

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.

PARISH GROUPS

Rosary Group: Mondays after Mass

SVP: meets alternate Wednesdays at 2.30pm.

CAFOD group: meets monthly

Music Group: contact Julie Train

Bereavement Group: contact Maureen Barnes

Guild of St Stephen (altar servers): last Sat of the month at 9am

Play Group & Nursery: contact Ann King on 671356

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: Maureen Barnes & Cath Nugent, office hours: Weds & Fri 10am-3pm

Gift Aid Organiser: Angela Thompson

Child Protection: Breda Helm

Parish Magazine: Margaret Taylor / Tony Hayward

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat 4pm or by appointment

Sacrament of Baptism: after Mass on Sundays

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 5.30pm, 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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FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Week beginning Sunday 28 November 2010
Sundays Year A; Weekdays Year 1; Psalter Week 1

Sunday 28 November

5pm (Sat)
10am

First Sunday of Advent

Mass
Mass

*People of the Parish
Les & Paul Twyman*

Monday 29 November

7pm

Monday of Advent

Mass & Rosary

*Joan Taylor &
George Williamson*

Tuesday 30 November

9.15am

St Andrew

Mass (in school, Y3)

Charlotte Hughes

Wednesday 1 December

7pm

St Edmund Campion

Mass

Pat Greene

Thursday 2 December

7pm

Thursday of Advent

Mass

Christine Conway

Friday 3 December

12pm

St Francis Xavier

Mass

Anne Hughes

Saturday 4 December

10am

1pm

4pm

St John Damascene

Mass (Latin)

Baptism

Confessions

*The Corfield family
Juliet Rose Walker*

Sunday 5 December

5pm (Sat)

10am

Second Sunday of Advent

Mass

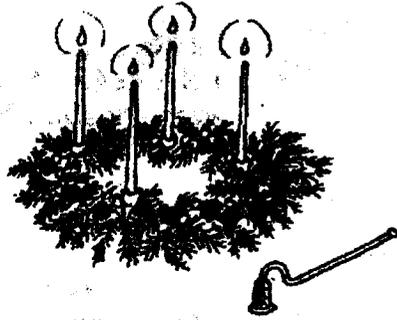
Mass

*Joe & Queenie Kelly
People of the Parish*

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

THE WORD THIS WEEK

Advent opens with a great promise: "In the days to come..." the hope of a people who need God. "...The master is coming" is also a promise, not a threat to breed fear, but to answer our cry. So Advent begins, not with thoughts of the past, with the coming of the Lord we celebrate at Christmas, but with the future, and the promise that He is coming back. We are encouraged to stay awake, and treat every day as the day the Lord will come; we do not do this out of fear for a Master who beats his servants, but out of love of a Master who always treats us with mercy. Nevertheless we must always be watchful, because we can grow sleepy and complacent, saying that we can leave this prayer or that confession or the other change in the way we live to tomorrow. Even as we look forward to the tomorrow of the Lord's coming, we must remember that it might be today!



PLEASE PRAY FOR

Those who have died recently: Winnie Williams, Betty Bardell, John Anthony Stokes, Charlotte Hughes, Margaret Rowe, Teresa Cormican, Pat Greene, Harvey Joseph Lowe, Margaret Thomas

Those whose anniversaries occur this week: Gladys Wilkins, William Francis Hurmson, Alice Lefaucheur, George Alfred Edwards, Richard Paul Gartside, George Williamson, Roy Ward, Leslie Ernest Twyman, Veronica Mary Greatrex, Margaret Hurmson, Edwin Adcock.

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

The sick & housebound: Sheila Appleton (nee Levell), Chris Austin, Teresa Averill, Christopher Brown, Nikki Carr, Pauline & Ken Chaplain, Joan Coley, Anne Corfield, Auriel Dalley, Janet Evans, Stuart Frost, Olga Grant, Jill Gutteridge, Tracy Holland, Mary Hughes, Dorothy Hurley, Josie Kimberly, Lorraine Macbeth, 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, Patrick Ryan, Bernadette Samongie, Tony Scott, Derrick Stone, Linda, Andy & Bethany Sutton, Margaret Trickett, Matthew Waterfield, Thelma Waters, Jean Winsper, Maureen Withy

GENERAL NOTICES

CATHOLIC QUESTION TIME

Last week's answer: The first king of Israel was Saul.

This week's question: Who is the patron saint of refugees & asylum seekers?

ADVENT: The Walk with Me prayer books & calendars are now available at the back of church. The books are £1 each.

RCIA / JOURNEY IN FAITH: Next meeting Thurs Dec 2nd in the Parish Hall at Our Lady of Lourdes, Hednesford.

YOUTH GROUP: (Yr 6 upwards) Fri 3 December, 7.30pm

WINTER BALL: The Friends of St Joseph & St Theresa's Primary School invite you to a Winter Ball at the Rugby Club on Sat 4 Dec at 7.30pm. Tickets £10 (includes buffet) available from school.

SENIOR CITIZENS CHRISTMAS PARTY: Cardinal Griffin Catholic High School will be holding this annual event on Friday 10 December, 1.30pm-2.45pm. Guests are asked not to arrive before 1.15. Please let Fr Patrick or the parish office know if you wish to go.

QUIZ NIGHT: Fundraiser for Guild of St Stephen: Sat 11 Dec in the Parish hall. Tickets available nearer the time.

BOOKS: The Cafod group want to set up a parish bookstall & are appealing for books. Faith books very welcome but anything considered as long as it's suitable! We would be grateful if you could bring them to church & leave in the box at the back. We propose a 50p borrowing charge for funds.

CAROL SERVICE: The Primary School will be holding it's carol service here in church on Weds 15 Dec at 7pm.

HOLY LAND REUNION: There will be a reunion at Burton for all who came on the pilgrimage to the Holy Land this summer on Saturday 29 January at 7.30pm.

WINE: If anyone would like to buy their wine from Bethlehem this Christmas, the information is on the red notice board at the back of church. Please take one of the leaflets if interested.

CONFESSIONS IN ADVENT:

RUGELEY: Mon 30 Nov 7pm

BURNTWOOD: Sat 18 Dec 6pm

LICHFIELD: Tue 21 Dec 7.30pm

FINANCE

Collection 20-21 Nov: £426.10 (gift aid: £121.15 loose £304.95)

Second collections: last Sunday: Youth Service £285.51

this Sunday: Church Maintenance

next Sunday: Birmingham children's hospital

Christmas appeal

Sunday refreshments: Next week Margaret & Pete Taylor

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY