



## YEAR FOR PRIESTS

Please pray for the following priests of the diocese: Fr Thomas Meagher, Fr James Mealy, Fr David Mellor, Fr Timothy Menezes, Fr Nazarius Mugungwe, Fr Patrick Mileham, Fr Norman Millard

## 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.

## PARISH GROUPS

**Rosary Group:** Mondays after Mass

**Women's Christian Union:** Thursdays at 9.15am

**SVP:** meets alternate Wednesdays at 2.30pm

**CAFOD group:** meets monthly

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

**Guild of St Stephen (Altar Servers):** last Sat of the month at 9am

**Play Group & Nursery:** contact Ann King on 671356

**Living Stones Prayer Group:** meets alternate Tuesdays in school mchapel at 7.30pm

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

**Diners' Club:** meets monthly

**Men's Breakfast:** 1st Saturday of the month 8.30am

## PARISH INFORMATION

**Parish Office:** Pat Greene & Maureen Barnes, office hours: Weds & Fri 10am-3pm

**Gift Aid Organiser:** Angela Thompson

**Child Protection:** Pauline Lamer

**Parish Magazine:** Margaret Taylor

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Sat 4pm or by appointment

**Sacrament of Baptism:** Sunday 11.30am

**Sacrament Marriage:** By Appointment

**Adoration:** Thursdays 8-8.30pm & as announced

## 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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## MASS TIMES

**Week beginning Sunday 31st January 2009**

Sunday Cycle: Year C; Weekday Cycle: Year II

### Fourth Sunday of the Year

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

### Weekday Services

Monday	7pm	Mass	<i>Alan Morgan</i>
Tuesday	9.15am	Mass (Y5, in school)	<i>John Ray</i>
Wednesday	12pm	Mass	<i>John Lally</i>
Thursday	7.30pm	The Word, Holy Communion & Adoration	
Friday	9.15am	Mass	<i>Billy Ryan</i>
Saturday	10am	First Confessions	

### Fifth Sunday of the Year

Saturday	5pm	Mass	<i>Dennis Walters</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 £210.36 Loose £233.03 **Total £443.39**

**SECOND COLLECTIONS:** Last Sunday: Cafod (Haiti earthquake) £1619.51  
this Sunday: Catholic Education Council / next Sunday: Church Maintenance

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY**

## PLEASE PRAY FOR

**Those who have died recently:** Rev Rolf Hjorth, Fr James McNerney, Canon Mgr. Tom Gavin, Kathleen Longbottom, Joan Ward, Paul Twyman

**Those whose anniversaries occur this week:** Daniel Morris, Daniel O'Mahoney, Brian Clive Bishop, Christopher Clark, Michael Jeffers, Margaret Mary Jones, Alice Young, Michael Coughlan, Cecelia Agnes Neenan.

*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

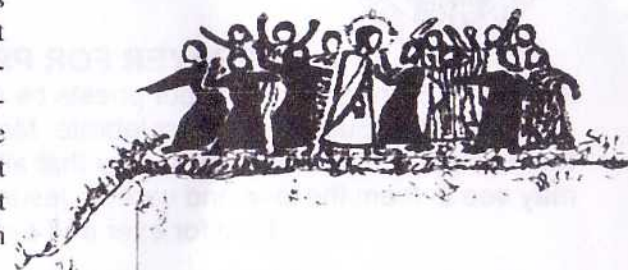
**Those preparing for the sacrament of Confirmation:** Jamie Campbell, Bradley Cantrill, Lucy Cartwright, Bethany Cunningham, Bradley Dunn, Emily Galvin, Henry Gardner, Yasmin Herd, Christo

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

Last week, when Jesus spoke in the synagogue, his words pleased the crowd - as we hear at the beginning of today's Gospel. How quickly the mood changes! This story shows very clearly that Jesus was not a "crowd-pleaser" - he wasn't interested in saying the right things to be popular or accepted. He was interested in the truth - which is the basic definition of a prophet - whatever the personal cost. So today, when Jesus points out that salvation is not just for the Jews, or even just the people of Nazareth, they reject the message and the messenger. Just like Jeremiah, when he was called to be a prophet (first reading), Jesus has to confront the land: they will fight with him, but not overcome him.



## GENERAL NOTICES

### CATHOLIC QUESTION TIME

**Last week's answer:** The author of the Psalms is traditionally believed to be King David **This week's question:** What special blessing takes place on the feast of St Blaise (3 Feb)?

**ROSARY GROUP:** 8pm at 101 Springhill Road, Burntwood. 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.

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

**MEN'S BREAKFAST:** Saturday 6 February at 8.30am

**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.

**SHROVE TUESDAY:** There will be pancakes in the hall from 6.30pm on Tuesday 16 February. All welcome.

**HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE:** There will be a meeting here at St Joseph's for those who are going to the Holy Land in August on Fri 23 April at 7.30pm