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Archdiocese of Birmingham Registered Charity Number 234216

PARISH PRIEST Fr Philip Griffin PRIEST IN RESIDENCE Fr Stephen Pimlott PARISH DEACON Rev Mr Tom Tranter PARISH SECRETARY Mrs Sarah Price

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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

Second Sunday of Advent -7th/8th December 2024 Year C

DATE	TIME	INTENTION	FEAST
Saturday 7th December	5-00PM	Intentions of Kenelm Youth Trust	Second Sunday of Advent
Sunday 8th	8-30AM	Raymond Blakeway	
	11-00AM	People of the Parish	
	4-00PM	Vespers and Benediction	
Monday 9th	9-00AM	John Glynn (anniversary)	Immaculate Conception of the
			Blessed Virgin Mary
Tuesday 10th	9-10AM	HAGLEY SCHOOL MASS – Mary Lee	
	9-00AM	Theodore Christopher Skelding (anniversary)	
Wednesday 11th	9-00AM	Intentions of Mervyn Lodge	
Thursday 12th	9-00AM	Valerie Mills (1st Anniversary)	
Friday 13th	9-00AM	Holy Souls	St Lucy
•	7-00PM	O'Dwyer family deceased	
Saturday 14th	10-00AM	Intentions of Pauline Croydon	St John of the Cross
	5-00PM	Barry Nicholls and Nicholls family intentions	Third Sunday of Advent
Sunday 15th	8-30AM	Taft family deceased	
-	11-00AM	People of the Parish	
	4-00PM	Candlelight Carol Service led by St Joseph's school.	

PRAYERS AND READINGS FOR TODAY ARE ON PAGE 84 OF THE MASS BOOK

The collection for the Catholic Youth Service raised £705.92

The collection for the SVP raised £1625.15 (including £856.20 on the card machine) Thank you for your generosity.

The weekend the Second collection will be for the Poor Parishes Fund.

The collection next weekend will be for Church Christmas Flowers.

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

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

BIBLE STUDY - Wednesday 10am in the Parish centre.

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 8-30am – 4pm on Fridays. <u>Please join our team of volunteers; a sign-up sheet for just an hour can be found in the porch.</u>

ROSARY - Friday 6.35pm CHILDREN'S LITURGY - 5pm Saturday.

ADVENT WALK WITH ME BOOKS – Are available in the porch, £1 each.

FIRST RECONCILIATION SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME 2025— If you have a child in year 3 or above, who wishes to take part in the sacramental programme starting in the new year please download the letter and application from our website olas.org.uk "Parish Youth Matters" page. Please return the completed application form to Fr Philip along with a copy of your child's baptismal certificate before the **parents meeting on Thursday 12th December 6pm in the parish centre.**

Thank you to everyone who supported the Parish Christmas Fayre. Details of the amount raised to follow.

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.

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.

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 - Tuesday 10th December – Bowling evening.

LET THE CHILDREN LIVE FUNDRAISER Mulled wine and Mince Pies, Saturday 14th December, 11am.

LUNCHEON CLUB – December lunch is now fully booked.

FRANSICAN MEETING - Wednesday 18th December, 7pm. All Welcome

JUBLIEE YEAR PILGRIMAGE TO ROME AND ASSISI – 20th – 25th MAY 2025. The cost is £1095 for adults and £1080 for children. Please contact either Fr Louis on 07758 942747 or Helen Peters on 07973 630297 if you would like to book a place or require further information.

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 <u>Lourdes Pilgrimage 2025 | Home | Birmingham Diocesan Trust</u>

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.