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## FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

### DAY OF ST. JOSEPH 2021

As the year of St. Joseph comes to an end and since it is also the year of the family, myself and Fr. Jose invite all of the parish to come together 10am mass on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> December to celebrate. We particularly wish to acknowledge the important roles the men of the parish, whether husband, father, son, brother, uncle or nephew, have in supporting their families in many different ways, following the example of St. Joseph. Refreshments will be served in the Hibberts Hall after the mass.

### Christmas Fundraising

Our beautiful church is in need of some repairs. To help with fundraising you have the opportunity to sponsor the lighting of the church at night (through Advent) in memory of a loved one or for your family. The name/s and date of your sponsorship will be placed in the newsletter and you/they will be remembered in our prayers that day. Please contact the parish office if you would like to be a sponsor.

**Diaries 2022** -The diaries for next year are now available at the back of the church in the porch.

**Christmas Market** on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> December at 11am-3pm **and** Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> December after 10am mass. Next meeting to make final arrangements is on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> December. Volunteers still needed on 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> mornings. We kindly ask for bottles, chocolates, bric-a-brac, toiletries, jewellery, cake and Christmas decorations, wrapping paper, bows etc. To be left in the church porch or ring Kelly Merrigan on 07864929412.

### November Prayers: Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> November

As we ponder the hope found in the second coming of our saviour, we pray for all those in need of hope. We pray especially for those contemplating having an abortion, that they would be reminded of the hope God brings and His fundamental desire for our good. We pray also that as a society we would become channels of God's hope, providing support to all pregnant women. Lord hear us

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**Live Online Mass:**

<https://camstreamer.com/redirect/957497f580b7461/S-56262>

**Parish Office:**

Wednesday-Friday  
 09.00AM-12.00PM

**In Community:**

Fr. John Buckner  
 Fr. John Bland  
 Fr. Charles Sormany  
 Fr. David Tobin  
 Br. Joseph Gardner

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Lionel Pelloquin

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Sat 27 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2021	Feria in Ordinary Time	09.30AM 06.00PM	All Parishioners The Johnson and Wilson Families RIP
Sun 28 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2021	<b>First Sunday of Advent</b>	10.00AM 6.00PM	Robert and PJ Larkin RIP (anniversary) Elsie Johnson (well-being)
Mon 29 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2021	Advent Feria <b>Adoration</b> 09.00AM-09.50AM	10.00AM 11.45AM	Tommy O'Byrne RIP <b>Oratory</b> UCM
Tue 30 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2021	<b>Feast of Andrew, Apostle</b>	10.00AM 11.45AM	Maurice Stanley RIP (anniversary) <b>Oratory</b> The Morgan Family
Wed 1 <sup>st</sup> Dec 2021	<b>Feast of Edmund Campion.</b>	10.00AM	Nina and Michael Kane RIP
Thu 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dec 2021	Advent Feria	10.00AM	Catherine Costello RIP <b>Oratory-</b> Michael Donnelly
Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup> Dec 2021	<b>Memorial of St Francis Xavier, Priest</b>	10.00AM 11.30AM 11.45 AM	Romanzia Darville RIP Mass and Christmas Meal <b>Oratory-</b> John O'Driscoll
Sat 4 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2021	Advent Feria	09.30AM 06.00PM	All Parishioners Shirley Deery RIP

## This Week's Gospel First Sunday of Advent Luke 21:25-28

Jesus said to his disciples: 'There will be signs in the sun and moon and stars; on earth nations in agony, bewildered by the clamour of the ocean and its waves; men dying of fear as they await what menaces the world, for the powers of heaven will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. When these things begin to take place, stand erect, hold your heads high, because your liberation is near at hand. 'Watch yourselves, or your hearts will be coarsened with debauchery and drunkenness and the cares of life, and that day will be sprung on you suddenly, like a trap. For it will come down on every living man on the face of the earth. Stay awake, praying at all times for the strength to survive all that is going to happen, and to stand with confidence before the Son of Man.'

### UCM Mass on Monday 29<sup>th</sup>

November at 10am in church followed by coffee and a meeting in the Coach House. We would welcome at this meeting any donations of bottles and wine bags for the UCM stall at the Christmas Market.



**Sunday Collection** Thank you for last Sunday's offertory collection which amounted to £995.41

**Second Collection next week** is for *Poor Parishes Fund*. Please give generously. Thank you.

### Christmas Market stalls info...

**UCM Stall** The UCM are running *Bottle in a Bag* stall. Please label any bottles in bags or otherwise that you wish to donate to the UCM with their name on it. All other bottles will be used for the tombola.

### Fr Hudson's Crib Appeal

This Christmas we are supporting @fatherhudsons, #fatherhudsonscrib Show you care to by sharing a picture of your Christmas preparations and by donating to support people in need in your Archdiocese to <https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/FHCCChristmas2021>

**AMAYzing Value Stall** May and Louise will be running this stall this year. In previous years you have all been so very generous so thanks again for your generosity. Could we ask you please for donations of toiletries, new gifts, jewellery (even broken gold and silver has a value) perfume (even if it's partially used we are still able to sell it, especially with the box). Could we ask you to leave it in the porch with *AMAYzing Value* on it. If you have any questions please ring Louise on 07876656398.

### The Sower

Please find the latest Advent Edition of this magazine in the church porch. Please take a free copy for yourselves or anyone you know who needs one.

Advent and Christmas allow us to reflect on the birth of Jesus and the life and sacrifices he made to lead us in our love and support of our neighbours and those who are strangers to us. Please help us care for people in need across the Archdiocese of Birmingham. Your support is crucial to Father Hudson's Care and our ability to help people in need.

**Table Favours** If there is anyone who can provide some table favours for us for the parish Christmas meal next Friday please kindly email the parish office asap on [stmaries.rugby@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:stmaries.rugby@rcaob.org.uk)

### Christmas Stamps

Demand for stamps depicting the Biblical Christmas story has been overtaken by sales of secular designs, figures reveal. The statistics were described as a "disappointing" by one campaign group seeking to promote the presence of Christianity in UK public life. Start small to help

spread the true message of Christmas...



**Christmas Meal for Pensioners** on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December. Mass at 11.30am and Christmas dinner in Hibberts Hall to follow. Volunteers are needed for setting up and serving on the day. Please kindly send in responses asap. Transport has been arranged for those who requested it. Please contact Kelly Merrigan on 07864929412 if you are able to help.

**Repository Open** after weekend and weekday mass. Christmas cards, Advent calendars, diaries and 2022 calendars now in stock.

### Christmas Hamper

Thank you kindly for your generous donations. We have plenty now. The draw will take place after 10am mass on Christmas Day.

**RECENTLY DIED**  
**Katherine Rose Arthur**  
**John O' Driscoll**      **Tony Geehan**

### 500 Club November Draw

1st prize No 67 = £40  
2nd prize No 130 = £30  
3rd prize No 48 = £20

### FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES FALL AROUND THIS TIME

Patrick McGrath, Jean Redman, Elizabeth Gelston, Kate Tennant, Peggy Supka, Anne Cooper

### PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO ARE SICK

Tom Donnelly, Sharon Colleran, Rachel Mears, Freddie Fereday, Elsie Johnson, Piotr Fior, William Hearne, Sofia Roman Garcia, Hattie Taylor, Lenny & Marie Niner, Val Muir, Noel Hayes, Sybil Brookes, Maureen Keane, Viviane McSweeney, John Melia, Ginny Eves, Timothy Etherton, Paula Ann Smith, Michael Duffin, Maureen Borg, John O'Brien, Teresa Summersgill, Breda O' Byrne, Mabel Clarke, Melissa and her unborn child.

**BAPTISMS** Please welcome into our church Alvaro Chidera Ohajiaka Svast and Adaeze Viktorija Ohajiaka Svast, baby Dmitrijs Vasiljevs, baby Eliza Gibson, baby Eric Liam Ambrus who were recently baptised.