

<p><u>PARISH CLERGY:</u></p> <p>PARISH PRIEST Fr. Craig Davies</p> <p>PARISH DEACON Rev. Peter Crosby</p>	<p align="center">ST. MARY OF THE ANGELS</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.</p> <p align="center">Registered Charity Nº:234216</p>
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DATE
Sunday 19th November 2023

SUNDAY
**Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary
Time Year A**

DIVINE OFFICE
Week 1

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

<p><u>Saturday 18th Nov</u> 1st Mass of Sunday</p>	<p>6:00pm</p>	<p>Francis Patton <small>RIP</small> (Patton Family)</p>
<p><u>Sunday 19th November</u> Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>9:30am 6:15pm</p>	<p>People of the Parish <i>Holy Hour for Vocations</i></p>
<p><u>Monday 20th Nov</u> Feria</p>	<p>9:15am</p>	<p>Paul Atkinson <small>RIP</small> (AH)</p>
<p><u>Tuesday 21st Nov</u> Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary <small>Memorial</small></p>	<p>9:15am</p>	<p>People of the Parish</p>
<p><u>Wednesday 22nd Nov</u> St. Cecilia <small>Virgin, Martyr Memorial</small></p>		<p>No Services Today</p>
<p><u>Thursday 23rd Nov</u> Feria</p>	<p>7:00pm</p>	<p>Private Intention</p>
<p><u>Friday 24th Nov</u> St. Andrew Dung-Lac <small>Priest & Companions Martyrs Memorial</small></p>	<p>9:15am 6:15pm</p>	<p>Private Intention <small>(SVP)</small> <i>Lectio Divina</i></p>
<p><u>Saturday 25th Nov</u> St. Catherine of Alexandria <small>Virgin, Martyr Memorial</small> (1st Mass of Sunday)</p>	<p>9:30am 10-11am 6:00pm</p>	<p>Margaret McDonagh <small>nee Halton RIP</small> (MMcD) <i>Exposition, Confessions & Benediction</i> Michael John Kelly <small>RIP</small> (DM)</p>
<p><u>Sunday 26th November</u> Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe</p>	<p>9:30am 6:15pm</p>	<p>Thomas & Patricia McMahan <small>RIP</small> (KF) <i>Holy Hour for Vocations</i></p>

Pope Francis

Every human being, of any people or religion, is sacred, is precious in the eyes of God and has the right to live in peace. Let us not lose hope: let us pray and work tirelessly so that the sense of humanity may prevail over hardness of heart.

This Week's Prayer **CAF+D**

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Make your home in us, Lord Jesus, and enable us to make our home in you, as you told us to do, so that we may bear fruit pleasing to the Father, abundantly.

Church Heating

Annuncio vobis gaudium magnum – **I bring you news of great joy!** Having prepared myself for another cold weekend in the church, to my delight the heating engineer called at 7am on Friday and arranged to come that very day to fix the heating. Therefore, it is my great delight to offer you a **warm welcome** this weekend.

Second Collection

Next weekend, **25th/26th November**, there will be a retiring collection to support the Catholic Youth Services. This important collection helps the Church to provide Catholic retreats, days and events for young Catholics.

Craft & Natter

We meet each **Tuesday, 11am to 3pm** in the Parish Meeting Room. All are welcome to join us. Come for a morning, an afternoon or the whole session; just remember to bring your lunch. 50p will cover refreshments and supplies. For more information call Christine W on 07900604902 for more information.

Pope's Prayer Intention

The Pope's prayer intention for **November** is:- **For the Pope**. We pray for the Holy Father, as he fulfils his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit.

Sick in the Parish

Pray for the sick in the parish, remembering especially:

Marian Mathews, Marie Wilson, Ian Phipps, Sister Ann-Marie, Carol Facer, Oscar Wordsworth, Nichola Woodhall, Paul Corbett, Carmel Fekete, Lynn Stanley, John Green, Roy Allsopp, Janet Chambers, Jo Hawker, Alison Welton, Louise Morgan, Stephen Brook, Margaret Davis, Mary Brough, Joe Bannister, Morris Moseley, Margaret Healy, Juliet Woodhall, Luke Smith, Catherine Shepherd, Jim Smith, David Goodwin, Antonio Bigongiari, Olivia ^(Dotty) Cutler, Ann & Keith Allford, Anna Morgan ^{née Meehan}, Holly Brady, Mike Mander, Jo Cooke, Anne Humphreys, Theresa Chandler, Fr. Paul Chamberlain, Cath Breen, Max Lewis, David & Sheila Piggott, Clare Cooksey & Áine McDonagh.

Please remember also in your prayers those who carry the burden of their illnesses privately and those who care for them.

Diocesan Directory - 2024

The latest Diocesan Directory is now available and can be purchased from Fr. Craig or Dcn. Peter after Mass. £5 per copy.

2024 Missio Calendar

The 2024 Missio Calendar is now available for collection from the tables in the church porch.

Safeguarding Notice

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Mr. Gerry Wintrip. Gerry can be contacted at: sg.smota.aldridge@rcaob.org.uk or the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted at safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk or on 0121 230 6240 if you have any concerns.

Parish Meeting

The next Parish Meeting takes place at on **Thursday 23rd November** in the Parish Meeting Room after the evening Mass. This is an important opportunity for you, the parish, to shape and inform the mission of the parish. Please put this date in your diary and remember to come along.

Urgent Request for a Volunteer(s)

We are in desperate need of a volunteer(s) to help with the mowing of the grass around the church. If you are able, and willing to help, please speak to Dawn M.

Advance Notice Walsall Life

Our Life Annual Fund-Raiser for the Walsall Help Station is on Sunday 3rd December after Mass. We will be looking for support, cakes and raffle prizes.

Journey in Faith

We meet on **Mondays at 6:30pm** during Term-Time in the Parish Meeting Room. This course is open to all members of the parish who are interested in learning more about the faith, and the teachings of the Church. Coming along to these sessions not only helps us to grow in our faith, but it is also an opportunity to support those who are preparing to be received into the Church this Easter.



Children's Liturgy 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.

Parish Christmas Fayre

After the Sunday Morning Mass, on **26th November**, we will be holding our annual Christmas Fayre in the Parish Meeting Room. Each weekend we are ask for donations of different items to be sold in order to raise funds to support the parish. **This weekend we are asking for donation of Chocolate & Cakes** & (Toiletries, Pre-loved Jewellery, Bottles, Good Quality Paperbacks). These can be placed in the box under the table in the porch.

Confirmation Commitment Mass

Next Sunday we welcome the children of Y6 and their parents to Mass as they take the next step on their journey of faith. Please remember to pray for them over the coming weeks as they approach the wonderful Sacrament of Confirmation.

Red Wednesday – 22nd November

If you believe in the power of prayer, imagine the impact of **100.000 decades of the Rosary** prayed devoutly for hundreds of persecuted Christians in Africa – people who have lost homes, jobs and family members in appalling acts of violence and injustice because of their faith in Christ. Whether you pray the Rosary regularly – or from time to time – we are calling on individuals, parishes, schools and groups to be generous with your Rosary pledges and 'storm heaven' for our brothers and sisters in Christ in Africa.

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 21st November

7pm Tuesday 23rd January 2024

7pm Tuesday 26th March

PARABLE OF THE TALENTS

Matthew 25:14-30

PARISH DUTIES THIS WEEKEND: 18TH/19TH NOVEMBER 2023

6:00PM VIGIL MASS	READERS:	Brian L & Gerry W
9:30AM SUNG MASS	MUSIC:	Folk Group
	READERS:	Alice G & Martin B

Duties During the Week: 20TH – 25TH November 2023

CLEANERS:	Team A
FLOWERS:	Sally S & Shelagh G

PARISH DUTIES NEXT WEEKEND: 25TH/26TH NOVEMBER 2023

6:00PM VIGIL MASS	WELCOMERS:	Shelagh G & Anne H
	WARDENS:	Peter H
	READERS:	Cathy S & Hugh D
9:30AM SUNG MASS	MUSIC:	School
	WELCOMERS:	Rossella B & Helen C
	WARDENS:	Pat & Sally S
	READERS:	Will B & Catherine A
COFFEE:	Fran & Margaret R & Sue W	

And finally:- Each person has been given much according to his or her ability. It is never beyond their capability. Therefore, the responsibilities given by God are measured to effectively stretch us and also to fulfil us. God gives it with great trust in our faithfulness and our ability to produce fruits. Sometimes, people find it difficult to recognise their God-given vocation and thus be unable to find fulfilment in what they do. This, of course, can go on for months or years or even a lifetime. Now, this is not just about a religious vocation but more so about faithfully responding to God with the gifts that He has given us. Whilst working for good causes in the society, do we also use our gifts and talents for Christ and His Church? In putting our endeavours in to helping those most in need, we do indeed, give of ourselves to Christ. In these acts of giving, not only do we return to God the "talents" He has entrusted to us, we also multiply them by the fruits we produce.

May God bless you all, Jithin