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THE YEAR OF THE WORD

DATE

**Sunday 2nd February
2020**

SUNDAY

**Presentation of the Lord
Year A**

DIVINE OFFICE

Week 4

<u>Saturday 1st Feb.</u> (1 st Mass of Sunday)	6.00pm	Mary Russon RIP (JR & Family)
<u>Sunday 2nd Feb.</u> Feast of the Presentation of the Lord	9.30am	People of the Parish
<u>Monday 3rd Feb.</u> St. Blaise Bishop, Martyr Memorial	9.15am	Int. of Rose & David Bunce (D&RB)
<u>Tuesday 4th Feb.</u> Feria	9.15am	John & Josie Tynan RIP (Sr. A)
<u>Wednesday 5th Feb.</u> St. Agatha Virgin, Martyr Memorial	9.15am	Service of Word and Communion
<u>Thursday 6th Feb.</u> St. Paul Miki and Companions Martyrs Memorial	9.15am 7.00pm 7:30pm	Int. of Emma Jones (SVP) Rosary for the unborn Dec. of the Goodwin Family (D&SG)
<u>Friday 7th Feb.</u> Feria	9.15am	Int. of Deacon John (DM)
<u>Saturday 8th Feb.</u> Saturday Memorial of the BVM (1 st Mass of Sunday)	9.30am 10-11am 11.00am 6.00pm	Carla Bewley RIP Confessions & Exposition Benediction For the healing of Jerry Bernstein (JH)
<u>Sunday 9th Feb.</u> Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30am	People of the Parish

Pope Francis

The Beatitudes are the 'identity card' of a Christian. They are not about the joy that passes, but about happiness that knows how to live side by side with suffering.

Beetle Drive



We are having one of our popular 'Beetle Drives' at 7:00pm on Friday 21st February. The entrance fee, which includes a fish and chip supper, will be £8 per person. There will be no other expenses. Please remember to bring your own drinks and glasses.

Anyone wishing to attend, please add your name to the list in the porch/sacristy corridor

St Francis of Assisi College



Our next Youth SVP retreat afternoon will be on Tuesday 25th March. The theme will be based on Lent. Closer to the time we will send out a signup sheet.

Lourdes Fundraising Concert



We are extremely grateful for all of the fundraising you have already been doing for our students at SFA, to finish our campaign we will run a concert on Wednesday 1st April. We would love you all to join us for a night of incredible musical talent and help us to raise money for our great cause. More details will be realised closer to the time.

Prayers for the Unborn

On Thursday at 7.00pm, the Rosary will be prayed before the Blessed Sacrament for the protection of babies in the womb. This month our intention is for: **'Women seeking healing after an abortion'**.

Walsall Life



Walsall Life have need of prams and double push chairs. If you have any that your family no longer require, they would be most welcome. Please contact Ann T or Beryl M.

50-50 Club

The winners of the draw for December entrants drawn on 26th January:

1 st Prize	EQ	29	£150
2 nd Prize	MC	62	£75
3 rd Prize	BB	63	£40
4 th Prize	PC	44	£25

Total prizes this month £290

Annual Thanksgiving Mass for Marriage

This year the Diocese are hosting two Masses for those who are celebrating an Anniversary of Marriage, Saturday 9th & Saturday 16th of May at 12 noon. If you are interested in going please see the details on the poster in the porch.

Retiring Collection

There will be a retiring collection **this weekend**, 1st/2nd February, to support the young people of the parish who, later this year, will be going to Lourdes with SFA College.

Duty Rotas

New duty rotas for **Coffee Morning, Mass Welcomers, Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist and Cleaners** are now available from the stand in the porch.

Sick in the Parish

Please pray for all the sick in the parish, that God will bless and comfort them. Please remember especially:

Olivia (Dotty) Cutler, Ann & Keith Allford, Deacon John, Joan Hart, Emma Jones, Anna Morgan ^{nee Meehan}, Margaret Cooper, Holly Brady, Mike Mander, Jo Cooke, Anne Humphreys, Pat Gray, Paul Mott, Theresa Chandler, Evelyn Hawkey, Fr. Paul Chamberlain, Cath & Paddy Breen, Max Lewis, Alma Darby, Marguerite Baxendale, Eliz McCabe, David Piggott, Mary Ellis, Clare Cooksey & Áine McDonagh.



Catholic Agency for
Overseas Development

Live Simply Prayer – Week 10

Lord Jesus Christ, help us to follow your example, so that we show your mercy, compassion and kindness to all about us who are in need of help and support..

Many thanks for the donations of stamps, coins and broken jewellery for CAFOD. These are always much appreciated. Our gold box will remain in situ for any further donations.

Craft and Natter

We meet each Tuesday in term time from 11am, when everyone is welcome. For more information call Christine on 01922 860981

Diocesan Directories 2020

Directories are available in the sacristy. They are priced at £5.00 a copy, money to be given to Fr. Craig.

Whetstone Over 50s Group

A.G.M.- THIS MONDAY 3rd February at 2.00pm in the Meeting Room

Committee Meeting - TUESDAY 11th February at 3.15pm in the Meeting room, following the Craft and Natter Group

Quiz Night for Lourdes Fundraising



On Friday 6th March there will be a Quiz Night in the Parish Meeting Room to help raise funds for Amy Hayes' trip to Lourdes. The doors open at 7pm for a 7.30pm start. There will be 10 rounds with a fish and chip supper (Chicken or Pie options available) half way through. Please bring your own drinks and glasses. There will also be a raffle and Heads or Tales game. The night will be hosted by an experienced quiz-master. Tickets cost £8 including supper. **Teams of 6 people.** Please put your names on the sign-up sheet in the sacristy, and give your money to Emma/John Hayes.

Race Night



Regretfully, this event next Saturday is now fully booked. Many thanks to all who have supported Níamh and Katy in their fund raising. We trust that everyone going to the Race Night will enjoy a great evening out, and that N & K reach their trip goal.

Baptism Enquiries: If you would like to have your child Baptised here at St. Mary of the Angels please contact Fr. Craig, either at the end of Mass or by telephone, in order to book an appointment with him. The dates of the Baptismal Classes can be found in the porch.

Sacrament of the Sick: Please remember to inform Fr. Craig **directly** in case of sickness, especially if it requires hospital treatment or prolonged absence from Mass. If you cannot inform the clergy then your family should take on this responsibility.

PARISH DUTIES THIS WEEKEND: 1ST/2ND FEBRUARY 2020 AND THE FOLLOWING WEEK

<u>6.00PM VIGIL MASS</u>	READERS:	John H & Pat H
	E. MINS:	Emma, David G, John C & Ann T
<u>9.30AM SUNG MASS</u>	MUSIC:	Folk Group
	READERS:	Jacqui & Keith H
	E. MINS:	Margaret, Jacqui, Peter & Maura
	FLOWERS:	Jill
	CLEANERS:	Beryl, Julie, Catherine & Pat J

PARISH DUTIES NEXT WEEKEND: 8TH/9TH FEBRUARY 2020

<u>6.00PM VIGIL MASS</u>	WELCOMERS:	Shelagh & Anne H
	WARDENS:	Peter H
	READERS:	Keith H & Cathy S
	E. MINS:	Keith, Christine H, Nathalie & Bernadette
<u>9.30AM SUNG MASS</u>	MUSIC:	Choir
	WELCOMERS:	Pat J & Elena
	WARDENS:	Pat & Sally
	READERS:	Jacqui & Brian
	E. MINS:	Catherine, Rosella, Dorothy & Jonathan
CASHIERS:	Team C	
COFFEE:	Joan, Elena & Joanne	

And finally: As we celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, Sacred Scripture affords us the opportunity of looking at how faith impacts our daily living. Today we encounter in the Gospel two figures, Simeon and Anna. These two figures share many things in common; both are well on in years, both are people of great faith, both are people who have an absolute confidence that the promise of the Lord would be fulfilled in their own time. At the exact moment that the Christ child is brought into the Temple, Simeon prompted by the Holy Spirit, and Anna who spent her days in fasting and prayer, enter in and witness the scene by which their hopes and desires were fulfilled. Like them, we too should daily, in faith and in trust, commit our lives, our work and our selves to the Lord, confident that His promises will be fulfilled.

May God bless you all. Fr. Craig