

IF YOU WOULD LIKE SOMEONE TO BE PRAYED FOR BY THE PARISH PLEASE LET FATHER DAVID, A PARISH SISTER OR A CHURCH WARDEN KNOW

Funerals: Edna Adams Monday 5th February 1.30pm (Funeral Service followed by burial at Field Road Bloxwich Cemetery)

Please pray for those who have died: Edna Adams, Aleksander (7 months), Mylee Billingham (8 year old murdered in Brownhills), Teresa Ojbonna (Sr. Helena's mother)

Please keep in your prayers: Babies Layla & Laylie, Melanie Keenan, Len Prothero, Pat O'Loan, Mary McCrank, Tom Butler, Bernard Turner, Zofia Przybylko, Margaret David, Cyril Nugent, Sid Marson, Peter Partridge, Sister Francis Sculley, Patricia Southwell, Christine Watson, Veronica Raybould, Fr. Tim Burke, Philip Hathaway, Margaret Keogh, Tricia Smith, Fr. Sean Turley, Edna Penman, Sarah Smith, Jim Malachy, Jessica Pandya, Teresa Lennon, Loise Lyons, Peter Gospel, Fiona McNabb, Teresa Cullen, Patrick McGuire, Catherine Holland, Alice Plant, Alan Marshall, Ted Salt, Irene Lee

Baptisms: Tristan Anthony Titley (Sun 11:45am)

Pope Francis' January Prayer Intention: religious minorities in Asia—That Christians, and other religious minorities, like the Rohingya in Myanmar, may be able to practice their faith in freedom.

WALSALL FOOD BANK—THANK YOU Some people do not believe that there is still hunger in the UK. Between April and September 2017 the Trussel Trust Food Banks across the UK gave 586,907 3-day emergency food supplies, a 13% rise from the same period the previous year, 208, 956 were given to children. Food poverty exists because 13 million people live below the poverty line in the UK due to benefit delays, receiving an unexpected bill or low income. One of the Corporal works of Mercy is to feed the hungry because Jesus said "*For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat*" (Matt 25:35). St. Peter's parishioner, Mark Hopley, who collects the food from this Church for the Walsall Food Bank, would like to give his warmest thanks for all your donations and to urge you keep up the good work. Please put any donations of food in the boxes at the back of Church. There will be a Food Bank in Blakenall. See our website for details (under Parish Groups, Outreach).

SOUP LUNCH— THANK YOU Maureen Byrne, Susan Martin, Maureen Harrison, Sue Kennedy and Katie Forsyth made a lovely soup lunch for the Churches Together in Bloxwich and Blakenall as part of the Octave of prayer for Christian Unity.

FATHER DAVID'S INDUCTION AS PARISH PRIEST

THURSDAY 22nd FEBRUARY 7.00pm.

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PARISH

Saturday 27th/Sunday 28th January

NEWSLETTER

4th Sunday Ordinary Time

HYMN NOS. Entrance **173** Offertory **88** Communion **74** Recessional **568**

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WELCOME SR. JACINTA MARIATTE (IHM)

Sr. Jacinta has joined the Immaculate Heart of Mary Sisters' Convent for 6 months. She is from Iboland in Nigeria and was fully professed in 2007. Her last apostolate was in Dundee and she will be working in Ss. Mary and Thomas More, Cannock. The charism of the IHM sisters is '*humility and compassion*'. Please pray for her work with us and give her a warm welcome.

CANDLEMASS and BLESSING OF THROATS **THIS WEEK**

Friday 2nd of Feb. is the Feast of the Presentation of our Lord in the Temple (Candlemass) - candles will be blessed at 10.00am mass. Saturday 3rd of Feb. is Saint Blaise's Day (blessing of throats during Sat. 11.00am mass.)

PARISH CONFIRMATION/FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

This is for children who are not in Catholic Schools after Sunday 10.00am mass in the Parish Centre. Please see either Father David or Sue Kennedy.

CONFESSIONS: Sat 10.15 to 10.45am

ADORATION: Sat 9.45-10.45am

BAPTISMS: Sun at 11:45am by appointment

ROSARY: 20 mins before mass

REFRESHMENTS: After Sat 11:00am and Sun 10:00am Masses - **All Welcome**

MARIAN DEVOTIONS: Glories of Mary Prayer Group—Fri 2.00pm Parish Hall

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: During Sun 10:00am Mass

MASS TIMES, FEAST DAYS and MASS INTENTIONS

Mass cards and intention envelopes are available from the Piety Stall and Sacristy

Sat 27 Jan	11:00am	Our Lady on Saturday	Moira Archer (operation)
Sat 27 Jan	5.30pm	4th SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME (Vigil)	Cesar RIP Anniv. / Michał (b'day)
Sun 28 Jan	10.00am	4th SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME	<i>Pro populo</i> (for the people of parish)
Mon 29 Jan	6.30pm	Feria in OT (Mass in Church)	Sr. Jacinta Mariatte (her apostolate)
Tue 30 Jan	10:00am	Feria in Ordinary Time	Mylee Billigham RIP
Tue 30 Jan	2.00pm	Feria in Ordinary Time— Mass in home	Private Intention
Wed 31 Jan	8:40am	Memorial St. John Bosco (Mass in St. Thomas More School)	For the education of children
Wed 31 Jan	10:00am	Memorial St. John Bosco	For the homeless
Thu 1 Feb	9:30am	Feria in O T (Mass in St. Peter's School)	Teresa Ojbonna RIP
Thu 1 Feb	2.00pm	Feria in Ordinary Time— Mass in home	Private Intention
Fri 2 Feb	10:00am	Feast of the Presentation of the Lord in the Temple— blessing of candles	For those suffering with dementia & carers
Sat 3 Feb	11.00am	Memorial of St Blaise— blessing of throats	For the sick of the parish & carers
Sat 3 Feb	5:30pm	5th SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME (Vigil)	Antonio, Giovanni, Lucia Tamburro RIP
Sun 4 Feb	10:00pm	5th SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME	James Badger RIP

ON SALE— 2018 Archdiocese of Birmingham Directories (contains details of Parishes, Priests, Schools etc). Available from sacristy priced £4.95

LENT SPIRITUAL READING—It will soon be Lent. Part of Lent is following a discipline that draws us closer to God. This can mean 'giving something up'. It can also mean 'taking something up'. When Father David was in seminary the seminarians would 'take-up' reading a Christian Spiritual Classic. This year Father David will be reading **'The Story of a Soul: the autobiography of Thérèse of Lisieux'**. If you too would like to take this up and order a copy before Lent there is a sign-up sheet in the sacristy. Price is £9.99.

Last Sunday's Collection		Counting Team		PARISH CENTRE BOOKING	
Gift Aid	£228.00	This week	McK	Please contact George Pitt	
Non-Gift Aid	£218.07	Next week	H	07926 636159 or	
2nd Collection	None	Jan Standing Orders		www.stpetersbloxwich.org.uk/booking.html	
		End of month		Thank You The value of your donation is increased if Gift-Aided	

PIETY STALL: Rosaries, Mass Cards, Statues, Prayer Cards etc (Also available from sacristy)

UCM—meeting Mon 29th Jan at 7.00pm in Parish Centre. Still collecting spectacles, used printer cartridges, stamps for the Beacon Centre for the Blind. Please put items in the boxes at the back of Church.

JOURNEY IN FAITH— Thu 1st Feb 6:30pm in the Parish Centre. We will be discussing **BAPTISM & CONFIRMATION**. Come & see—it is an opportunity to discuss aspects of our Christian faith—who we are & what we are about. **After Journey in Faith at 7:30pm there will be a meeting concerning the arrangements for the Induction of Father David. We need your help.**

FISH & CHIPS QUIZ NIGHT Sat Feb 3rd 7.30pm in the Parish

NEXT WEEKEND—Voluntary 2ND COLLECTION for LIFE charities.

MASS WITH ANNOINTING OF THE SICK —Sat Feb 10th 11.00am.

ST. PETER'S 150th ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE—In 2019 we will be celebrating our 150th anniversary!! The committee will be meeting for the first time **Sat Feb 10th at 4.00pm in the Parish Centre.**

JOB VACANCIES/VOLUNTEER POSITIONS—See Church Porch (High St. side entrance) notice board for details.

MARYVALE COURT SHELTERED ACCOMODATION—There are a couple of flats available (near St. Mary's the Mount RC Church, Glebe St, WS1 3LP). Please contact Sr. Geraldine (Tel: 07826849438) for more details.

SECURITY—All Church key holders please make sure you lock doors. There has been suspicious activity by people in the local Bloxwich Churches.

MISSING PERSONS—BRANDON H Age: 16 See posters at back of Church for pictures of Brandon. **MARCHANIEL OSBOURNE** has been found.



Anointing of the sick.

GOING INTO HOSPITAL— **IMPORTANT**

Please let us know if you are going into hospital.

It is **ESSENTIAL** that you ask for a Catholic Chaplain when in hospital. Chaplains are no longer given names of patients. Many health care providers (Hospitals, Nursing Homes) apportion resources for chaplaincies in line with how many requests are made, so you are actually doing the Church a favour by requesting the Catholic chaplain and the sacraments. **The Catholic Chaplain for the Manor Hospital is Father John Villarette (Tel. 07392328745).** Sr. Sebastian, George Pitt and Margaret Webster are on the Chaplaincy Team from St. Peter's. They help on Tuesdays 2-5pm (mass is at 4.15pm). If anyone needs a visit let the Chaplaincy Team know. See our website for details (under Parish Groups, Outreach).