

<p><b><u>PARISH CLERGY:</u></b>          PARISH PRIEST  <b>Fr. Craig Davies</b>          PARISH DEACONS  <b>Rev. John Higgins</b>  <b>Rev. Peter Crosby</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>ST. MARY OF THE ANGELS</b></p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;">  <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>39 Whetstone Lane              Aldridge              Walsall              WS9 0JD              Tel:01922 452316</p> </div>  </div>	<p>This Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham.  <b>Registered Charity</b>  <b>Nº:234216</b></p>
<p><b><u>PARISH REPS:</u></b>          SAFEGUARDING:  <b>Mr Gerry Wintrip</b>          (01922 457471)          HEALTH &amp; SAFETY:  <b>Mr Phil Probert</b>          (01922 458406)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>Parish Website:</u></b>  <a href="http://www.catholicaldridge.co.uk">www.catholicaldridge.co.uk</a>  <b><u>Parish Email:</u></b>  <a href="mailto:smota.aldridge@rcaob.org.uk">smota.aldridge@rcaob.org.uk</a>  <b><u>Fr. Craig's Email:</u></b>  <a href="mailto:fr.craig.davies@rcaob.org.uk">fr.craig.davies@rcaob.org.uk</a></p>	

DATE  
**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> January**  
**2023**

SUNDAY  
**Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**Year A**

DIVINE OFFICE  
**Week 2**

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

<p><u>Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> Jan</u>          1<sup>st</sup> Mass of Sunday</p>	<p>6:00pm</p>	<p>Victor Alonzo RIP <sup>(MB)</sup></p>
<p><u>Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> January</u>  <b>Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</b></p>	<p>9:30am</p>	<p>Int. of Mr &amp; Mrs Maguire, Mr &amp; Mrs Dillon, Mr &amp; Mrs Malone &amp; Mr &amp; Mrs M<sup>c</sup>Mahon <sup>(FS)</sup></p>
<p><u>Monday 16<sup>th</sup> Jan</u>          Feria</p>	<p>9:15am</p>	<p>Marguerite Baxendale (1st Anniversary) RIP <sup>(BB)</sup></p>
<p><u>Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> Jan</u>          St. Anthony Abbot <sup>Memorial</sup></p>	<p>9:15am</p>	<p>Int. of Christine Hart <sup>(T&amp;MM)</sup></p>
<p><u>Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> Jan</u>          Feria</p>		<p>No Services Today</p>
<p><u>Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> Jan</u>          St. Wulstan Bishop <sup>Feast</sup></p>	<p>7:00pm</p>	<p>A Private Intention</p>
<p><u>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> Jan</u>          St. Sebastian Martyr <sup>Memorial</sup></p>	<p>9:15am</p>	<p>Dominic Mark Chapman RIP <sup>(SVP)</sup></p>
<p><u>Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> Jan</u>          St. Agnes Virgin, Martyr <sup>Memorial</sup>          (1<sup>st</sup> Mass of Sunday)</p>	<p>9:30am          10-11am          6:00pm</p>	<p>John Mannion RIP <sup>(JH)</sup>  <i>Exposition, Confessions and Benediction</i>          People of the Parish</p>
<p><u>Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> January</u>  <b>Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</b></p>	<p>9:30am</p>	<p>Tony Andrews RIP <sup>(CA)</sup></p>

## Pope Francis:

The Magi who set out following the star teach us that faith is a story of setting out and setting out anew. Faith does not grow if it remains static. We need to bring it outside, to live it in a constant journey towards God and towards our brothers and sisters.

### **This Week's CaFOD Prayer**



#### **(Second Sunday of the Year)**

Let your face shine upon me, Lord. Save me by your merciful love. Never allow me to be put to shame.

### Christmas Crib Collection



This year our Crib Collection will be used to support the work of Lepra. This charitable organisation works to bring help and relief to the many thousands of people across the world who suffer with Leprosy.

For more information about their work please see the notice board at the back of the church (near the Walsingham Chapel). The donation box will be situated next to the Crib until 2<sup>nd</sup> February.

### Sunday Coffee Rotas

The new Sunday Coffee Rota is now available for collection from the table in the porch. Please remember to collect them after Mass if you are part of a team.

### 2023 Diocesan Directories

The latest edition of the Diocesan Directory is now available for £5 per copy. If you would like a copy they are in the sacristy and can be purchased from either Fr. Craig or Dcn. Peter.

## Pope's Prayer Intention

The Pope's prayer intention for **January** is:- **For educators.** We pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all.

### Volunteer for CaFOD

We are looking for School Volunteers across Lichfield and Walsall where you'll deliver assemblies and workshops about the world of CaFOD. No experience is necessary. You will be fully supported, given the resources required, and there will be regular training. To know more, please get in touch with Joanne O'Meara at: [www.birmingham@cafod.org.uk](mailto:www.birmingham@cafod.org.uk)

### Sick in the Parish

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

**Geoff Hopkinson, Tony & Lynn Stanley, John Green, Roy Allsopp, Christine Leadbeater, Frances Hutchcocks, Janet Chambers, Jo Hawker, Alison Welton, Louise Morgan, Stephen 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 <sup>née</sup> 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.

### Children's Liturgy

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.

### Funeral Arrangements: John O'Neill

John's mortal remains will be received into St. Francis of Assisi, Shelfield, at **4:00pm**, on **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January**. The Requiem Mass will be celebrated on **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> January at 11:00am**.

### Wednesday Friends

Our next gathering takes place at **10:00am** this Wednesday, **18<sup>th</sup> January**, in the Parish Meeting Room. Come along for a chat, a cup of tea/coffee, and a slice of hot buttered toast. We would love to see you there!

### Rethink Abortion Training Day

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> Feb, 10am–5pm. An interactive event equipping you to talk about abortion in a meaningful and productive way in your everyday life is being held at Oscott College. The cost is £25 per person including lunch. To book and for more info see:

[www.marchforlife.co.uk/re-think-abortion-day/](http://www.marchforlife.co.uk/re-think-abortion-day/)

### Parish Social Event

Our next Parish Social takes place next Saturday, **21<sup>st</sup> January**, after the 6pm Mass. There will be Pulled Pork Baps, Dessert, and music provided by John D. Cost: **£7.50** per person. Come along for an enjoyable evening, and remember, **bring your own drinks**. Limited places available so please book early using the sign-up sheet in the porch and remember to come along!

### Praying for the Unborn



As this coming Wednesday opens the week of prayer for Christian Unity, let us pray that all Christians might express our shared love of Christ in charity towards the most vulnerable, including the sick, the poor, and the unborn. Amen.

### Adult Catechesis – RCIA Course

The course takes place every **Friday** at **6:30pm** in the Meeting Room. If you would like to learn more about the faith, or you simply wish to come and support those preparing to be received into the Church at Easter you are warmly invited to join us for these sessions.

### Life

There is still a raffle prize left from our fundraiser, **Orange ticket No. 391 (CR)**

### Recently Deceased

Please pray for the repose of the souls of **Evelyn Treadwell, Pauline Peters, 'May' Serl<sup>Aston Court</sup> & Paul Atkinson** on whose souls Sweet Jesus have mercy, may they rest in peace.

### Craft and Natter

Our weekly meetings take place on a **Tuesday** from **11am to 3pm** in the Parish Meeting Room. Everyone is welcome to come along, even if you have never done crafting before. 50p per session for drinks and supplies. Come for the whole day or for part of the day; just remember to bring your lunch. For more information call Christine W on 07900 604902

### Sunday Coffee Mornings

Every Sunday after the 9:30am Mass in the Meeting Room. If you have not yet joined us in this important parish social time why not pop in for a tea/coffee and a biscuit?

**We would love to see you there!**

## 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/baptismal-enquiries.html> Here you can complete a 'Baptism Enquiry Form'. The next available dates for Baptism Preparation are:

**7pm Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> March**

**7pm Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May**

**7pm Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July**

### PARISH DUTIES THIS WEEKEND: 14<sup>TH</sup> / 15<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2023

<b>6:00PM VIGIL MASS</b>	<b>READERS:</b>	Pat H & Brian L
<b>9:30AM SUNG MASS</b>	<b>MUSIC:</b>	Folk Group
	<b>READERS:</b>	Helen C & Cathy S

### Duties During the Week: 16<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> January 2023

<b>CLEANERS:</b>	Team B
<b>FLOWERS:</b>	Ann T

### PARISH DUTIES NEXT WEEKEND: 21<sup>ST</sup> / 22<sup>ND</sup> JANUARY 2023

<b>6:00PM VIGIL MASS</b>	<b>WELCOMERS:</b>	Shelagh G & Anne H
	<b>WARDENS:</b>	Tony M
	<b>READERS:</b>	John H & Gerry W
<b>9:30AM SUNG MASS</b>	<b>MUSIC:</b>	Choir
	<b>WELCOMERS:</b>	Rossella B & Helen C
	<b>WARDENS:</b>	Pat & Sally S
	<b>READERS:</b>	David W & Cathy S
<b>COFFEE:</b>	The Almeida Family	

**And finally:-** This weekend we celebrate the first of the thirty-three, or sometimes thirty-four, Sundays in Ordinary Time. Throughout these weeks our Sunday gospel readings, this year taken from the Gospel according to Matthew, do not focus on any specific mystery in the life of our Lord. Instead they focus our meditation on some aspect or another of the Lord teaching during the three years of His public ministry. The sermons He gave, the miracles He worked, the instructions He imparted to His first followers, reveal to us the mysteries of the Kingdom, the new way of living to which all of us, His followers, are called. This weekend, however, you might have a feeling of 'Déjà vu' as once again John the Baptist gives testimony to the events surrounding Christ's Baptism. Why? You may ask. Well the answer is quite simply. The key to our life as Christians, the source of our ability to live as He taught us to live, flow from the grace we received at our baptism.

*May God bless you all. Fr. Craig*