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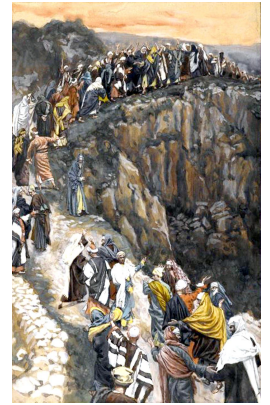
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DATE

**Sunday 30th January
2022**

SUNDAY

**Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year C**

DIVINE OFFICE

Week 4

Live-streamed Masses: Sunday at 9.30am and all weekday Masses.
NB The Sunday Obligation remains suspended until further notice.

<u>Saturday 29th January</u> (1 st Mass of Sunday)	6.00pm	People of the Parish
<u>Sunday 30th January</u> Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30am 11.30am	Int. of David Jessop ^(R&JL) Int. of Pat Hopley ^(SVP)
<u>Monday 31st Jan</u> St. John Bosco ^{Priest Memorial}	9.15am	Sr. Theresa Pillion ^{RIP (Sr.A)}
<u>Tuesday 1st Feb</u> Feria	9.15am	Good Health & Int. of Joe Kennelly ^(JH)
<u>Wednesday 2nd Feb</u> Presentation of the Lord ^{Feast}		No Services Today
<u>Thursday 3rd Feb</u> St. Blaise ^{Bishop, Martyr Memorial}	7.00pm 7.30pm	Rosary for the Unborn Jacob & Ida Almeida ^{RIP (AA)}
<u>Friday 4th Feb</u> Feria	9.15am	In Thanksgiving ^(ES)
<u>Saturday 5th February</u> St. Agatha ^{Virgin, Martyr Memorial} (1 st Mass of Sunday)	9.30am 10-11am 6:00pm	Cornelius Joseph Helen ^{RIP (AH)} Exposition, Confession & Benediction Neil & Patrick Goodwin ^{RIP (D&SG)}
<u>Sunday 6th February</u> Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30am 11.30am	People of the Parish Int. of Dcn. John Higgins ^(SVP)

Pope Francis:

Let us ask the Lord for the strength to turn off the television and open the Bible, to turn off our mobile phone and open the Gospel. It will make us feel God's closeness to us and fill us with courage as we make our way through life.

Data Protection – Live-streaming

Sunday 9.30am Mass, and all weekday Masses, will continue to be live-streamed for those who cannot attend Mass at this time. The camera is situated at the front of the church so that only the Sanctuary is visible.

Cursillos in Christianity:

Supporting the Diocesan Vision

'Cursillo' began in Spain in the 1940's, and the name simply means 'a short course'. It has become a world-wide, tried and tested method of adult faith development. It is a way of making our discipleship effective and furthering the mission of the Church. The movement has papal approval and the support of our Archbishop.

The next event takes place in the next few weeks:

A three day **Cursillo Weekend** from the evening of Thursday 24th to Sunday 27th March in the afternoon. This will be at Shallowford House, near Stafford. If you would like to be involved in either or both of these events and for further information please contact: Canon Michael

Leadbeater: email

canon.michael.leadbeater@rcaob.org.uk

or 07734 681060

Second Collection

Next weekend, **5th/6th February**, there will be a retiring collection for **Pro Life**. This collection goes to support the Pro Life movement and the work that they do.

Pope's Prayer Intention

The Pope's prayer intention for the month of February is: **For religious sisters and consecrated women**. We pray for religious sisters and consecrated women; thanking them for their mission and their courage; may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times.

Sick in the Parish

Please pray for all the sick in the parish, that God will bless and comfort them.

Please remember especially:

Louise Morgan, Bert Mercer, Stephen Brook, Margaret Davis, Mary Brough, Joe Bannister, Morris Moseley, Max Miotk, Leo Jones, Margaret Healy, Maura McGarry, Juliet Woodhall, Pat Hopley, Luke Smith, Catherine Shepherd, Keiron Sanders, Jim Smith, David Goodwin, Nancy Levell, Antonio Bigongiari, Olivia (Dotty) Cutler, Ann & Keith Allford, Dcn. John Higgins, Joan Hart, Emma Jones, Anna Morgan ^{née Meehan}, Margaret Cooper, Holly Brady, Mike Mander, Jo Cooke, Anne Humphreys, Paul Mott, Theresa Chandler, Fr. Paul Chamberlain, Cath & Paddy Breen, Max Lewis, David Piggott, Clare Cooksey & Áine McDonagh.

We pray also for all who continue to be affected by the COVID-19 pandemic, and for those who carry the burden of their illness privately. May the Lord grant them His healing and peace.

50-50 Club

The winners of the draw for December entrants drawn on 24th January:

1st Prize	DM 64	£150
2nd Prize	EH 16	£60
3rd Prize	AN 53	£37.50
4th Prize	AH 80	£20

Total prize money this month: £267.50

CAFOD

Live Simply Prayer – Week 10
(Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

“Love is patient and kind; love delights in the truth; love is ready to excuse, to trust, to hope and to endure”. Help us, Lord, to practise this Christian love.

Deacon Peter's Invitations

Our conversation groups have got off to a flying start with an exploration of our journeys in faith and our experiences of the Church. We've looked at the “Father's Love Letter” made up of Scripture passages and we're looking forward to diving deeper into some of those passages to see how God might speak through them to us today. These conversations are open to everyone and are guided by those who take part. We meet in the Parish Meeting Room on Mondays at 7pm and/or Saturdays at 2pm; refreshments provided.

Church Cleaners



We are **very, very short** of church cleaners, now having only three teams. With 3 or 4 more volunteers, we could add an extra team, so that the duty would only repeat every 4 weeks. If you can help please call Fr. Craig at the Presbytery, or email us at smota.aldridge@rcaob.org.uk.

This week's team **Beryl, Catherine & Chris.**

Fairtrade Stall



Next Sunday, **6th February**, our Fairtrade Stall will be in the Parish Meeting Room following the 9.30am Mass. Please do pop in after Mass to see what is on offer.

New Parish Census

If you have not already received a new Parish Census Form please collect one from the table in the porch this weekend. Please complete as soon as possible and return to church, placing them in the basket in the sacristy corridor marked ‘Census’.

Recently Deceased

Of your charity please pray for the repose of the soul of **Marguerite Baxendale**. On whose soul Sweet Jesus have mercy, may she rest in peace. Marguerite's mortal remains will be received into church at **4.30pm on Thursday 10th February**, the Requiem Mass will be celebrated at **11.00am on Friday 11th February**.

Craft & Natter

We meet every **Tuesday** in the Parish Meeting Room from **11am to 3pm**. 50p per session for all the refreshments you can drink. Come for a morning, an afternoon, or for the whole session, just don't forget to bring your lunch. Just bring yourself and something ‘crafty’ to make! For more information call Christine on 07900604902

Mr Mercer

Please pray for Mr Mercer who has now gone to Richmond Hall to receive end of life care. Please also remember Tony & Dawn, Paul and all the family in your prayers at this sad and difficult time.

Rosary for the Unborn



This Thursday, **3rd February at 7.00pm**, we will pray the Rosary for the protection of all babies in the womb, and for their families. This month our intention is: **‘For women seeking healing after an abortion’**.

Praying for the Unborn



For all going through difficult pregnancies, we pray for an overwhelming sense of hope and joy to fill their lives, and for increased support to be given by their families, friends and local communities. Amen.

Baptism Enquiries

If you would like to have your child Baptised here at St. Mary of the Angels please visit the 'Baptismal Enquiry' page of the parish website using the following link:

<https://www.catholicaldridge.co.uk/baptismal-enquiries.html>

Here you can complete a 'Baptism Enquiry Form'. The next available dates for Baptism Preparation are:

7pm Tuesday 15th February 2022

7pm Tuesday 26th April

7pm Tuesday 28th June

Christmas Crib Collection



Throughout the Christmas Season there will be a collection box at the crib for our annual Christmas Crib Collection. This year we are taking this collection to help the work the Father Hudson's Society. Advent and Christmas allow us to reflect on the birth of Jesus and the life and sacrifice he made to lead us in our love and support of our neighbours and those who are strangers to us. Please help Father Hudson's to care for people in need across the Archdiocese of Birmingham.

Sacrament of the Sick

Please remember to inform Fr. Craig **directly** in case of sickness, especially if it requires hospital treatment or a prolonged absence from Mass. If you cannot inform the clergy yourself it is then your family who should take on this responsibility.

And finally:- Following the changes in the Covid Guidelines by the government, the Bishops' of England and Wales have now issued new guidance for the celebration of Mass. As of this weekend the wearing of masks at Mass will become completely optional. The Holy Water stoups will be filled and returned to the entrance of the church. Alongside the Hymn Books in the porch the Sunday Missals will also be available for use at the weekend Masses. Whilst the QR Code will remain in place for the 'signing in' at Mass, there will no longer be any need to use the sign in sheet as you come into church. In a few weeks time, once we know how things are going once we have made these changes, the 'sign of peace' will be reintroduced on the First Sunday of Lent. If you are feeling unwell you are encouraged not to attend Mass, however, this is normal practice and I hardly feel the need to make a point of this. The full texts of the guidance given by the Bishops' Conference can be found on the homepage of the Parish Website.

May God bless and protect you all. Fr. Craig