



OUR LADY & ST BENEDICT RC CHURCH

NEWSLETTER

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“He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit
and fire.”
Luke 3: 10-18

15th / 16th December 2018

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

Anniversaries this week

*Frances Barrett, Josephine Thomas,
Joseph Mahon, Mary O'Donnell, Christine
Hands, James Ross, Edna Goodfellow
May they rest in peace*

Confession – Saturday, 12 noon – 1 pm

Rosary – 9.45 am – before Sunday Mass

Family Choir Practice – Tuesday @ 6.30 pm

Prayer Group – no meeting this Tuesday
18th December

Children's Liturgy – 1st and 3rd Sunday of
the month

Collections for weekend of 8th / 9th December 2018
Loose: £112.30 Envelopes: £275.00
Total: £387.30

Poor Parishes: **Total: £67.20**

Thank you for your generosity

Lectionary Cycle: Third Sunday of Advent – Year C			
Prayer of The Church – Week III			
Sat 15 th December	Mass Vigil Mass for Sunday	9.15 am 5.30 pm	St Benedict's St Nicholas'
Sun 16 th December	Mass	10.00 am	St Benedict's
Mon 17 th December	Mass	9.15 am	St Benedict's
Tues 18 th December	Penitential Service – please come along to this important preparation for the Nativity of the Lord. Father John Sharp will be leading the service.	6.30 pm	St Benedict's
Wed 19 th December	No Mass		
Thurs 20 th December	Mass	9.15 am	St Benedict's
Fri 21 st December	Mass St Peter Canisius, Priest, Doctor of the Church	9.15 am	St Benedict's
Sat 22 nd December	Mass Vigil Mass for Sunday	9.15 am 5.30 pm	St Benedict's St Nicholas'

I'm sure you will agree that our Christmas tree is looking beautiful again this year. Many thanks to Lynn and Robin Goodfellow for providing this and to all involved in decorating, especially Annette Howell. This is ready now for 'presents under the tree,' your gifts to the children of Nanka, Nigeria, Father Damian's home village. (Please see over the page for details of our Christmas Appeals).

Also thanks to Annette for opening her home for the 'Christ in the Home' event held last Monday, a lovely evening of prayer and celebration.

Change in Mass time

From the first Monday in the new year, Monday morning Mass will be at the earlier time of 9.00 am.

Christmas Appeals

For village of Nanka, Nigeria

The Committee has decided that 'presents under the tree' this year should be gifts for the children of Father Damian's home village of Nanka, Nigeria.

Children's clothes, books and novels, school bags, pencils, biros, markers, toys and any other items you think would be useful and/or fun. All will be gratefully received.

For the homeless

We are asking for donations of warm clothing (ie. scarves, hats, gloves) for those in need and the homeless. A box will be left in the porch where these items can be placed.

We are still looking for **volunteers** for the **Coffee Morning Rota** and for the **Children's Liturgy Rota** for 2019. Volunteers will only be called upon once a month, at the most *many hands make light work!!*

Sunday 3rd February, 2019, 11.00 am Thanksgiving Mass for Marriage that His Grace, Archbishop Bernard, will celebrate at St Chad's Cathedral.

We are encouraging couples who will be celebrating a particular milestone anniversary (10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 40, 45, 50, 60 and every year over 60) to attend as well as those newly married or preparing to marry in 2019.

If you know of any couples celebrating a milestone anniversary please ask them to contact me via email – lianne.pap@rc-birmingham.org marking the email 'Marriage Mass'.

I am also trying to find the longest married couple in the Diocese and the Communications Team will be interviewing couples who get in touch to gather testimonies. To date the longest married couple to get in touch is 62 years.

Parish Co-ordinators					
Parish Chair Children's Liturgy	Rebecca Mander	01564 793774	Eucharistic Ministers (JB - MC/Servers)	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	John Burke	01564 793692	Rosary	Cath Middleton	01527 435041
Parish Catechist	Mary Cooke	01564 794333	Ecumenical Contacts	Jan Wright	01564 793528
Safeguarding Representative	Collette Gay	01564 795314	Piety Stall	Catherine Treacy	01564 792242
Church Flowers Wedding & Funeral Co-ordinator Prayer Group	Sally Whitehead	01564 792887	Church Warden	Catherin Dooling	01789 204487
APF – Missio boxes	John Anderson	01564 792983	Admin	Chris Killourhey	01564 637478

Compiled by John Burke		Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
15 th – 16 th December	St Nicholas	Dee Tyler	Ann Platt / David Cox
	Our Lady & St Benedict	Maria Hodgson	Collette Gay / John Treacy
22 nd – 23 rd December	St Nicholas	Collette Gay	Ann Platt / Vincent Gilligan
	Our Lady & St Benedict	Tim Cooke	John Treacy / Cath Middleton
Christmas Eve 8.00 pm	Our Lady & St Benedict	Cath Middleton	Rebecca Mander Cath Middleton
Christmas Day 8.30 am	St Nicholas	Barbara Alcock	Ann Platt, Treacy Family
10.00 am	Our Lady & St Benedict	Louise Sandford	Rachel Saltmarsh, Vincent Gilligan, Janet Wright, Sue Harrimon,

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If you have an item for the Newsletter please email to Chris Killourhey:
chrisk39@hotmail.co.uk by the preceding Wednesday at the latest

Warwick Deanery Website: this can be found at: www.warwick-catholicdeanery.org.uk

Visitors You are very welcome. Please make sure you introduce yourselves and sign the visitors' book at the back of the Church.

***MAY THE TWELVE DAYS OF CHRISTMAS BE A TIME OF GOD'S GRACE
FOR YOU AND YOUR LOVED ONES***