



OUR LADY & ST BENEDICT'S CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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7th-8th December 2019

Second Sunday of Advent

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

Lately Dead: Nail Hyder Joy Dyer, Judy Ellis..

Anniversaries coming up: Mari Therese Reynolds Jessie Harrop, Leslie Wright, Lucy Hood Phillips, George Evans, Elsie Ashcroft, Raymond Saunders

Confession – Saturday, 12 noon – 1 pm

Rosary – 9.45 am – before Sunday Mass.

Joy Dyer (RIP) Funeral Mass 12.00 Friday 20th December St Saviours Catholic Church Broadway
Joy with Freddie were for many years involved in our Parish Committee

“Repent for the Kingdom of God is close at Hand”
Matt 3

Collections 30 November - 1st December

First collection
Gift aid £128.50
Loose £109.26
Total £237.76

Second collection Maintenance
Total: £216.06

Second Collection This Week
Poor Parishes of the Diocese

Second Collection Next Weekend Church Flowers

Could anyone interested in counting or banking for the parish please reach out.

Lectionary Cycle: – Year A Second Sunday of Advent Prayer of The Church – 2

Sat 7 th Dec	Mass: Memorial of St Ambrose Bishop, Doctor	9.15am	St Benedict's
	Vigil Mass 2nd Week in Advent	5.30pm	St Nicholas
Sun 8 th Dec	Mass Second Week in Advent: Dominic Alcock (RIP)	10.00am	St Benedict's
Mon 9 th Dec	Mass: Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary: Russell Brooks (RIP)	9.00am	St Benedict's
Tue 10 th Dec	Mass: Advent Feria Optional Memorial Our Lady of Loretto	9.15 pm	St Benedict's
	St Mary's School Carol Service	6.00pm	St Benedict's
Wed 11 th Dec	Advent Feria:	No Mass	St Benedict's
Thur 12 th Dec	Mass: Advent Feria: Martin Connolly RIP	9.15am	St Benedict's
Fri 13 th Dec	Mass: Memorial of St Lucy, Virgin, Martyr	9.15am	St Benedict's
Sat 14 th Dec	Mass: Memorial of St. John of the Cross, Priest	9.15am	St Benedict's
	Vigil Mass 3rd Week in Advent Norah Burke (RIP)	5.30pm	St Nicholas
Sun 15 th Dec	Mass Third Week in Advent: (Baby Freya Chapman (RIP)	10.00am	St Benedict's

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary 12.00 St Chads

The Archbishop is celebrating a Special Mass on Monday. It is our Diocese's Patronal feast and the 10th Anniversary of his instillation as Archbishop of Birmingham.

Carol Service

St Mary's is holding their Carol Service at Our Lady and St Benedict's at 6pm on Tuesday 10th December. Everyone is welcome.

Church Flowers

There will be a second collection on the weekend of 14th & 15th December for our Christmas decorations and church flowers. I am sure you will all agree the flower team are doing an amazing job and the flowers for Harvest and Remembrance Day were outstanding.

Christmas Penitential Service

On 17th December we will be holding our Christmas Penitential Service at 6.30. Fr Damian will be joined by another Priest from the Deanery. Please do come along.

Altar Servers Guild of St Stephen Enrolment

Next Sunday 15th December we will be enrolling our Altar Servers into the Guild of St Stephen at the 10.00 mass to recognise their commitment to our services at Our lady and St Benedict's.

Christmas Gifts

This year, the Parish Committee have decided it would be nice to support The Food Bank with gifts under the tree made up of seasonal delights, toiletries, pampering products and feminine hygiene items as well as the usual long - life foods. There are lists at the back of the Church for the Foodbank's most wanted items. Please make sure the items have a long shelf life especially if they are baked seasonal goods such as Christmas puddings as we cannot guarantee the date they will be served. Opened items cannot be accepted.

St Peter's Ecumenical Christmas Service 15th December at 4pm, followed by refreshments.

Please join Father and some of our readers at this special service when we come together with other local churches to celebrate the season of good will!

Christmas At Home.

Annette is Organising again her very popular At Home on Friday 20th December 2.30. The Lanterns Featherbed Lane. As usual there will be carols and Mince Pies to prepare for the great feast of Christmas

Bible Brunch

The Bible Brunch has met every fortnight on a Thursday, thanks to all who attended. We will be taking a break over Christmas until February.

Medjugorje Irish Centre.

They are offering two Pilgrimages to Medjugorje in April and October 2020. For more information please see posters.

Prayer for the 'Year of the Word' 2020

Living God,
you walk alongside us
and speak to us throughout the Scriptures.
Your Son, Jesus Christ,
listens to our hopes and fears
and shows us how to live for one another.
Send us the Holy Spirit
to open our hearts and minds
so that we may be your witnesses
throughout the world. Amen.
Your word is our path and your truth are our light.
This day and every day.
Our Lady of the Annunciation pray for us.
St Matthew Pray for us.
St Jerome pray for us.



Compiled By	John Burke	Eucharistic Ministers	Readers
6 th Dec	St Nicholas	John Burke, Collette Gay	Ann Platt
7 th Dec	Our Lady & St Benedict	Janet Wright, Annette Howell	Saltmarsh family
13 th Dec	St Nicholas	Mary Clarke, Ann Platt	Liz Showell
14 th Dec	Our Lady & St Benedict	Victoria Neville, Adriano Fernandes	Maria Hodgson

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