

CATHOLIC CHURCHES IN BURNTWOOD & BROWNHILLS

(Both parishes are part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham: Registered as a Charity No 234216)

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FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

DATE	TIME/PLACE	INTENTIONS	FEASTS
Sat 7 th January	5.00pm	Christine Rogers RIP	Sunday Vigil
	6.30pm (Brownhills)	Lina, John, David and all the deceased of the Skrodelis Family	
Sun 8 th January	9.00am (Brownhills)	Duggan Service Family (Tea/Coffee after Mass)	FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD
	11.00am	Jeanette Agnew RIP (Tea/Coffee after Mass)	
Mon 9 th January	9.30am	Michael O'Shea RIP (Devotion to St. Joseph after Mass)	Feria
	7.00pm	Rosary	
Tue 10 th January	9.00am (Brownhills)	Intention of Luz (Mass in school)	Feria
	4.00pm	Reception of Jeanette Agnew	
	6.30pm	Youth Group	
Wed 11 th January	11.00am	Funeral Mass of Jeanette Agnew	
	5.30pm	Parents Meeting (First HC)	
	7.00pm	Journey in Faith	
Thu 12 th January	9.15am	All priests (Mass in school)	Feria
	12 noon (Brownhills)	Veronica Cooper RIP (Rosary after Mass)	
	6.00pm	HOLY HOUR	
Fri 13 th January	9.30am	George Derby RIP (Divine Mercy after Mass)	Feria
Sat 14 th January	5.00pm	Auriel Dalley RIP	Sunday Vigil
	6.30pm (Brownhills)	Janina Jagielska RIP	
Sun 15 th January	9.00am (Brownhills)	Baron & Kath Johnson - Family (Tea/Coffee after Mass)	2 ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
	11.00am	David Richards RIP (Tea/Coffee after Mass)	

PLEASE PRAY FOR: The sick and housebound of both parishes. We include all those we know in hospitals, nursing homes and their own homes. May the Lord grant them healing, strength and peace! *If you or your relative(s) who are housebound and would like to have a visit by the clergy or to receive Holy Communion, please let us know.*

SPONSORING SANCTUARY LIGHTS AT ST. JOSEPH'S:

As you may be aware, there are candles which burn perpetually on the sanctuary (Blessed Sacrament) and at the statues of the Sacred Heart and Our Lady. If you'd like one of these to burn in memory of a loved one, or for a particular intention, we are asking for a donation of **£7 per week**. Please put the donation in an envelope marked 'Sanctuary Light Donation', with your particular intention and hand it in to Fr. Linh or the office. The intentions will be published in the weekly newsletter. Candles are lit from Saturday to Saturday.



This week we pray for...

Sanctuary Light:

Dominic Nguyen RIP

Sacred Heart's Light:

Available

Our Lady's Light:

Available

ANNIVERSARIES WITHIN THE WEEK

ST. JOSEPH'S: Mary Small, John Balance, Madeline Southam, Rev John Davies, Iris Brindley, Alfred Litherland, Perina Ward, Martin Shanahan, George Johnstone, Elizabeth Leaver, Doris Mealey, Christine Mulvey-Delaney, James Hooper, Hubert Regan, Iris Hession, Robert Hill, Charles Cosgrove, Dorothy O'Mahoney, Bernadine Tibbenham, Aileen Farley, Bedelia Westwood and Mary Griffiths

ST. BERNADETTE'S: Doris Mealey, Mary Farr, Jennie Costello, Mary Wigley, Bernard Wilkins, Mary Grego, Frank Burton, Brian Pickering, June Mealey and Bernard Madden

DEEPEST SYMPATHY

St. Joseph's: Please pray for the repose of the souls of **Jeanette Agnew** and **Michael Geraghty** who died recently. We extend our deepest sympathy to their families during this difficult time. **Jeanette's** reception into church Tues 10th Jan, 4pm; her funeral Mass Wed 11th Jan, 11am. **Michael's** funeral details will be informed in due course.

JOURNEY IN FAITH

Wednesday evening 7pm. All welcome

“Living the Christian Faith in Today World.”

How can we live the Christian faith in everyday life? What are the common challenges that we meet, and how can we live out our different vocations and grow in holiness and love?

The sessions will start at 7pm with tea, coffee and biscuits. There will be prayer, teaching, discussion and the opportunity to reflect on how we live our faith in the modern world. All welcome.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land 2023

(27th November – 4th December (8 days/ 7 nights), £1,459pp)

This is a joined pilgrimage with the Parish of the Immaculate Conception in Bicester. Booking Forms are available at the back of the Church. For more info:

www.allsaintstravel.co.uk/HLO801

ST. JOSEPH'S

CHURCH FLOWERS: If you'd like to donate for flowers in church for a weekend in loving memory of your loved ones, please put donation and intention note in an envelope and hand it to Fr. Linh. Thank you

PARISH MONTHLY DRAW: Only £5/month to win £150 (1st Prize) every month. The only way to win the prize is to be in the draw. The best way to get your tickets is to set up a standing order so that you won't miss our monthly draw. Please ask Fr. Linh or the office for the form.

ST. JOSEPH'S SOCIAL OUTREACH: We urgently need *nappies sized 3 to 6, baby wipes and ladies hygiene products*. This is to support **SPARKS** - the local family centre. Please put your donations in the box provided in the hall.

WARMER WELCOME IN BURNTWOOD: Church Hall will be opened every **Saturday 1.30pm - 3.30pm**. We do need volunteers to help. If you can, please speak to Carol W, Anne S or Mary K or fill in the calendar at the back of the church. Thank you.

REMEMBERING LOVED ONES IN OUR CHURCH: to have a memorial plaque with the name(s) of our loved one(s) bonded to the interior church wall, please contact Dave King 07831 858443 or glynn.king1@ntlworld.com. Forms are also at the back of the church.

SUNDAY CHOIR: We do need more members. If you'd like to join, please come along. "The one who sings prays twice" (St. Augustine)

YOUTH GROUP Tuesday 10th January at 6.30pm. All are welcome from Years 6 & 7. Arrivals from 6.15pm. Cost £1. Every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month. Volunteers to help would be welcomed.

PRAYER EVENING FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY: organised by *Churches Together In Burntwood* on Wednesday 18th January at 7.30pm. St Anne's Church, Chasetown. All welcome!

Financial Information

Church	St. Joseph's	St. Bernadette's
1st (loose)	£184.37	£76.27
1st (GA)	£164.00	£114.00
2nd Col (Parishes Maintenance)	£105.55	£32.65
	£48.10(GA)	£0(GA)
S0	£549	£175
Total	£897.37	£365.27
Attended	163 (Sat & Sun)	54 (Sat & Sun)

ST. BERNADETTE'S

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50/50 CLUB: It is time to buy your 50/50 club numbers again, or perhaps even consider purchasing an extra one or two numbers for this year? **All members need to be paid up by the end of January.** We need to sell a minimum number of tickets for the draw to run, but thereafter all profits go toward church funds. With better odds of winning than matching 4 numbers in the national lottery, it is a great way to support our parish! Anne will be at church after weekend Masses to sell tickets and to answer your further questions.

'OPEN THE BOOK': Open the Book (OtB) offers primary school children an opportunity to hear key Bible stories told by a team of Christians from local churches. If you are interested in and want to help, please speak to Vincent Service who is a member of the OtB.

CHILDREN LITURGY: at 9am Mass every Sunday. Please encourage your children to go to Mass on Sundays and join in this session. Thank you

THANK YOU: Thank you all for your support to buy stars and tickets for Christmas Raffle. We raised **£75.70** (stars) and **£54** (raffle tickets) for the parish. Thank you.

VOLUNTEERS: We do need more volunteers to help in our parish. If you are able to help in any way, please let us know: to read at a weekend Mass, to clean the church, to do flowers, to count weekend collection, to welcome and hand out Hymn/Mass Books...

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

(by Pope St. John Paul II)

Lord Jesus, as once you called the first disciples and made them fishers of men, continue to let resound today Your sweet invitation: "Come and follow me."

Grant to men and women in our day the grace and trust to respond to Your voice.

Sustain our bishops, priests and consecrated souls in their apostolic work.

Give perseverance to our seminarians and to all those living a life of total consecration to Your service.

Enkindle in our communities a missionary zeal.

Send, Lord, workers into Your fields to feed and guide Your flock as Good Shepherds in imitation of You.

Mary, Mother of the Church, Model of Vocations, help us to say "Yes" to the Lord who calls each one of us to play our part in His plan of salvation. Amen.

CONFESSION: available during Holy Hour on Thursdays 6pm (St. Joseph's) or by appointment.

BAPTISM: Forms are available on the table at the back of the church, please take home to complete and return it to Fr. Linh, more arrangements to follow.

MARRIAGE: Please contact Fr. Linh for information and details at least 6 months before the intended wedding day.

LOURDES DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE: from Saturday 27 May to Friday 2 June 2023 Volunteer your skills to look after our Accueil (assisted) pilgrims on next year's Diocesan Pilgrimage. Applications to join the Lourdes Nursing and Medical Team or the Handmaids and Brancardiers for the 2023 Diocesan Pilgrimage are now open. To apply or to book your place, <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/news/medical-and-non-medical-volunteer-applications-now-open-for-lourdes-2023>

PARISH RECORDS: Please return the completed form to the presbytery or parish office or place it in the box at the back the church. Your details will be kept secure within the parish and will not be passed on to any third party. Thank you.

LICHFIELD REPAIR AND SHARE CAFÉ: at St Joseph's (10-1pm, 1st Sat of each month) No charge to attend but donations appreciated to help cover costs. If you have a 'skill' to offer then get in touch with the organisers or go along to a session.

PARISH GIVING: The best way to support our parishes financially is by setting up a Standing Order using the following bank details:

St. Joseph's: NatWest Bank, Account No: 25205439, Sort Code: 53-70-15

St. Bernadette's: NatWest Bank, Account No: 24003360, Sort Code: 52-21-00

If you don't have internet banking and want to sign up for Standing Order, please ask Fr. Linh or the parish office for the form. Thank you for your support to our parishes.

∇. The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary,

℟. And she conceived of the Holy Spirit. *Hail Mary...*

∇. Behold the handmaid of the Lord.

℟. Be it done unto me according to thy word. *Hail Mary...*

∇. And the Word was made flesh.

℟. And dwelt among us. *Hail Mary...*

∇. Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God.

℟. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray: Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts; that we, to whom the Incarnation of Christ Thy Son, was made known by the message of an angel, may by His Passion and Cross, be brought to the glory of His Resurrection. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen. May the Divine Assistance remain always with us. And may the souls of all the faithful departed, through the Mercy of God, rest in Peace. Amen.

*The
Angelus
Prayer*