

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Let us be one in faith with the holy shepherds, and let us by favour of Mary, the Virgin Mother, and St. Joseph, enter into the Grotto which became the royal palace of the King of Kings and the Lord of glory. Let us approach with humble reverence, but without fear, so as to offer our homage to the Son of God, the eternal Word made flesh for us and born in a stable, placed in a manger for cattle. What a mystery of love! What a miracle of mercy!

Blessed Antonio Rosmini

Next Week's Gospel Reading Feast of the Holy Family of Nazareth

Gospel – Luke 2:41-52

Now every year his parents went to Jerusalem for the festival of the Passover. And when he was twelve years old, they went up as usual for the festival. When the festival was ended and they started to return, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it. Assuming that he was in the group of travellers, they went a day's journey. Then they started to look for him among their relatives and friends. When they did not find him, they returned to Jerusalem to search for him. After three days they found him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. And all who heard him were amazed at his understanding and his answers. When his parents saw him they were astonished; and his mother said to him, 'Child, why have you treated us like this? Look, your father and I have been searching for you in great anxiety.' He said to them, 'Why were you searching for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?' But they did not understand what he said to them. Then he went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them. His mother treasured all these things in her heart. And Jesus increased in wisdom and in years, and in divine and human favour.



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ST MARIE'S RUGBY

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Week starting 22nd December 2018

Fourth Sunday in Advent

Sunday Collections - Thank you for last Sunday's offertory collection which amounted to £

Christmas Collection- is towards the Rosminian Fathers who look after St. Marie's Parish. If you are a tax payer, please use the gift aid envelope provided. Unused envelopes can be left at the back of the church. Thank you.

Winners of prizes still to be collected from Parish Office: Teresa; P. Smith.

APF / Red Boxes – Would all promoters please collect their envelopes from the porch and return the collected money by Sunday 23rd December. Thank you.

Eucharistic Adoration - Resumes On Monday 14th January. Thank you to June Hargadon and all the volunteers.

Crib Service- Everyone is welcome to come along on the 24th of Decmber at 2p.m. Children are invited to dress up as angels or shepherds etc. Please contact Juliet Green or the Parish Office for more information.

New Readers & Ministers of Communion rotas are available in the sacristy if you can not print them. Thanks.

Sunday bidding prayers - are available for anyone to take home to pray during the week. They are left on the table in the old baptistery. Thank you.

Sharing Hope in Crisis-<https://billygraham.org.uk/rapid-response-team/training/> 'Especially useful for those who serve suffering people on a regular basis' Saturday 16th March 2019 | Maryvale Institute, Maryvale House, Old Oscott Hill, Birmingham B44 9AG Cost: Free (donations can be made to help cover cost of host venue).

The Coach House- is open after Sunday 10am Mass for Christmas Cards, Calenders, cribs etc...Please visit.

Parish Office – The Parish Office will be closed until Wednesday 2nd January therefore no newsletter for next week.

Welcome- Fr. Chris Fuse, our new Provincial Superior will reside at Gentili House. He works in the U.S. at present. We welcome him to our parish community.

Wishing you all a Peaceful and Blessed Christmas & prosperous New Year 2019-thank you for the support throughout the year- it is most encouraging. Thank you for the many cards and Gifts.



A Very Warm Welcome to St. Marie's!

Have you joined us for the first time?

Please complete a card from the main porch and hand it to the clergy & introduce yourself.

Come and meet other parishioners for coffee or tea in the Parish Halls after weekday or Sunday morning Mass

NB Please remember to inform the Parish Office if you move house or change your contact details.

Parish Office opens from 09.10 – 12.40 on Wednesday to Friday

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK
22nd December 2018 - 29th December 2018

SATURDAY 22nd December – Vigil for Fourth Sunday of Advent
Confessions 5.30 to 5.55 p.m.
Mass at 6.00 p.m. for Theresa Stubbings R.I.P.
Oratory Mass- for Vincent Ferdinand R.I.P.

SUNDAY 23rd December – Fourth Sunday of Advent
Day of Prayer for Expectant Mothers
Confessions from 9.30 a.m. - 9.55 a.m.
Mass at 10 a.m. for Julia & Terry Treacy R.I.P.
Polish Mass at 12.30 p.m.
Mass at 6.00 p.m. for Patrick Hannifin R.I.P.

MONDAY 24th December
Mass at 10 a.m. for Betty Friel R.I.P.
Oratory Mass- for all the sick in the Parish
Childrens' Crib Service at 2pm
6pm Vigil Mass for all parishioners
11:30pm Midnight Mass for Gordon Hartley R.I.P.

TUESDAY 25th December - Solemnity of The Nativity of The Lord
Dawn Mass at 8am for Deceased Members of the Smith Family
Mass at 10 a.m. for Shirley Deery R.I.P.
Polish Mass at 12:30pm
No Evening Mass

WEDNESDAY 26th December – Feast of St. Stephen, Martyr
Mass at 10.00 a.m. for Bill Morgan R.I.P.
Oratory Mass- Margret & Maurice Emery R.I.P.

THURSDAY 27th December – Feast of St. John, Apostle
Mass at 10 a.m. for Evelyn Croucher R.I.P.
Oratory Mass- For the sick in the Parish

FRIDAY 28th December – Feast of the Holy Innocents
Mass at 10 a.m. for Jean Bourne R.I.P.
Oratory Mass- Elizabeth & Victor Treble R.I.P.

SATURDAY 29th December – Feast of St. Thomas Becket
Mass at 9:30 a.m. for All Parishioners
Confessions 10 to 11a.m.
Oratory Mass- All Holy Souls

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK
29th December 2018 - 5th January 2019

SATURDAY 29th December – Vigil for Feast of the Holy Family
Confessions 5.30 to 5.55 p.m.
Mass at 6.00 p.m. for Edward Croucher R.I.P.

SUNDAY 30th December – Feast of the Holy Family of Nazareth
Confessions from 9.30 a.m. - 9.55 a.m.
Mass at 10 a.m. for Private Intentions of Lucy and Delko Sabchev
Polish Mass at 12.30 p.m.
Mass at 6.00 p.m. for James O'Driscoll R.I.P.

MONDAY 31st December
Mass at 10 a.m. for Eddie Leslie R.I.P.
No Evening Mass
Oratory Mass- Anne & Paul Cooper

TUESDAY 1st January – Solemnity of Mary, The Mother of God
Mass at 10 a.m. for Nora Garrett R.I.P.
Oratory Mass- Eugenie & George Ward

WEDNESDAY 2nd January – St. Basil the Great & St. Gregory Nazianzen
Mass at 10.00 a.m. for Eddie Leslie R.I.P.

THURSDAY 3rd January
Mass at 10 a.m. for Dan Perry R.I.P.
Funeral of Margaret (Peggy) Supka at 12noon
Choir Practice - 7:45 p.m. in Church.
Oratory Mass- Yuen's Family

FRIDAY 4th January
Mass at 10 a.m. for Private Intentions of Thomas & Margaret Falvey
Oratory Mass- Deery Family R.I.P.

SATURDAY 5th January
Mass at 9:30 a.m. for All Parishioners
Confessions 10 to 11a.m.
Oratory Mass- For the sick in the Parish

Diocesan Directory- is available for £2.75 by the old Baptistery.
Fr. Tom- will be away from the 26th December to the 2nd of January.

✠ PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO ARE SICK: ✠

Tom Donnelly, Derek Larkin, Sharon Colleran, Rachel Mears, Baby Freddie Fereday, Elsie Johnson, Piotr Fior.
William Hearn, Gordon Henderson, Sofia Roman Garcia, Hattie Taylor, Pat & Breda Mulvey, Pippy Bilisland,
Sister Mary Francisca, Leonard & Marie Niner

✠ RECENTLY DIED ✠

✠ FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES FALL AROUND THIS TIME: ✠

Michael Collins, Theresa Stubbings, Jean Bourne, Johnny Carey, Liam Carey, Mary Clarke, Ludwick Kabarowski, Hazel Watkin,
Vittoria DiMarino, Joseph Fernandes, Michael Cowley, Zdzislaw Cybulska, Sheila Mitchell, Eleanor Flynn, Patrick Hannifin,
Annette Todd