



YEAR FOR PRIESTS

Please pray for the following priests of the diocese: Fr Philip Newbold, Fr David Newell, Canon Michael Neylon, Fr Peter Nguyen Tie Dac, Fr Joseph Nguyen Van Tien, Fr Guy Nichols, Fr John Nightingale

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 at 8pm
- 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
- Music Group:** contact Julie Train
- 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 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 Larner
- 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 21st February 2010

Sunday Cycle: Year C; Weekday Cycle: Year II

First Sunday of Lent

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

Weekday Services

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| Monday | 7pm | Mass & Rosary | <i>Dorothy Hurley</i> |
| Tuesday | No Service | | |
| Wednesday | No Service | | |
| Thursday | No Service | | |
| Friday | 12pm | Mass | <i>Jaqueline Elizabeth Yorke</i> |
| | 7pm | Stations of the Cross | |

Second Sunday of Lent

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| Saturday | 5pm | Mass | <i>Feliks Rietz</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.

The Word This Week

As with each First Sunday of Lent the Gospel tells of Jesus' temptation in the wilderness; as we begin the journey of Lent, during which we will consider our lives as members of the Church, we look to the example of Jesus when it comes to dealing with temptation. Choosing to follow God's path is the first characteristic of the Christian: this is underlined in the two other readings, which outline the two "creeds" or statements of belief - one of Israel and one of the Christian. Both of them emphasise "believing in the heart and confessing with the lips": both creeds underline the Salvation that God has achieved - for Israel it was freedom from Egypt, for the Christian freedom from death in Jesus.



PRAYER INTENTIONS

Those who have died recently: Sylvester Kevin Saxon, Maureen Hinbest, Peter Bishop, Rev Rolf Hjorth, Fr James McInerney, Canon Mgr. Tom Gavin, Kathleen Longbottom, Joan Ward, Paul Twyman

Those whose anniversaries occur this week: Arthur Ernest Averill, Ellen Elizabeth Taylor, Michael McGovern, Pauline Jenkins, Marie Josephine Berrington, Bridget Williams, Keith Evans, Jane Elizabeth Cartwright

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

Those preparing for the sacrament of 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, Christopher 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.

FINANCE

FIRST COLLECTION: Gift Aid £213.37 Loose £280.56 **Total £493.93**
SECOND COLLECTIONS: Last Sunday: Mary's Meals: £322.07
this Sunday: St Giles Hospice / next Sunday: Cafod Family Fast

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

GENERAL NOTICES

CATHOLIC QUESTION TIME

Last week's answer: Lent comes from the old English word for Spring, meaning the lengthening of days. **This week's question:** What is the difference between fasting and abstinence?

YOUNG MEN: There is going to be a retreat for 14 to 17 year olds at Oscott College, Sat 13—Sun 14 March for those who may consider the priesthood in the future. Please see Fr Patrick for details

ROSARY GROUP: During Lent, there will be Rosary & Benediction on Monday evenings in church, straight after Mass.

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

JOURNEY IN FAITH: The next meeting will be on Monday 22 February at 7.30pm

ALTON CASTLE RETREAT WEEKEND: B'ham Catholic Youth Service is organising a retreat weekend for young people Yrs 5-9, March 12-14, £65 inc. food & accommodation, eating & sleeping in the castle, activities include climbing, trekking, cycling. Info at www.bcys.co.uk or diocesan area youth officer Peter Lucas 07971643648

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 inpatient 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.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: On the Fridays of Lent at 7pm, various groups connected with the parish will be leading the Stations: 26 Feb: CAFOD; 5 March: Spirit of Truth; 12 March: Rosary; 19 March: Guild of St Stephen; 26 March: Living Stones

CJM CONCERT: CJM are holding a concert here in church on the evening of Sunday 7 March. Tickets will be available shortly.

DINERS' CLUB: Next meeting on Fri 19 March. 7.30 for 8pm at The Boat. Please sign the list at the back of church.