

**PARISH OF OUR LADY AND ALL SAINTS,
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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

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time – 22nd/23rd February 2025 Year C

DATE	TIME	INTENTION	FEAST
Saturday 22nd February 2025	5-00PM	Deo Gracias Gifa (anniversary)	Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday 23rd	8-30AM 11-00AM	People of the Parish Intentions of Barker family	
Monday 24th		NO MASS	
Tuesday 25th	9-10AM 12-30PM	MASS AT HAGLEY SCHOOL Brockway, Ambrose and smith family intentions	
Wednesday 26th	9-00AM	Evelyn Mary Bloxham	
Thursday 27th	9-00AM	Kay and Harry Reilly	
Friday 28th	9-00AM 7-00PM	Edith Rachel Cotton RIP (birthday) Holy Souls	
Saturday 1st March	10-00AM 5-00PM	Let the Children Live Albert Fenlon (anniversary)	St David Patron of Wales Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday 2nd	8-30AM 11-00AM	People of the Parish Anne Gannon (recently deceased)	

PRAYERS AND READINGS FOR TODAY ARE ON PAGE 141 OF THE MASS BOOK

The second collection next weekend will be for Cathedral Maintenance.

Friday 14th March is the CAFOD Lent Family Fast Day -

For those who wish to gift aid their donations, envelopes are available in the porch.

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

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

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 – Thursday 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.

RECENTLY DEPARTED – Anthony Reilly, Funeral Service, Wednesday 26th February 11.40am Stourbridge Crem.

Please return all Palm Crosses to the Church or Presbytery.

FACEBOOK AND INSTAGRAM PAGE – Please follow us on our parish Facebook page – Our Lady and All Saints Catholic Church, Stourbridge and our Youth Matters Instagram page @youthmattersolas

ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM WEEKLY NEWSLETTER – to sign up please visit www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk

PARISH CENSUS FORMS – A polite reminder for our existing and any new parishioners - If you haven't already done so, please complete one of our parish census forms. Our parish database gives us another way of communicating with parishioners; however, we cannot add your details without a signed census form.

There is a 24/7 Live Internet Camera Operating in this Church.

2025 LENT PRAYER BOOKS – are available in the porch for £1 each. Calendars are also available for those children who do not attend St Joseph's school, they will receive one next week.

FEBRUARY DEANERY MONTH OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS - During this month we are asked to pray especially for vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate, Consecrated and Religious life. There are two special opportunities for our youth to pray for vocations with others from our deanery:

Friday 28th February 7.00pm – 8.00pm: Youth Prayer Vigil at SS Peter and Paul. Wolverhampton All Welcome!

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

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR FEBRUARY – Let us pray that the ecclesial community may welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.

OLAS WALKING GROUP – Join our new walking group, Sunday 23rd February, 2pm, meet at the Edward Marsh Centre, Legion Drive, off High Street, Kinver, Stourbridge DY7 6ET. Families and dog's welcome. Please message Liam on 07566 754220 to find out more.

THEOLOGY ON TAP – Tuesday 4th March 6-30pm at the Old White Horse pub, opposite Mary Stevens Park. Fr Marco will lead us in an open and honest question and answer session with no topic unanswered. Anyone over the age of 18 is welcome to attend. Please text Liam on 07566 754220 to confirm your attendance

ACTIVITIES TAKING PLACE IN OUR PARISH CENTRE

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

ALL SAINTS YOUTH GROUP - Tuesday 25th February - 6-30pm – 8-30pm. New members welcome (Yr 5-9)

LUNCHEON CLUB – The next lunch will be held on Wednesday 26th February, this will be a fish and chip lunch. If you wish to attend, please contact Elaine on 07941 833026 by Monday 24th February with your order.

FRANCISCANS – meet on the 2nd Wednesday of the month. They next meet on Wednesday 12th March.

THE IGNATIAN PRAYER GROUP - 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.

LOURDES FUNDRAISING GROUP QUIZ NIGHT Friday 28th February 6pm – 8-30pm at Hagley Catholic High School. Tickets £5 each available on arrival. 6 people per team. Please bring cash for the raffle and your own drinks. Please contact Liam Thomas by email yth.olas.stourbridge@rcaob.org.uk or call 07566754220 to book your tickets.

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.

On our doorstep, Harvington Hall presents the 3rd **History Festival: *Exploding the Myths, July 23 - 27 2025*** 19 historians, many famous authors & broadcasters, will reveal new insights into the Gunpowder Plot, St. Thomas More, Spycraft, Shakespeare, Tudor fashions and so much more. Also, a beautiful festival concert in St Marys church by one of the UK's top small vocal groups. Tickets on sale now at harvingtonhall.digitickets.co.uk

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.

Hope for the Holy Land Concert - On 27th February, 7pm, St Chad's Cathedral will be hosting a fundraising concert featuring classical folk and choral music. Further information and tickets are available via [Eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.com)

Pilgrims of Hope – a Day of Renewal at **Erdington Abbey** on Saturday 22nd March 2025. This includes Praise and Worship, a talk by Jenny Baker and a time of Healing Ministry. Admission £15 - Bring your own packed lunch - Tea and coffee provided More details on <https://www.bccrc.org.uk/>



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.myдона.com/our-lady-all-st-stourbridge> or using this QR code.

SINCERE APOLOGIES TO JACKIE EDMUNDS FOR THE OMISSION OF THE FOLLOWING ARTICLE FROM THE PARISH ALIVE 2024 EDITION.

REPORT OF CHUCHES TOGETHER IN STOURBRIDGE - 2024 As part of our Parish Synodal discernment it was felt that Community Involvement is an important aspect of our Mission. Being a member of CTIS and making friends/joining in/working with other Christians, is an excellent way to achieve this. There are 15 Churches in the group including the United Lye Church who recently joined. Gigmill and New Road have now become Stourbridge Methodist Church but retaining separate buildings and Services.

There are a number of shared projects which benefit the community, and volunteers to help or be prayer partners, are always most welcome. Replenish Foodbank, the Life Centre Debt Advice and Street Pastors on Saturday nights are long-standing ways in which CTIS serves the people of Stourbridge. Our parish and schools have been very generous in their donations to the Foodbank. There is also co-operation in supporting Fair Trade and Christian Aid with various fund-raising, information and prayer initiatives. A Repair Cafe meets every month in St. Thomas's Church Hall.

Throughout the year there are opportunities for worship, discussion and study together, hosted by different Churches but open to all. The year begins with The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity in January and the (Women's) World Day of Prayer at the beginning of March. During Lent several study courses were held, again free for anyone to join in. The Good Friday Walk of Witness this year began in OLAS and ended at the Clock Tower with music from our Music Group. There was a record attendance with respectful silence during the walk. CTIS organised an Election Hustings in June and a Taize Service took place in July. Several listed Church buildings, including our own, were open for guided visits during the September Heritage Week, although attendance at ours was very poor. An interesting discussion on Prison Visiting was held at the Quaker Meeting House in October and a CTIS representative laid a wreath on the War Memorial at the Remembrance Service in Mary Stevens Park. The final event of the year is Carol Singing in the Crown Centre accompanied again by our Music Group.

Most of the activities which the Churches arrange are advertised on our bulletin, but if you want to know more please contact Jackie Edmunds, our representative. jimjackie793edmunds@btinternet.com

LENT 2025

PRAY – FAST -GIVE

LENT is 40 days from Ash Wednesday concluding with the Triduum (the three days) Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil.

The 40 days help us to identify with Jesus, who spent 40 days in fasting and prayer in the desert before beginning his public ministry. It is a time for spiritual reflection and renewal of our commitment to Christ, who gave up his life for us.

The Gospel mentions three ways - **Prayer** (God), **Fasting** (Self) and **Almsgiving** (Others) – making time for God each day, - a time for Prayer, Weekday Mass, Stations of the Cross, Spiritual Reading, the Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Reconciliation, Meditation, Serving and Helping those in Need, the Foodbank.

A Simple Prayer (daily for Lent) –

In Jesus' Name, we pray,

In Jesus' Name, we serve,

In Jesus' Name, we live. Amen.

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THE SEASON OF LENT 2025

ASH WEDNESDAY 5th MARCH

Masses: 9-00am, 12-30pm and 7-00pm

WALK WITH ME

Prayer books for daily use through Lent.

CAFOD LENT FAMILY FAST DAY 14th MARCH

A Collection will be taken over the weekend 15th/16th March.

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN STOURBRIDGE LENT COURSE

For more details via our website

BIBLE STUDY

Wednesday, 10-00am in the Parish Centre.

IGNATIAN PRAYER MEETING

1st and 3rd Wednesday via Zoom visit our website for more details.

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

Thursdays, Mass 9-00am followed by praying the Divine Mercy.

HOLY HOUR

Thursday. 3-00pm – 4-00pm Adoration and Benediction before the blessed Sacrament.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays, 9-00am and 7-00pm Mass followed by Stations of the Cross.

ADORATION

Saturdays, Mass 10-00am followed by Adoration,

CONFESSIONS

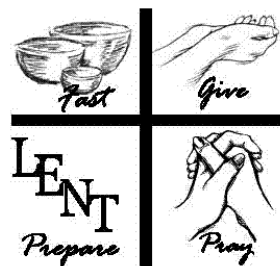
Available any day after Mass and Saturday 10-30am – 11-00am, please speak to a Welcomer.

SUNDAYS IN LENT

Masses:

Sat 5-00PM

Sun 8-30AM AND 11-00AM



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