

Blessed Robert Grissold Catholic Church, Balsall Common

In the Archdiocese of Birmingham Sunday Mass Time 9.30 am.

30th December 2018 – Feast of the Holy Family – Year C

“Jesus is found by his parents among the doctors”

Pope’s Prayer Intention: That every country determine to take necessary measures to make the future of the very young, especially those who suffer, a priority.

Father Frank. *The Feast today reminds us that God’s revelation and the outworking of his loving purposes takes place in the context of human families. In today’s readings we see how God begins a new work in the world through Abraham and Sarah, in the Old Testament and through Mary and Joseph, in the New Testament. Both couples faithfully trusted in God’s promises and saw them come to fulfilment - such is the faithfulness and mercy of God.*

Saints & Feast Days this Week: Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God (1st), St Basil the Great & St Gregory Nazianzen (2nd), St Charles of St Andrew (5th).

*Thanks once more for your cards, gifts, kindness and support. I am overwhelmed by your generosity. Also, I am grateful for all the work you put in to ensuring that there is a Eucharistic presence in this place. Together, by faithfully assembling week by week, we ensure that we witness to the love, light and hope of Christ and his in-breaking Kingdom. That is the distinctive and incomparable gift we are called to offer to the world through our assembly as the Church, but, in order for this to happen, many have to give of their time and energy in raising funds and being responsible for day to day administration and maintenance. May the Lord bless you for your hard work on behalf of Christ and his Kingdom. It is a privilege and a joy to share with you in this service. **Fr Frank.***

Fr Frank will be taking his post-Christmas break from Wednesday of this week, returning on Thursday 10th January 2019.

Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God. What better way to begin the New Year than to celebrate this great Marian feast and to commend ourselves and the world to the powerful intercession of Our Blessed Lady.

Collection: 23rd December: Loose plate £100.00, envelopes £43.00, standing orders £390.00, **Total £533.00.**

The next Get-together will be on Wednesday 9th January. Details nearer the time.

Your prayers are asked for those who are sick and their carers: Lily Mae Carr, Joseph Lockington, Katya O’Donnell, Consuelo Ramon, Anne Santos, Andrew Burton.

Anniversaries: Annama, Leo Fulbrook, Austin Griffiths, Sydney Hopkins, Margaret Martin, Athlene O’Connell, Bernard Ward, Frederick Woodhouse.

This Week's Liturgy and Rota Arrangements

Date & Time: Day: Celebrant: Intention:	Sunday, 30 th December – 9.30am Feast of the Holy Family of Nazareth Father Frank Tony Beck (RIP)	Sunday, 6 th January – 9.30am Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord Father Chris Greaney People of the Parish
Altar Servers:	Ethan & Joe	James
Wardens:	Ian & Fran Lester Alan Devoy	Christine Harris Dominic Green & Irene Gibbons
Readers:	Mary Sharp & David Bixby	David Cant & Godfrey Chesshire
Eucharistic Ministers:	Monica Green Joe Martin & Madeleine Peat	Godfrey Chesshire Tereasa Green & Charles Keane
Counting:	Chris Burleigh & Mary Sharp	Ian & Fran Lester
Tea & Coffee:	Chesshire Family	Bysshe & Judith Williams
Cleaning:	Kathryn Driffield & Helen Woods	M Hughes & J Kennedy
Flowers:	Kathy Jones	Jean Henser
Children's Liturgy:	Holiday	Holiday
Music	Ian & Ellie Clarke	Instrumental Group

This Week's Service

Date:	Tuesday, 1 st Jan			
Time:	11.00am Mass Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God			
Intention	People of the Parish			

Parish Room: MUST be booked with Louise Perry – Tel.: **01676 533357**.

Contributions for the Bulletin: Godfrey Chesshire is now compiling the newsletter. Please send items by 7.00pm on Wednesday to godfreycheshire@btinternet.com or call on **01676 532352**

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