

Blessed Robert Grissold Catholic Church, Balsall Common

In the Archdiocese of Birmingham Sunday Mass Time 9.30 am.

13th January 2019 – Feast of the Baptism of the Lord – Year C

“While Jesus after his own baptism was at prayer, heaven opened”

Pope’s Prayer Intention - Evangelization: Young People and the Example of Mary. That young people, especially in Latin America, follow the example of Mary and respond to the call of the Lord to communicate the joy of the Gospel to the world.

Father Frank. *Today we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord and we leave behind the touching scene of the crib. Jesus has moved from the helpless infant of Bethlehem to a grown man who takes upon himself a tremendous burden and responsibility. The burden is the weight of the sins of humankind. The responsibility is to make reparation for those sins.*

Saints & Feast Days this Week: St Antony, Abbot (17th), St Wulstan, Bishop (18th).

Change to Mass times this week. Please note the changes on Wednesday and Thursday of this week to the times of Masses and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

Collection: 6th January. Loose plate £56.00, envelopes £115.00, standing orders £390.00, **Total £561.00.**

Christmas Raffle. The Raffle raised £944.00. Thank you to everyone who donated prizes or bought raffle tickets. Tracey; and thanks to Tracey for organising the raffle.

100 Club subscriptions 2019. Many thanks to all those who have a subscription to our 100 Club, which raises over £700 annually towards church funds. Subscriptions are now due for 2019. New members are always welcome. The cost for one subscription is £15 for the year, with the chance to win £75, £45, or £30 quarterly. Chris and John will be in the hall after Mass for the next few Sundays to collect subscriptions.

Parish Open Meeting for all Parishioners. This Wednesday, 16th January at 7-30pm in the Parish Room. The main objective of the meeting is to discuss what celebration we should have for the church’s 25 year’s anniversary this year, both religious and social. We hope to get some ideas and form a working party to help organise these events.

Book Launch - Tracey’s Memoir, ‘Hidden Strength’. 15th January 6.30pm - 8.30pm Mallory Court - Wine - Canapes - Guest Speakers. Profit from the sale of the book to support children and young adults coping with grief.

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: Angela Belford, Jack Brookes, Eileen Innes, Audrey Morris.

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RECEPTION PLACES – SEPTEMBER 2019 - If your child was born between 1 September 2014 and 31 August 2015, you can apply now. **Closing date – 15 January 2019. Please also provide a copy of your child’s Baptism Certificate.**

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This Week's Liturgy and Rota Arrangements

Date & Time:	Sunday, 13 th January – 9.30am	Sunday, 20 th January – 9.30am
Day:	Feast of the Baptism of the Lord	Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Celebrant:	Father Frank	Father Frank
Intention:	Louise Walton (RIP)	Private Intention M.M.
Altar Servers:	Jacob & Laura	Ethan & Joe
Wardens:	Ciaran McSorley Celine Burley & John McLellan	Godfrey Chesshire Monica Green & Ann Crossley
Readers:	Bob Jones & Stefan Hunka	John McLellan & James Green
Eucharistic Ministers:	Joe Martin John & Louise Perry	Carol Beck Mike Fairbrother & Stefan Hunka
Counting:	Alan & Jane Devoy	Dave & Aislinn Cant
Tea & Coffee:	Anne Stewart & Val Timms	Bridget Harrison & Ann Ostler
Cleaning:	Chris Lynn & Irene Gibbons	Chris & Margaret Burleigh
Flowers:	Chris Mitchell	Bridget Harrison
Children's Liturgy:	Kathryn & Monica	Claire & Sara
Music	Instrumental Group	tba

This Week's Services

Date:	Tuesday, 15 th Jan	Wednesday, 16 th Jan	Thursday, 17 th Jan
Time:	10.00am Mass	7.00pm Mass Followed by Parish Meeting at 7.30pm	7.00pm Mass Memorial of St Antony Followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, mediations and silent Prayer until Benediction at 8.00pm
Intention:	Doreen Crewe (RIP)	Sister Rita	Sister Brigid

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

Contributions for the Bulletin: Ellie Clarke is now compiling the newsletter. Please send items to her by 7.00pm on Wednesday to iehclarke@btinternet.com

Priest: Revd. Father Frank Smith. Tel : 07512 100908 Email : parishpriest@brgparish.org.uk

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