


For those who have died: Peter Hart, Mike Lang, Fr. David Forrester, Joan Doran, May Dutton, Jean Llewelyn, Fr. Sean Turley, Michelino Tamburro, Margaret Wassell

Funerals:

Please keep in your prayers: John & Bridie McDonagh, Jane McDonagh, Margaret Hunt, Veronica Mary McCrank, Glen Preece, Paddy McLoughlin, Caroline Holland, Tom Bradley, Maureen Salmon, Joyce Walsh, Eddie McDonagh, Suzy McDonagh, Marie McKenzie, Philip Gormley, Francis Keane, Anne Russell, Maureen Byrne, William Kelly, John Farrell, Ann Gilrairie, Margaret McNulty, Cornelius Cronan, Tom Brennan, Thomas McHugh, Tara Ford, Michael Welsh, Simon Woods, Chris Kane, Christine Linnell, Jim Malachi, Monica Carrington, Michael McHugh, Anne Scott, James Swindel, Reg Ford, Chris Voice, Fr Brian Brown, Lisa Dean and Danny Dean, Winnie Lawlor, Margaret Bednall, Sandra, John Magnier, Sheila Cronin, Maureen Rowland-Aitken, Elaine and David Sumner, Jackie Logan, Brenda Guest, Graham Lawlor, Terence Dixon, Robert Sweeney, Dayna Haywood, John Eccles, Gerry Stokes, Frank Gallagher, Mary Chester, Ann Mountford, Jim Lowndes

POPE FRANCIS PRAYER INTENTION (DECEMBER): FOR THE POPE. For those that people living with disabilities may be at the center of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programs which value their active participation

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CONFESSIONS: Sat 10.00 to 10.45am & before mass or by appointment
ADORATION: Tues 9.00am—9.50am & Sat 10.00-10.50am
BAPTISMS: Sun at 11:45am by appointment **ROSARY:** 20 mins before mass
CHOIR: Sing at 10.00am mass. *Anyone can join.*
**** CHILDREN'S LITURGY **:** During Sun 10:00am Mass
TEAS and COFFEE: After Sun 10:00am Mass in Parish Hall. *All Welcome*

ST PETER'S PARISH WHATSAPP GROUP. To join: 1.) Give Fr. David or Sr.Tonia your WhatsApp phone number to add you manually or 2.) Send a WhatsApp message 'ADD ME' to the Parish WhatsApp number; 07840781301.

St. Peter's Catholic Church, Bloxwich



Ubi Petrus ibi Ecclesia ibi Deus

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PARISH NEWSLETTER **Sat 25th/ Sun 26th November 2023**
1st Sunday Advent
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1st Sunday Advent



Advent begins, not with the past or with the coming of the Lord at Christmas, but with the promise that He is coming back. We are encouraged to stay awake, and treat every day as the day the Lord will come; not out of fear for a Master who beats his servants, but out of love of a Master who always treats us with Mercy and Love {Mark 13:33-37}. Even as we look forward to the tomorrow of the Lord's coming, we must remember that it might be today.

This week we start The Season of Advent with blessing of the Advent Wreath. - Advent has a twofold character, for it is a time of preparation for the Solemnities of Christmas, in which the first coming of the Son of God to humanity is remembered, and likewise a time when, by remembrance of this, minds and hearts are led to look forward to Christ's Second coming at the end of time. Advent is a period of devout and expectant delight.

SAFEGUARDING NOTICE: The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is **Elizabeth Briars**. They can be contacted at: **sg.stpeters.bloxwich@rcaob.org.uk** or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/ **safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk** if you have any concern.

MASS/SERVICE TIMES, FEAST DAYS and ACTIVITIES

Sat 2 Dec	10.00am	<i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i>	
Sat 2 Dec	11.00am	Our Lady on Saturday	Sr Jacinta 1st Profession for 1st Dec, Beryl and Patrick Fitzmaurice RIP
Sat 2 Dec	12.-3pm	<i>Saturday Communions</i>	
Sat 2 Dec	5.30pm	1ST SUNDAY ADVENT (Vigil)	Mavis Bradin RIP, Mary Chester health
Sun 3 Dec	10.00am	1ST SUNDAY ADVENT—and re-ception into Church	Jean Llewellyn RIP
Sun 3 Dec	11.45am	<i>Baptism</i>	
Sun 3 Dec	1-2.30pm	<i>Sunday Communions</i>	
Mon 4 Dec	12.30pm	Mass in Church	Thanksgiving anniversary Food Bank
Tue 5 Dec	9.00am	<i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i>	
Tue 5 Dec	10.00am	Feast of St Birinus	Jim Lowndes intentions
Tue 5 Dec	5.00pm	<i>Rite of Christian For Adults (instruction)</i>	
Tue 5 Dec	6.00pm	<i>Rite of Christian For Adults (instruction)</i>	
Wed 6 Dec	8.40am	Mass in St Thomas More School	Fr. David Forrester RIP
Wed 6 Dec	10.30am	Memorial St Nicholas	Fr Sean Turley RIP
Wed 6 Dec	11.30am	<i>Prayer Service The Lakes</i>	
Wed 6 Nov	12.30pm	<i>Rite of Christian For Adults (instruction)</i>	
Thu 7 Dec		<i>Invigilation @Oscott</i>	
Thu 7 Dec	6.00pm	IMMACULATE CONCEPTION (vigil)	John Magnier Intentions
Fri 8 Dec	10.00am	IMMACULATE CONCEPTION	Joan Doran RIP
Sat 9 Dec	11.00am	Memorial St Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoazin	Mike Lang RIP
Sat 9 Dec	1-3pm	<i>Fun Church in the Parish Centre</i>	
Sat 9 Dec	5.30pm	2ND SUNDAY ADVENT (Vigil)	Margaret Wassell RIP, John Bates RIP, Rosa Tamburro anniversary
Sun 10 Dec	10.00am	2ND SUNDAY ADVENT	Thanksgiving Santiago Rodrigues, Brian Rollins anniversary, Jim and Sharon Lowndes intentions
Sun 10 Dec	11.45am	<i>Baptism</i>	
Sun 10 Dec	1pm-2pm	<i>Sunday Communions</i>	

ADVENT FUN CHURCH—9th DECEMBER 1PM—3PM PARISH CENTRE

All adults and children welcome. Arts and Crafts. Nativity Carols and prayers. Refreshments and dancing. All children must be accompanied by an adult. Please give names to Sue Kennedy or Sister Tonia.

AUTUMN RED BLOX COLLECTION

The Autumn Red Box collection has now been completed and the sum of £635 has been sent to *Missio*. That makes a grand total for 2023 of £1,300! Thank you to all our box holders

READER'S ROTA

1st Reading & Psalm 2nd Reading/Intercessions
02-Dec Anthony Daniels Martin Bradley
03-Dec Tayla Ewen Tarah O'Brien
READERS PLEASE SIGN UP FOR CHRISTMAS AVAILABILITY—SHEETS ARE AVAILABLE IN SACRISTY/FROM FR. DAVID

YEAR OF PRAYER 2023-2024

2024 has been designated a Year of Prayer by Pope Francis. There is a particular focus on the Our Father, which presents us with a great opportunity to go back to the basics of prayer. Beginning in Advent - The Office for Mission wants to encourage every Catholic to begin reflecting on their prayer life: what we pray, how we pray, and why we pray. This is for two reasons:

1. To encourage us to deepen our own prayer life and love of God;
2. To help at least one other person to pray during the Year of Prayer.

In the New Year we will re-start our Bible Class. This will probably run on a Saturday evening before the 5.30pm mass. We would also like to have praying the Liturgy of Hours once a week. If you have suggestions please let Fr. David or Sr. Tonia know.

HAND MADE CHRISTMAS CARDS

Are available at the Church entrances to raise money for the Church.

ST PETER'S FOOD BANK UPDATE

St Peter's Foodbank is open in the parish Centre on Mondays 10am-12am.

On Monday we helped 39 adults and 21 children. Thank you for your kind donations weighing 37.2 kg.

It was also 1 year since we opened and in that time we have given out 867 parcels helping 1303 adults and 593 children. You have given donations weighing in total 1701.9kg. We are very grateful for the support during the past year. We would also like to thank you to Fr David for his support.

We are always in need of tinned :- meat. Fish, soup, rice pudding, vegetables, coffee, long life milk, .pasta sauce

ANNIVERSARIES

Those whose anniversaries occur this week include: **Henrietta Smith, and Colin Melvin, Roas Tamburro**

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASS

has officially started in our parish on Sundays, immediately after Mass.

All children from non-catholic schools aged 8 years and above or have completed their year 2 are welcomed to join.

We also encourage parents who feel that their children need more catechism of faith but have not reached the age of confirmation, to let them join us despite having received 1st Holy Communion.

Please take your forms or submit if you have not done so. Take or submit to Fr. David, Sue Kennedy or Sr. Tonia.

After Christmas, new candidates will join the next group.

Last Weekend's Collection

Counting Team

Gift Aid **£325.70**

Bi-weekly **SP/CH**

Non-Gift Aid **£295.29**

2nd Collection

Last Weekend Mass Count

Awaiting count

210

PARISH CENTRE BOOKING

Please contact George Pitt
07926 636159 (text only) or
www.stpetersbloxwich.org.uk/booking.html

Thank You

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