

Good News!

29th November 2020 • Advent Sunday

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Stafford Hospital Chaplaincy: 01782 676400

New Cross & Cannock Hospital Chaplains: 01902 695098

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Safeguarding: Jo Burrowes & Ann Hinsley

(Birmingham Diocesan Trust: Reg Charity No. 234216)

Live Broadcast of Mass: facebook.com/cannockcatholic/live • **The Family Mass:** bit.ly/3q94bLi

Masses, Intentions and Services

Mass is broadcast live. Mass intentions bit.ly/mass-intentions

**The Church reopens again on December 2nd
The Obligation to hear mass is suspended,
and the Easter duties have been set aside for
2020.**

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Sun	29	10.30am	Tony Nunn RIP
Tue	1	7pm	Anthony Lawless RIP
Wed	2	9:15am	Daniel Rietz RIP
Thu	3	9:15am	Winifride Haynes RIP
Fri	4	9:15am	Teresa Wilcox Int (95 on 3/12)

SAT 10AM-11AM CHURCH OPEN FOR PRAYER

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Sat	5	12pm	Patrick Treadwell RIP
	5	5pm	John & Helen Prendergast RIP
Sun	6	8am	V. Teresa Burrowes RIP
	6	10.30am	John Moyles RIP

Saints Days: 1 St Edmund Campion,
3rd St Francis Xavier, 5th St Birinus

Baptism of Hugo Liam Alan Keeling Gentles
during Mass at 12pm on 5 December 2020

Funerals:

Pat Webb Funeral Mass on Tuesday 1st December
10:30am, into Church 4pm on November 30th

Winnie Haynes Graveside service on December
3rd. Mass on Thursday 3rd December will be
offered for her soul.

Parish Administration online:

Please also send a short message to Fr Peter when
you have completed one of these forms.

Baptism Application: bit.ly/2BrczkQ

Mass intention Request a: bit.ly/310DfSf

Online donations bit.ly/donate-video

Stay Awake!

Light a Candle with Cafod
for a departed loved one, or
someone special who is
having a tough time. You
can add a donation to offer
comfort and help to our
global family.

lightacandle.cafod.org.uk

Grief to Grace UK provide
a programme of healing for
victims and survivors of
abuse. Tel: 020 8971 2918 or
07740 687536, or
www.griegtograceuk.org/
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info@griegtograceuk.org

Mince Pies to order. £5 per
dozen. Proceeds to Church
funds. Text orders to Shirley
07577 484552.

Mary's Meals helps to feed
hungry children with a daily
meal A new project to
provide 43,000 hungry
children in Liberia, with a
meal at school needs
support. Until 31st January
2021, donations made to
Double The Love campaign
will be matched by the UK
government, up to £2
million. Go to
www.marysmeals.org.uk/
doublethelove. Thank you.

Memorial Mass: we will
have an online memorial
service during December at
which the names of our
loved ones will be
remembered.

**XMAS (Easter) Raffle
Draw** (postponed), is on
Sun 13th Dec after 10:30
mass. Great prizes. Please
collect tickets to buy and
sell, informing buyers of the
date of the draw. Return
stubs and cash in good time
please. Thanks for your
support.

THE FAMILY MASS: is an
online mass, filmed Hefe,
and intended for children of
primary school age and their
families. It is being used
already by several schools
throughout the archdiocese.
The Advent Mass is here:
[https://youtu.be/GE01-1S-
Wsw](https://youtu.be/GE01-1S-Wsw)

ITEMS TO HELP OTHERS:

Food for the Foodbank:
You collected another **64kg**
last week! Thanks!! Please
leave donations in the
Presbytery Porch (front of
house) **SELECTION BOXES
ESPECIALLY WELCOME**

Used postage stamps for
Leprosy Mission.

**Baby clothes and
equipment** for the Life
House

**Toiletries & sanitary
items** for Homeless.

THANKS to the family of
the late Don McCulloch,
who of their generosity have
donated votive candle
stands to the parish in his

Important Government consultation

The Faith Engagement Adviser at the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government, Colin Bloom has been asked to lead a review into how best the government should engage with faith groups in England. It is important that we take this opportunity to have our say and contribute to change in the effectiveness of government's engagement with faith groups. The form is here: <https://bit.ly/37hS2uT>. It is quite long and detailed, and requires some time to fill in, but it is very important that Catholics, and especially those engaged in public bodies (school governors for example) make their views known. It is known that secular groups are working hard to ensure that their own outlook predominates. Catholic Voices are hosting an online conference on December 2nd at 7pm to explain the purpose of the review and put questions to Colin Bloom. Questions can be submitted before the day. <https://bit.ly/36bj7AC>



Christmas Services?

As already mentioned, current thinking is that on **Christmas Eve** there will be mass at 2pm, 4pm and 6pm, and we will also join Our Lady of Lourdes at the Grotto for the Night Mass (probably at about 10 or 11pm).

Christmas Day Mass will be at 10am as usual.

There will be **ticketing** for all these masses. There will also be an online (recorded) Family Mass (for children and families).

Also possible but not yet decided:

(a) One of the masses on Christmas Eve to be child focussed?

(b) An online (recorded) Carol Service?

(c) "Carols in the Dell", 20-30 minutes and open to more people? **Feedback/ideas welcome.**

The Diocesan Poor Mission Fund helps poorer parishes. The Archbishop invites donations, which can be made via the diocesan website (Gift Aiding also possible. <https://bit.ly/2JiCm2i> (After completing their details on the form donors, will be taken to the next page which has the Poor Mission

THE ROTAS

FROM WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 2ND

Stewards & Cleaners' Rota

WEEKENDS

Saturdays 12pm Kay Rimmer, Ann Hinsley

5pm Eileen Clancy, John Gay, Paul Doyle

Sundays 8am Liz Fraser, Margaret Harris

10:30 Tommy Tait, Alan & Jean Slater, Ruth Wright

WEEKDAYS

Tues Sheila & Tony Bullivant

Wed Sheila Clancy, Cath Bowker

Thu Ruth Wright, Kay Rimmer

Fri Peter Summerfield, John Woodworth

General Clean: Friday after Mass

Readers' Rotas (weekdays)

Each weekday until further notice

Tuesday: Sheila Bullivant

Wednesday: Pat Wilson

Thursday: Siobhan Fountain or Kay Rimmer

Friday: Cath Hunt

Readers' Rotas (weekends)

December 5/6

Recorded first reading: Clare Jackson

Second Readings in person:

Sat 12pm: Shirley Weatherby

Sat 5pm: Paul Doyle;

Sun 1030: Sue Andrews

Sun 8am (all readings) Michael Burrowes

December 12/13

Recorded first reading: Pat Wilson

Second Readings in person:

Sat 12pm: Patrick Warren

Sat 5pm: Doug Bruce

Sun 1030: Callum Pearce

Sun 8am (all readings) Margaret Tym

December 19/20

Recorded first reading: Clare Jackson

Second Readings in person:

Sat 12pm: *tba*

Sat 5pm: Cath Hunt

Sun 1030: Justine Lomas

Sun 8am (all readings) *tba*

December 26/27

Recorded first reading: Françoise Gray

Second Readings in person:

Sat 12pm: Kay Rimmer; Sun 1030: Jo Burrowes

Sat 5pm (all readings): Alex & Tamsin Davies

Sun 8am (all readings) David Korzonek