



**OUR LADY & ST BENEDICT'S CHURCH NEWSLETTER**

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**28<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> November 2020**

**First Sunday of Advent**

Stay awake, because you do not know when the master of the house is coming. Mark 13: 33-37

**First Sunday of Advent Lectionary Year B. Psalter week 1**

***The Pope's Prayer intention for November Artificial Intelligence.***

We pray that the progress of robotics and artificial intelligence may always serve mankind.

Sat 28 <sup>th</sup> November	Memorial of Our Lady on a Saturday Divine Healing Maureen Walsh, Pat Crehan, Peggy Lennon, Michael Walsh, Andrew Doyle <b>Church Open for Private Prayer</b>	Mass 9.15 am In Private  <b>Church opens for Private Prayer 5.30 – 6.30 pm</b>
Sun 29 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>First Sunday of Advent (Bible Sunday)</b> Rose Fitzpatrick RIP	<b>Private Mass &amp; Mass Online 10.00 am</b> <b>Second collection Poor Parishes of the Diocese</b>
Mon 30 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Feast of St Andrew Apostle.	Mass 9. 00 am In Private
Tue 1 <sup>st</sup> Dec	Feast of St Edmund Campion Priest Martyr Divine Healing for Michael and Christopher Bates	Mass 9.15 am In Private
Wed 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dec	Advent Feria	No Mass
Thurs 3 <sup>rd</sup> Dec	Memorial of St Francis Xavier Priest	Mass 9.15 am In Private
Fri 4 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Advent Feria	Mass 9.15 In Private
Sat 5 <sup>th</sup> December	Feast of St Birinus Bishop. Vigil for Second Sunday in Advent Bible Sunday Divine healing for Michael and Christopher Bates	Mass 9.15 am In Private <b>Public Mass 5.30 – 6.30 pm</b> Second collection Parish Maintenance
Sun 6 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>First Sunday of Advent</b> Divine healing, Maureen Walsh, Pat Crehan, Peggy Lennon Michael Walsh, Andrew Doyle <b>Online Mass + Live Stream via Zoom Password as Previous</b>	<b>Public Mass &amp; Mass Online 10.00 am</b> Second collection Parish Maintenance

**Prayer intentions**

Please pray for those on our parish sick list and all sick the elderly, the housebound, all who are self -isolating and all who care for them.

In this month of the Holy Souls, we pray for all our family and friends who have died, for those whose anniversaries are near, Jim and Jessie Coleman, John Ward and Mari Therese Reynolds, may they be called by the Lord Jesus Christ into his Heavenly home.

**Second collection for the poor parishes in the Diocese Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> November**

The Poor Mission Fund exists to help our poorer parishes, many of which will have been particularly badly hit this year. Archbishop Bernard is asking us all to do what we can to support this fund. We can take donations through the parish collections. You can also donate directly via the diocesan website, for those who are eligible the fund will benefit if you can gift aid your donation.

<https://www.mygiving.online/appdonation/DonateNow/197597ae-b53e-430f-be0a-a78281e94aa8>

**Second Collection Weekend 5-6 December. Parish Maintenance Fund**

Next week can you all please consider supporting our own parish Maintenance fund

**The Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham Registered Charity No. 234**

### **Masses at Christmas Pre-booking needed.**

The government and church have indicated that barring any local restrictions we should be able to welcome worshippers for public services at Christmas. We will still have to follow our Covid policies and maintain space between social or family "bubbles".

We are planning to have an additional mass at 5.30pm along with our normal Christmas eve mass at 7.30pm. On Christmas Morning we hope to have mass at 8.30 am and at 10.00 am. All the masses will be at our church in Wootton Wawen.

We will need to set up a booking system for all masses, and will try to accommodate as many worshipers at each service as distancing will allow on a first come first served basis and with all the health and safety measures currently in place.

We will be sharing one of our masses on Christmas eve along with our 10.00 mass on Christmas Morning via Zoom.

### **Message from Fr Damian. Remember we are closed until 5<sup>th</sup> December for Public Services**

It was lovely to see so many of you come out last weekend to join in the prayer vigil for the end of the Pandemic. Although we will be closed for public worship this weekend, we will still open on Saturday night for Private Prayer. We are relying heavily on our Zoom Mass on Sunday at 10.00 to share our Worship. I am afraid my Laptop has irretrievably packed up and is not repairable. Until I can get a replacement, I am using an older one which is not so good for Zoom, sorry if at times I cannot hear you or respond to you during our online services.

I am looking forward to seeing you all in Church next weekend 5/6 of December.

This weekend we start a new year in the church with the First Sunday in Advent Year B. We will be following the Gospel of St Mark.

Advent is a great time of renewal in the Church, we start the new year and prepare for the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ. Can I commend the Pope's intention for December, this encourages us to Prayer, that our personal relationship with Jesus Christ is nourished by the word of God and by Prayer?

### **Daily Prayer for the ending of the pandemic**

The Catholic Bishops of England and Wales have urged us to join in a shared moment of prayer each day at 6.00 pm for an end of the Pandemic. Can we join as a parish in the wonderful prayer. The Angelus.

### **2020 Diaries**

To avoid unsold stock, if you would like to order a 2021 Catholic Diary can you please drop the parish an email.

### **Needed! Sewing machines for Nanka Nigeria.**

Have you got a sewing machine you no longer use taking up space in your attic? There are trained machinists in Nanka who cannot work because they have no machine. I am looking to send a shipment of machines with material (cotton/silk/wool and thread) over to Nanka to empower those who have the skills but lack equipment. Please email me at [louisesandford@btinternet.com](mailto:louisesandford@btinternet.com) if you have a machine or supplies to donate so that I can see if I can make this work.

### **MISSIO RED BOX 'Here I am, send me!'**

If you have a Red Box it is time to get it emptied to send on, please contact **Mary Clarke on 01564 795396**, or drop the parish email a message on [olandsb@gmail.com](mailto:olandsb@gmail.com) or leave the box with Fr Damian. If you would like to have a Red box in your home to collect for Missio throughout the year, there are spares in church or please contact Mary

### **Church Opening for Private Prayer Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> November 2020.**

**HANDS- FACE- SPACE**

Can we ask all attending to please follow the guidance we have issued; this is for your own benefit as well as other worshippers attending for prayer. Please follow the steward's directions.

**If you or your family have the symptoms of COVID 19 please do not come to the church**

**Warwick Deanery Website:**

[www.warwick-catholicdeanery.org.uk](http://www.warwick-catholicdeanery.org.uk).

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