

## ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCHES OF WALSALL

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St. Mary's The Mount Parish Family Wishes You All A Warm Welcome

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Fr. Christogonus SDV,

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### SETTING UP A NEW YEAR

Happy New Year to everyone! We all know that this present year, both in the civil and liturgical calendar, has not given us an experience of being fully emerged or being involved physically, as many great events have not been able to be celebrated in public.

However, it should not discourage us. We need to move forward and continue full of faith in following the Lord. This first Sunday of Advent marks the start of a new liturgical calendar. It is highlighted with an ambiance of joyful anticipation of the coming of our Lord and Saviour into the world and, at the same time, a further looking forward on its eschatological dimension, that is as we remember at the present moment Jesus' coming into the world in the sense of dwelling among us through the mystery of Incarnation we are also being ushered to the very realisation of Jesus' Second Coming of which we need also to have the ambiance of joyful anticipation being coupled by vigilance and perseverance. That is why, as we set forth on this new liturgical celebration and calendar, our Gospel reading constantly reminds us to be always on our guard and to stay awake, because we do not know the exact time or hour of the master's return; we do not know the exact time or hour of the coming back of our Lord and Saviour. Likewise, as we begin setting up or setting forth, let us not forget to be thankful to God for everything, despite the not so wonderful happenings taking place all over the world, and yet let us continue to be thankful and grateful for

everything. Let us be thankful or grateful that until now we are still keeping up the faith. Let us still be thankful or grateful that until this present moment we are being preserved from the different maladies happening around. In everything let us be thankful or grateful to God. However, as we set forth and begin setting up let us not also forget to ask God to continually guide and inspire us because of the many uncertainties that could happen along the way or as the year is going to pass.

Therefore, this year could be an awful one and yet let us continue to be always on guard and stay awake in joyful anticipation, as we all together look forward to the coming of our Lord and Saviour full of faith and trust in Him that no matter how uncertain what lies ahead we also know ever since that He will never ever abandon us.

*May God bless us all!*



- **Parish Contributions:** Standing orders: **£686**. The value of your donations is increased when it is gift aided. Many thanks for your generosity. **Counting: Next Sunday – Team D.**
- **Reopening of Church:** Our church will reopen on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> December for Holy Masses, funerals, baptisms and weddings, in accordance with the government guidelines. **Please note the changes to Mass times from that date onwards.** Once again, we will be operating a booking system for weekend Masses; you will be able to make a booking online or by telephone. *All Masses will continue to be live streamed for the foreseeable future.*
- **Advent:** We begin the season of Advent this weekend. We know that we will be looking forward to a different Christmas this year, but we will ensure that we still hold meaningful and safe celebrations. In preparation for Christmas, we are planning to hold our **Advent Retreat on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> December**. If permitted to do so, it will take place in church. If not, we will make arrangements to meet through Zoom. More details will follow soon.
- **RIP:** Please pray for the soul of Ken Towe, who died on 20<sup>th</sup> November. May he rest in peace. The funeral will take place in our church on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December at 2:30pm, followed by cremation at Sandwell Valley Crematorium. Please keep Ken’s wife, Maggie, and all the family in your prayers.
- **Ordinations:** Many of you will remember Br. Antonius, who was with us a few years ago, and also Br. Michael, who spent last summer in our parish. Br. Antonius will be ordained as a deacon on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> December, in Italy, and Br. Michael (who was ordained deacon earlier this year) will be ordained as a priest on the same day. Please keep both of them in your prayers.
- **RCIA Programme 2020-2021:** We look forward to resuming our sessions on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December at 7:45pm.
- **2021 Directory of Birmingham Archdiocese & Christmas Cards:** This is now available to purchase from our Piety Stall.
- **Free Logs Available:** If anyone has an open fire or a log burner, there are some free logs available, ready for a lovely, crackling Christmas fire! If you are interested, please contact one of the priests and arrange collection.
- **Job Vacancy - Chief Operating Officer (Archdiocese of Birmingham):** Working closely with the Archbishop, Area Bishops and the Vicar General, the COO is responsible for the lay workforce, and the financial and property resources involved in providing administrative services in fulfilment of the Mission of the Catholic Church in the Diocese, primarily through the provision of support to parishes. If interested, please visit the website for further details: <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/> The deadline for applications is 9am on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December.
- **Decree on the Conclusion of the COLLECTS of the Roman Missal**  
 According to the Decree of the Catholic Bishops Conference of England & Wales on 9<sup>th</sup> November 2020, has decided to delete “one” from the conclusion of the Collect prayers of the Roman Missal, and that this change would come into effect from the First Sunday of Advent 2020. For detailed explanation, please refer to the parish website.  
 The second part of n. 54 in the General Instruction of the Roman Missal is to be adjusted as follows:
  - If the prayer is directed to the Father: **Through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever;**
  - If the prayer is directed to the Father, but the Son is mentioned at the end: **Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever;**
  - If the prayer is directed to the Son: **Who lives and reigns with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.**

**Mass Times:** *As per Government guidelines, churches are now closed for Holy Masses and other forms of public worship, except funerals till 2<sup>nd</sup> of December. However, we will continue to live stream all Masses and we encourage everyone to join us through live streaming.*

**LIVE STREAMING SCHEDULE**

**MON – SAT:** 6.30pm - Holy Rosary  
 7.00pm - Holy Mass

**SUNDAY:** 10.30am - Eucharistic Adoration & Divine Mercy  
 11.00am - Holy Mass

**Live Streaming Channels:**

**Facebook: Stmarys Mount**

**YouTube: St Mary’s the Mount Walsall**

**Please refer to the parish website for information about baptisms, weddings and funerals.**

The Prayer for Spiritual Communion

*My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.*

Prayer at the Time of Distress

*Merciful God come to the help of your people. Be our shelter in this time of peril and strengthen the bonds of our community. Bring healing to all who suffer the ravages of disease and assist those whose skill and art can put an end to this affliction. Through Christ our Lord.*

Prayer for Vocations

*Divine Jesus, Son of the Eternal Father and Mary Immaculate, grant us and all the faithful true generosity in following your call and bestow on us the grace of your Holy Spirit to persevere in overcoming all obstacles to our vocations. Give the church in our Diocese and throughout the world many holy priests, fervent religious and committed lay people. Through the intercession of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary, all the Angels, Blessed Justin and all Saints, we humbly ask you to hear our prayers and multiply the ministries by which we may serve You and one another in faith and love. Amen. Hail Mary.....*

Prayer after Communion

*“O my God and my all, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, may your will be done, your love reign, your glory shine always more in me and in everyone as in yourself, O my God and my all.”* *Bl. Fr. Justin*



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Date	Time	Church/Place	Mass Intention	Offered By
Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup>	6:30pm 7:00pm	St. Mary's Live Streaming	Holy Rosary Deceased of the Gerrett Family	Kath Gerrett
Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup> <i>First Sunday of Advent</i>	10:30am 11:00am	St. Mary's Live Streaming	Adoration & Divine Mercy Len Highland & Daniel – <i>IH</i> Deceased of Baker & McGeough Families	Hilary Deirdre Powell
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> St. Andrew <i>Apostle</i>	6:30pm 7:00pm	St. Mary's Live Streaming	Holy Rosary Maxine & Alfred - <i>RIP</i>	Hilary
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> December St. Edmund <i>Campion, Martyr</i>	6:30pm 7:00pm	St. Mary's Live Streaming	Holy Rosary Special Intention Ken Towe	D'Silva Family Sheila & John Parker
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	6:30pm 7:00pm	St. Mary's Live Streaming	Holy Rosary John Holland	M Holland
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> St. Francis Xavier <i>Apostle</i>	10:00am	St. Mary's	Holy Mass	
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> St. John Damascene <i>Priest</i> First Friday	6:15pm 7:00pm	St. Mary's St. Mary's	Confession	
Saturday 5 <sup>th</sup> St. Birinus, <i>Bishop</i>	10:00am 10:30am 5:30pm	St. Mary's St. Mary's St. Mary's	Adoration & Confession Vigil Mass	
Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup> <i>Second Sunday of Advent</i>	9:00am 11:00am	St. Mary's St. Mary's		

*C=Conversion, RIP=Rest in Peace, DA=Death Anniversary, S=Sick, B=Birthday, TH=Thanksgiving, WB=Well-Being, H=Healing, SI=Special Intention, PC=Parish Centre, M=Marriage, WA=Wedding Anniversary, Ch=Church, MV=Maryvale, SCH=School, BD=Beechdale, BP=Baptism*

**Let us pray for those who are sick:**

Lorraine Darby, Mavourneen Smith, Marie Hornblower, Judith Dunthorne, Patricia Davies, Angela Gonsalves, Margaret Powell, Matthew McGill, Dr. Petroc Willey, Lee Chit Wei, Margaret Abbot, Susan Naughton, Mrs K Carter, Carol Callaghan, Jo Baker, Mrs Small, Peter Corrigan, Josie Kelleher, Gilbert Wilkes, Doris White.