	Church Warden	Catherin Dooling	01789 204487
Church Flowers Wedding & Funeral Co-ordinator Prayer Group	Sally Whitehead	01564 792887	Administration	Chris Killourhey	01564 637478

**Legacies:** the Diocese has made a new leaflet available in all 227 parishes to assist people who may want to consider leaving a legacy to the Church. At the back of the Church you will find copies of this new leaflet. Please do consider whether you, or someone you know, may wish to support the Church in this way. Thank you.

The Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham Registered Charity No. 234216

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**Warwick Deanery Website:** this can now be found at:

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## Thomas Edison

One day Thomas Edison came home and gave a paper to his mother. He told her, "My teacher gave this paper to me and told me to only give it to my mother."

His mother's eyes were tearful as she read the letter out loud to her child: *Your son is a genius. This school is too small for him and doesn't have enough good teachers for training him. Please teach him yourself.* From then on he was home taught by his mother.

After many, many years, after Edison's mother died and he was now one of the greatest inventors of the century, one day he was looking through old family things. Suddenly he saw a folded paper in the corner of a drawer in a desk. He took it and opened it up. On the paper was written: *Your son is addled [mentally ill]. We won't let him come to school any more.*

Edison cried for hours and then he wrote in his diary: "Thomas Alva Edison was an addled child that, by a hero mother, became the genius of the century."