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Sunday 20th November 2022

<u>SUNDAY</u> Solemnity of Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

DIVINE OFFICE Week 2

Live-stream: All of our services are now Live-streamed.

| Saturday 19 th Nov 1 st Mass of Sunday | 6:00pm | People of the Parish |
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| Sunday 20 th November Solemnity of Jesus Christ, King of the Universe | 9:30am | Deceased Members of the Choir (EM) |
| Monday 21 st Nov Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Memorial | | Bert Mercer _{RIP} ^(S&JW) Requiem Mass: Emma Jones _{RIP} |
| <u>Tuesday 22nd Nov</u> St. Cecilia _{Virgin, Martyr} Memorial | 9:15am | Marguerite Baxendale RIP (The Hornblower Family) |
| Wednesday 23 rd Nov Feria | | No Services Today |
| Thursday 24 th Nov St. Andrew Dung-Lac Priest and Companions Martyrs Memorial | 7:00pm | A Private Intention |
| Friday 25 th Nov St. Catherine of Alexandria Virgin, Martyr | 9:15am | James Joseph Taylor _{RIP} (SVP) |
| <u>Saturday 26th Nov</u> Our Lady ^{Saturday Memorial} (1 st Mass of Sunday) | | People of the Parish Exposition, Confession & Benediction Margaret McDonagh ^{née Halton} _{RIP} ^(MMCD) |
| Sunday 27 th November First Sunday of Advent | 9:30am | Patricia McMahon RIP (KF) |

Pope Francis:

The spiritual state we call desolation can be an opportunity of growth. It provokes a "shaking of the soul", fosters vigilance and humility, and protects us from the winds of fancy.

This Week's CaFOD Prayer



(Christ the King)

You, Lord Jesus, are the king of justice and truth. You are the servant king. We praise and honour you for your humility and your sacrifice of yourself for all humanity.

Director of Education

The Archdiocese is seeking a visionary Director of Education Services to serve its 237 schools. Catholic Education is vital to the Archdiocese, which has placed young people and families at the heart of its vision. The schools will play a significant role in building even closer relationships and co-responsibility between parishes, school and home. Applications end on Monday 28th November.

Visit: <u>www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/jobs</u> to find out more.

Recently Deceased

Pray for the repose of the souls of **Emma Louise Jones** and **Amelia Gay Whelan**, on whose souls Sweet Jesus have mercy. May they Rest in Peace.

Emma's Requiem Mass will be celebrated at **11am** on **Monday 21st November** prior to interment at Streetly Cemetery at 12.30pm.

Retiring Collection

This weekend, 19th/20th November, there will be a retiring collection for the: Catholic Youth Service of the Archdiocese of Birmingham.

Pope's Prayer Intention

The Pope's prayer intention for **November** is :- For children who suffer. We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection.

Sick in the Parish

Please pray for all the sick in the parish, remember especially:

Tony Stanley, John Green, Roy Allsopp, Canon Michael & Christine, Frances Hutchcocks, Chambers, Janet .Jo Hawker, Paul Atkinson, Alison Welton, Morgan, Stephen Louise Brook, Margaret Davis, Mary Brough, Joe Bannister, Morris Moseley, Margaret Healy, Juliet Woodhall, Pat Hopley, Luke Smith, Catherine Shepherd, Keiron Sanders, Jim Smith, David Goodwin, Antonio Bigongiari, Olivia (Dotty) Cutler, Ann & Keith Allford, Dcn. John Higgins, Joan Hart, Anna Morgan née Meehan Margaret Cooper, Holly Brady, Mike Mander, Jo Cooke, Anne Humphreys, Paul Mott, Theresa Chandler, Fr. Paul Chamberlain, Cath Breen, Max Lewis, David & Sheila Piggott, Clare Cooksey & **Áine McDonagh.**

Please pray also for all those who carry the burden of their illnesses privately, and for all those who care for the sick.

With Thanks

On behalf of the Parish, I would like to say thank you to Martin H and John W who, at the AGM on Thursday, stepped down as officers of the Parish Council. Thank you for the work that you have done to support the life of the Parish. Thanks also to Don H and Mike Q as they take on their new responsibilities.

Children's Liturgy

This takes place every Sunday at the 9:30am Mass. At the start of the Mass the children will be invited to go out to the Meeting Room for their Liturgy. All children are welcome to come along.

St. Joseph's Nechells Collection

Each year as a parish we have, in the past, collected presents for the children of St. Joseph's School in Nechells. During the COVID-19 pandemic, with all of the restrictions that were in place, it became necessary to change the way in which we supported these children. Over the past two years we have sent the money we have raised, instead of buying presents, directly to the school to benefit the children, and the school have asked if we could continue this practice each year. If you would like to make a contribution toward this collection, please place your donation in an envelope marked 'St. Joseph's Nechells' and pop it through the Presbytery Letter Box. As in previous years the monies raised will provide each child with a Christmas Meal, and also purchase for them items necessary for their schoolwork which many of the parents cannot afford to buy.

Sunday Coffee Mornings

Every Sunday after the 9:30am Mass in the Meeting Room. Pop in for a tea/coffee and a biscuit. We would love to see you there!

Craft & Natter

We meet every **Tuesday** from **11am to 3pm** in the Parish Meeting Room. Everyone is welcome, 50p per session for drinks and supplies. Come for the whole day or part of the day; just remember to bring your lunch. For more information call Christine W on 07900 604902.

Praying for the Unborn



We pray for families and friends of pregnant women. That they would recognise their responsibility to care for the mother and child, and that they would shower them with love and support through the journey of pregnancy and beyond. Amen.

Thomas Project Foodbank

We continue to collect items for donation to the Foodbank run by the Thomas Project. All items for donation can be placed in the collection box in the porch.

Adult Catechesis – RCIA Course

Our course of Adult Catechesis is now running on a **Friday evening** at **6:30pm** in the Parish Meeting Room. If you would like to learn more about the faith, have a refresher course, or simply want to support those preparing to become Catholics, you are warmly invited to come along.

Urgent Request from Walsall Life

Walsall Life **urgently** needs sterilizers. If you have any that you no longer require, please contact Ann on 01922 451124. **Many thanks** for the pushchair and other items recently donated



We offer our prayers and our congratulations to Harry B, Ivy Rae C & Isabella Rose & Lily Olivia F who were all baptised here last weekend. We pray also for their parents and Godparents as they take on the responsibility of raising their children in the practice of the faith.

Sacrament of the Sick

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

Baptism Enquiries

If you would like to have your child Baptised here at St. Mary of the Angels, please visit the 'Baptismal Enquiry' page of the parish website using the following link: https://www.catholicaldridge.co.uk/baptis mal-enquiries.html Here you can complete a 'Baptism Enquiry Form'. The available dates Baptism next for Preparation are:

> 7pm Tuesday 10th January 7pm Tuesday 14th March 7pm Tuesday 9th May

| PARISH DUTIES THIS WEEKEND: 19 th /20 th November 2022 | | | |
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| 6:00PM VIGIL MASS | READERS: | Gerry W & John H | |
| 9:30AM SUNG MASS | MUSIC: | School | |
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| Duties During the Week: 21 ^{st Nov} – 26 ^{th Nov} | | | |
| CLEANERS: | Team C | | |
| FLOWERS: | No Flowers during Advent | | |
| PARISH DUTIES NEXT WEEKEND: 26 th /27 th November 2022 | | | |
| 6:00pm Vigil Mass | WELCOMERS: | Shelagh G & Anne H | |
| | WARDENS: | Brian L | |
| | READERS: | Cathy S & Pat H | |
| <u>9:30am Sung Mass</u> | MUSIC: | Folk Group | |
| | WELCOMERS: | Rossella B & Helen C | |
| | WARDENS: | Pat & Sally S | |
| | READERS: | Jacqui B & Maura L | |
| COFFEE: | Jo C, Jacqui B & Hannah & Frankie W | | |
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And finally:- This weekend, as we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King, we welcome to our celebration of Mass the children in Y6 of our Primary School, their parents, and some of the staff. Today each of these children, along with their families, will commit themselves to preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation, the last of the Sacraments of Initiation, which they will receive in March next year. As they make this commitment we are also called to think about our commitment to our faith. This week marks the end of another liturgical year. Next Sunday we will celebrate the First Sunday of Advent and the beginning of another year of grace, another year of dedicating ourselves to the service of the Lord. As we take up the task of praying for these children, members of our parish community, that the Lord will bless them during this time of preparation, let us also pray for ourselves and for our parish. Pray that during this new year we may all be blessed by the Lord in our discipleship; that we may, day by day, experience the mystery of His love in our lives, and in the life of our parish.

May God bless you all. Fr. Craíg