



**PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ALL SAINTS,
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HEALTH AND SAFETY Mr Steve McNally

SAFEGUARDING - The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies and procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Mr. Paul Shannon and Mrs. Kathryn Sargent. They can be contacted at sg.olas.stourbridge@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 / safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk

PARISH YOUTH WORKER – Mr Liam Thomas yth.olas.stourbridge@rcaob.org.uk

ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL Principal Mr Anthony Wilkes 01384 431980

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Both schools are part of Emmaus Catholic MAC www.emmausmac.com

Third Sunday of Advent –14th/15th December 2024 Year C

DATE	TIME	INTENTION	FEAST
Saturday 14th December	5-00PM	Barry Nicholls and Nicholls family intentions	Third Sunday of Advent
Sunday 15th	8-30AM 11-00AM 4-00PM	Taft family deceased People of the Parish Candlelight Carol Service led by St Joseph's school.	
Monday 16th	9-00AM	Intentions of Barker family	
Tuesday 17th	12-30PM	Intentions of Laraine Cafferty & David West	
Wednesday 18th	9-00AM	Patricia Maxwell	
Thursday 19th	9-00AM	Intentions of Mary Nisbet	
Friday 20th	9-10AM 7-00PM	Mass at St Joseph's School – Rose Elwell Holy Souls	
Saturday 21st	10-00AM 5-00PM	Intentions of James Grady Philip New	Fourth Sunday of Advent
Sunday 22nd	8-30AM 11-00AM	Coyne & Gibbons families deceased People of the Parish	

PRAYERS AND READINGS FOR TODAY ARE ON PAGE 87 OF THE MASS BOOK

The collection for Friends of the Holy Land raised £1003. 78 Thank you for your generosity.

The collection this weekend will be for Church Christmas Flowers.

The Crib collection this year will be for the CAFOD Middle East Appeal.

CONFESSIONS – Saturday 10-30am – 11am. Also, confession is available after any Mass.

ADORATION – After Saturday 10am Mass, Wednesday 8-30am, Thursday 3pm

BIBLE STUDY – Restarts on Wednesday 8th January 2025.

DIVINE MERCY – After Mass on Thursday. **HOLY HOUR** – Thursdays 3pm - Adoration and Benediction before the blessed Sacrament. **ADULT INSTRUCTION** – Thursdays 7pm in the presbytery.

CHURCH OPENING – Church is open all day from 10am – 4pm next Friday. Please join our team of volunteers; a sign-up sheet for just an hour can be found in the porch.

ROSARY – Friday 6.35pm **CHILDREN'S LITURGY** – 5pm Saturday.

ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM DIOCESAN DIRECTORY 2025 – copies available on the piety stall at a cost of £5.



CONTACTLESS AND ONLINE DONATIONS

We are now able to offer contactless payments in the porch.

You can also donate online to the offertory, second/retiring collection, general parish donation, and youth activities, using the following link <https://donate.mydona.com/our-lady-all-st-stourbridge> or using this QR code.

CHRISTMAS FAYRE – Thank you to everyone who supported the fayre with donations, help with setting up, running stalls, clearing away or just attending. It was lovely to hear the Children of St Joseph’s singing carols. With your support we raised a fantastic £3955.47 (which includes all the money for the cash prizes) Considering the weather this is an amazing amount.

CHURCH FLOWERS – If anyone can supply any greenery for the Church Christmas flowers, please can this be left outside the parish centre by Friday 20th December. Thank you.

PIETY STALL – Christmas cards, Calendars, Advent Calendars, Candles and gifts available are available now.

CAFOD – World Gift Christmas gift catalogues are available in the porch.

PARISH MAGAZINE 2024 – If you or your group would like an article included in the parish magazine due to be printed in early 2025, please email these to olas.stourbridge@rcaob.org.uk as soon as possible please.

MISSIO 2024 calendars available in the porch.

CATHOLIC HERALD – The December edition is now available in the porch. £5 each.

DECEMBER SCRIPTURE COMMENTARIES on our website, olas.org.uk and in the porch.

POPE’S PRAYER INTENTION FOR DECEMBER – We pray that this Jubilee Year strengthens our faith, helping us to recognise the Risen Christ in our daily lives, and that it may transform us into pilgrims of Christian hope.

EARLY BRITISH CHRISTIANITY – Professor Brian Ferry is proposing running two sessions on the topic. If you think you might be interested let Fr Stephen know by emailing fr.stephen.pimlott@rcaob.org.uk

ACTIVITIES TAKING PLACE IN OUR PARISH CENTRE

TODDLERS - Tuesday mornings term time only. Please contact Shelagh on 07742 988204

ALL SAINTS YOUTH GROUP – Returns on Tuesday 14th January – 6-30pm – 8-30pm

LUNCHEON CLUB – Christmas lunch is now fully booked.

FRANISCAN MEETING – Wednesday 18th December, 7pm. All Welcome

THE PARISH IGNATIAN PRAYER - Meet every 1st and 3rd Wednesday evening at 7pm on Zoom. Please contact either Sue on 07450 656757 – suemcderm@aol.com - or Alice on 07845 706362 – alice.grennan@googlemail.com.

FOODBANK DONATIONS - We are open on Tuesday, 12:30pm -3:00pm and Friday 10-00am – 12-30pm. Please drop your donations of food to the back door of the parish centre. Thank you for you continued support. If you wish to donate other items please check with the foodbank volunteers first.

GOING INTO HOSPITAL – It is important that you notify the parish if you or a member of your family are admitted into hospital; For admissions to Russell’s Hall, please notify Deacon Tom - 07415 211098 For admissions to other hospitals, please notify Fr Philip - 01384 395308

PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES WITH THE ARCHDIOCESE Saturday 24th – Friday 30th May – to register your interest please visit [Lourdes Pilgrimage 2025 | Home | Birmingham Diocesan Trust](#) **Bookings are now open**

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN STOURBRIDGE - We are singing just before Christmas, so people should be in a festive mood (or need encouragement and good cheer), please encourage your church members to come and sing on Saturday, 21st December. We gather at 10.00 for 10.15 start in the usual spot outside Tesco and will sing for about half an hour. Then we move to the Ryemarket, by the empty shop next to ECO Maniax. We’ll start singing there about 11.00. It would be good to have a sizeable crowd of singers, so come along to either or both venues.

Escorted Tour to Westport, Knock & Co Mayo, 10th March 2025. £799.00 pps. Price includes flight, 10kg hold luggage, 4 nights’ in 4* Castlecourt Hotel, Westport with Dinner, Bed & Breakfast. Lunch on three days. All entertainment, excursions and transport included. Visit Knock, Galway City, Kylemore Abbey, Croagh Patrick, Ballintubber Abbey, Quiet Man Museum. Single supplement on Enquiry. Contact 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.

A parishioner is looking for a gardener a few hours a week, please call 01384 440868. Any agreement made would be between yourselves.