



YEAR FOR PRIESTS

Please pray for the following priests of the diocese: Fr Joseph McKenna, Canon Mgr. Patrick McKinney, Fr Joseph McLoughlin, Fr Paul McNally, Fr Louis McRae, Canon Sean McTernan, Fr David Mead.

PRAYER FOR PRIESTS

Heavenly Father, grant that our priests be strengthened and healed by the power of the Eucharist they celebrate. May the Word they proclaim give them courage and wisdom. We pray that all those whom they seek to serve may see in them the love and care of Jesus, our Eternal High Priest, who is Lord for ever and ever. Amen

Our Lady, Mother of priests, pray for us. Saint John Vianney, pray for us.

PARISH GROUPS

Rosary Group: Mondays after Mass

Women's Christian Union: Thursdays at 9.15am

SVP: meets alternate Wednesdays at 2.30pm. Contact Jackie Perry 684582

CAFOD group: meets monthly

Choir: 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7.45pm

Guild of St Stephen (Servers): meets last Saturday of the month at 9am

Adoration: Thursdays 8—8.30pm

Play Group & Nursery: contact Ann King on 671356

Living Stones Prayer Group: meets alternate Tuesdays at 7.30pm

Youth Club: 1st Friday of the month at 7.30pm

PARISH INFORMATION

St Joseph's Parish Office: Office hours: Weds & Fri 10am-3.30pm

Hall Bookings: contact Mrs Pat Greene in the Parish Office 686266

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat 4pm or by appointment

Sacrament of Baptism: Sunday 11.30am

Sacrament Marriage: By Appointment

SUNDAY MASS TIMES IN NEIGHBOURING PARISHES

Brownhills St Bernadette: Sat 6.30pm, Sun 10am

Cannock SS Mary & Thomas More: Sat 6.15pm, Sun 8am, 10.30am

Hednesford Our Lady of Lourdes: Sun 9.30am, 5.30pm

Lichfield Holy Cross: Sun 8.30am, SS Peter & Paul Sat 6pm, Sun 11am

Rugeley SS Joseph & Etheldreda: Sat 7pm, Sun 11am, 6.30pm

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH NEWS

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This parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham and registered as a charity. Number 234216



MASS TIMES

Week beginning Sunday 24th January 2009

Sunday Cycle: Year C; Weekday Cycle: Year II

Third Sunday of the Year

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| Saturday | 5pm | Mass | <i>People of the Parish</i> |
| Sunday | 10am | Mass | <i>Helen Magulska</i> |

Weekday Services

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| Monday | 7pm | Mass | <i>Tom Salt</i> |
| Tuesday | 9.15am | Mass (infants, in school) | <i>Alan Morgan</i> |
| Wednesday | 12pm | Mass | <i>Margaret Corbishley</i> |
| Thursday | 7.30pm | The Word, Holy Communion & Adoration | |
| Friday | 9.15am | Mass | <i>John Lally</i> |

Fourth Sunday of the Year

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| Saturday | 5pm | Mass | <i>Thomas Phillips</i> |
| Sunday | 10am | Mass | <i>People of the Parish</i> |

PRAYER TO ST JOSEPH

O Blessed St Joseph, Patron of the Universal Church, extend to all God's children the care you showed to the Holy Family in Nazareth and pray for us as we gather to celebrate the Eucharist. Guide & protect all the people of our parish and make the light of Christ shine among us so that His Kingdom may be established in our midst. Amen.

FINANCE

FIRST COLLECTION: Gift Aid £135 Loose £306.20 Total £441.20
SECOND COLLECTIONS: Last Sunday: Pax Christi £282.06
this Sunday: Cafod (Haiti earthquake) / next Sunday: Church Maintenance

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Those who have died recently: Fr James McInerney, Canon Mgr. Tom Gavin, Kathleen Longbottom, Joan Ward, Paul Twyman

Those whose anniversaries occur this week: Margaret Lucy Arnold, Christopher James Watters, John Slade, Frances Ashley, Thomas Phillips, Peter Marie Lefaucheur, Frances Dilcock, Petros Milauskas, Sylvester Lauri Ward, Thomas Jeffers

*Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace. Amen*

Those preparing for the sacraments of Reconciliation & Holy Communion: Daniel Cartwright, Charlie Davies, Joshua Dunn, Jack Dunning, Karina Falco, Jemima Gartshore, Molly Hassell, Joshua Levell, Connor Mander, Todd Marshall, Kien O'Donnell, Niamh Simpkins, Sam Whitehouse

Those preparing for the sacrament of Confirmation: Jamie Campbell, Bradley Cantrill, Lucy Cartwright, Bethany Cunningham, Bradley Dunn, Emily Galvin, Henry Gardner, Yasmin Herd, Christo

pher Ilsley, Joe Ireson, Courtney Jordan, Dominique Levell, James Malley, Kay Marshall, Sam McCabe, Rosie Nugent, Niamh Poole, Isobel Richards, Lucy Richards, Bethany Simpkins, Jessica Smith, Samuel Tapper, Darryl Worth

The sick & housebound: Betty Bardell, Christopher Brown, Nikki Carr, Pauline & Ken Chaplain, Arthur Clissett, Joan Coley, Maura Connelly, Anne Corfield, Teresa Cormican, Auriel Dalley, Fr Brendan Donlan, Mary Elliot, Janet Evans, Gertrude Farrell, Stuart Frost, Olga Grant, Pat Greene, Jill Gutteridge, Geoff Harris, Tracy Holland, Catherine & Len Holloway, Charlotte Hughes, Mary Hughes, Josie Kimberly, Lorraine Macbeth, Kay McCulloagh, Lily McGrath, Michael McGowan, Tracy McGregor, Amy McKeon, Anita McLean, Diane Meddings, Paul Robert Moffat, Daniel Moody, Ricardo Morcillo, Vincent Morgan, Betty Myatt, Elsie Norman, Maureen Parker, Bob Preston, Bernadette Samongie, Tony Scott, Derrick Stone, Jenny Summerfield, Linda, Andy & Bethany Sutton, Margaret Trickett, Matthew Waterfield, Thelma Waters, Winnie Williams, Jean Winsper, Maureen Withy.



The Word This Week

After our brief excursion last week into Saint John's Gospel, we are back on track this week with Saint Luke - whom we will follow for the rest of the year. Today is about beginnings: the beginning of Jesus' public ministry. It begins with the Word of God, in the synagogue. Jesus reads from the Old Testament, as we do every Sunday, and tells the people that it is fulfilled in him. Everything that God has said to his people, through his prophets, comes together in Jesus, the Incarnate Word of God. Today is an ideal Sunday to think about the ministry of reader - about how as readers we make present the same fulfilment, Jesus, when we read the word of God in our Churches

GENERAL NOTICES

CATHOLIC QUESTION TIME

Last week's answer: The feast that is celebrated forty days after Christmas is the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, also called Candlemas. **This week's question:** Who, according to tradition, is believed to have composed the Psalms?

ROSARY GROUP: The next house rosary will be held on Jan 25th at 38 Highfields Road, Chasetown. All welcome.

JOURNEY IN FAITH: The next meeting will be on Monday 1 February at 7.30pm

QUIZ: We will be participating in a quiz in aid of St Giles Hospice on Sunday 28 February, 11.30am—2pm. This will be taking place in 1000 locations across the Midlands to raise money for their new in-patient care centre. There will also be a second collection the weekend before. If you would like to come please sign up as teams on the list at the back of church.

LIVING STONES: Next meeting Tuesday 2 Feb at 7.30pm in the school chapel.

PARISH MAGAZINE: Magazine subscriptions for this year are now due. If you haven't already done so, will you please write your name on one of the envelopes provided and enclose £4. Leave your completed envelope in the box. Thank you. First edition of magazine will be February.

YOUTH CLUB: Next meeting on Friday 5 February at 7.30pm

DINERS' CLUB: Friday February 12 meeting at the Rag from 7pm. Please sign the list at the back of church if you would like to come.

OSCOTT: During the Year for Priests, all are invited to Sung Evening Prayer & Benediction at Oscott College on Sunday evenings at 6.30pm from Jan 31. The main chapel doors will be open from 6.15pm to 7.10pm.