

Good News!

24th February 2019 • Seventh Sunday of the Year

Welcome to everyone at Mass today, especially if you are new to our church or haven't been to Mass for some time. Practising Catholics, clear in conscience that they are properly prepared, may receive **holy communion**. Others are invited to come forward for a **blessing**. If so, please place your hand on your heart to indicate this to the priest, deacon or minister.



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Masses, Intentions & other services

Check mass intentions online at bit.ly/mass-intentions

24th February • 7th Sunday • Kindness

Sat 23 5pm Kevin Smith RIP
Sun 24 8am Andrew Gill RIP
10.30am Maria Luisa Egerton RIP

Mon 25 9.30am at Our Lady of Lourdes, Hednesford

Tue 26 9.15am Christopher Morley RIP

Wed 27 9.15am Doris Stanton RIP (School mass)

Thu 28 9.15am Harold and John Goode RIP
1.45pm Holy Souls (at St Thomas More School)

Fri 1 9.15am Norma Rowley RIP

Sat 2 10am Marian (Marie) Murray RIP

3rd March • 8th Sunday • Action

Sat 2 5pm Muriel Wanglin RIP
Sun 3 8am Floss & Joe Hodgkiss RIP
10.30am John Taylor RIP (anniversary)

Saints & Holy Days Thurs, St Oswald (Bishop); Fri, St David; Sat, St Chad

Children's Liturgy Sun 10.30 Mass (except first Sunday)

Exposition (Holy Hour) Saturdays 9am to 9.50am

Rosary 8.50am before Mass on Thursday and Friday; and

Rosary with the intention of the Unborn

First Saturday of each month at 9.40am with the intentions of the unborn. Prayer cards will be available.

Morning Prayer 9.40am Saturday (not first Saturday).

Confessions usually Sat 9-9.50am, 10.30-11am, 4.30-4.50pm.

Parish Income 17th February £461 (£210 Gift Aid); Thank you!

Second Collections 24 Feb CTF retiring collection. A full list of second collections can be found here: bit.ly/_LQNZKN

APF: Total for January quarter was £485.87, thank you to promoters and subscribers.

Diocesan Newsletter for February bit.ly/_21azBZ

RETIRING COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND FOR THE CLERGY TRAINING FUND.

Be compassionate ...

Celebration Service of Churches Together in Great Wyrley, Cheslyn Hay and Upper Landywood at St Mary's on Sunday 3rd March at 6pm. All welcome - please give your support.

Little Jimmy, the country & western singer is performing at the Centre on Friday March 29th at 7.30pm. **Tickets £5 including light refreshments now available.** All proceeds in aid of Parish Development Fund.

Support the Friendship Club's application for funding of up to £2,000 to the **Tesco Bags of Help Scheme** will be put to a customer vote in March and April in 4 local Tescos (Heath Hayes, Hednesford Great Wyrley and Stafford Road). Just make any purchase in store and use the token you receive to place a vote.

Also see the latest photos from our activities on the parish facebook page facebook.com/cannockcatholic

Cafod envelopes and **Walk with Me** booklets and **Calendars**, and **Bible Alive** for Lent are now available.

Welcome to Fr Jeremy who celebrates the masses this weekend.

World Day of Prayer: The service for 2019 is prepared by the women of Slovenia and is at St Luke's Church, Cannock, 2pm on Fri 1 March. All welcome.

Cannock Chase Churches Housing Coalition (CCCHC) AGM is on Saturday 2nd March, 10:30am, at St Stephen's Methodist Church, Bideford Way. More info on notice board.

Oberammergau Passion Play & Pilgrimage 24 to 29 July 2020. Download the brochure: bit.ly/_2QVqxoU and booking form: bit.ly/_2DJI7Sn. Cost is £1179pp.

You are invited to a celebration for the 60th Birthday of Shirley Weatherby, which will take place in the Centre on Saturday March 30th from 7pm. Motown music, refreshments and other fun. If you hope to come please let Fr Peter know with a brief message by text to 07766 335591 or email to priest@cannockcatholic.org, indicating numbers. Thanks.

Fr Peter

St Mary's Centre 01543 579364

Sunday Carvery 12-4pm £6.95
 Wednesday Carvery 5.30-8pm 2 for £10
 Thursday 5.30-8pm 2 for £10 (OAP £4 each)
 Friday 5.30pm-8.30pm from 2 for £10
 @cannockreclub
 All functions catered for

2nd March CYMFED Flame Congress at Wembley Arena.

This is for young people from 14-30. £39pp
8-10th March Monastic Experience Weekend, Quarr Abbey. Contact Brother Duncan Smith
 novicemaster@quarr.org
8th-13th September - Pilgrimage to Fatima, based in Fatima for 4 nights. Package price £651 pp based on two sharing. Further details from Fr Cecil, 0121 4768983/ 07944 707591 or email mneillis174@gmail.com

From a letter of Cardinal Vincent Nichols to his diocese:

This week, I travel to Rome to take part in the meeting called by Pope Francis to address the protection of minors within the Catholic Church worldwide in the light of the abuse suffered by them within the communities of the Church. I write to ask for your prayers and those of your people, for the positive outcome of this meeting and for all survivors of such abuse who will find these days particularly difficult as so much public attention is given to this reality.

The broad themes of the meeting are those of responsibility - knowing what is to be done; accountability - the ways in which we are responsible to each other; and transparency - the determination that there are no hiding places in these matters. These are the virtues, the qualities of our life together, that need to be renewed and strengthened.

An excellent website provides detailed information about this event: www.pbc2019.org.

Journey in Faith

Deepen your knowledge of the faith. This course is suitable for all adults who wish to know more about the Catholic faith, and especially anyone who is thinking of becoming a Catholic.

Tuesdays 7.30pm at Centenary Hall, Our Lady of Lourdes, Hednesford

Please Pray ...

... The Holy Father's Prayer Intention: For a generous welcome of the victims of human trafficking, enforced prostitution and violence.

... for all those who are persecuted for their faith, especially for Christians in the Philippines where two weeks ago two bombs exploded during Mass near the Cathedral of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. At least 20 people were killed and 111 injured. ISIS claimed responsibility.

... for our country, the government and all involved in the difficult discussions and negotiations which have come about after the referendum to leave the European Union: that there may be wisdom and a concern for all in society, especially the most vulnerable

... for the sick or housebound: Don McCulloch, Mary Rowley, Helen Pawlak, Kath Turner, Stella Skillen, Winifride Haynes, Annette Mason, Doris Crabb, Joanne Jeavons, Nicola McCulloch, Celia Hurdiss, Dee Fellows, David Holt, Theresa Hadley, Sandra Avery, Fr Pat Farrelly, June Weatherby.

... for those in our parish receiving communion at home: Mary Kirby, Norah

Perry, Peter Clamp, Don and Breeda Hinton, Gerry Marriott, Billie Wyles, Maria Wacławski, Catherine Holloway, Bernard Deakin, Iris Robertson, Mary Casey.

... for those undergoing or recovering from treatment or otherwise in particular need of our prayers: Katie Bruce, Anne Costello, John Morris, Vincent Dockery, Peter Garnett, Hannah Newborough, Peter Clamp, Kevin O'Mahony, Ray Bishop, Audrey George, Mitek Karasinska, Geoff Tipping, Josie Riley, James B, Helen, Michelle & Chris Bell, Fr Neil Bayliss, Deacon Louis Livesey

The Holy Souls

... for the recently departed: Christopher Morley, Lily Koller, Gordon Banks

... for those with anniversaries about this time: 25th Andrew Gill, James Ward; 28th Harriet Perry; 2nd John Taylor, 3rd Job Heaton

Thanksgivings

... for those newly confirmed!

... for a 60th birthday!

... for the forthcoming canonisation of Blessed John Henry Newman!



Full rota is at bit.ly/cannockparishrota

ROTAS	Readers Sat 5pm	Ministers Sat 5pm	Readers Sun 8am	Ministers Sick Visiting	Readers Sun 10.30am	Ministers Sun 10.30am	Counters	Cleaning	Stole Washing
Feb 24th Sunday 7	Patrick Warren Wendy Owens	S & T Bullivant P & C Wilson	Margaret Tym	S & T Bullivant	Martyn Porter Shirley Weatherby	Gail & David Korzonek C Bridges, C Jackson	M. Powell, S. Nelson	Team 4 M & B Briggs M Simpson	Margaret Harris
Mar 3rd Sunday 8	Pat Wilson Doug Bruce	D Gleve, S Weatherby, Jo Burrows & R Clancy	Shirley Weatherby	M Sargeant	Justine Lomas Clare Jackson	P & C Garnett A Gaughan M Harris	G Keeling C Bridges	Team 5 A Spencer V Brookes M Tym	Carol Garnett