

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Jesus wanted the commandment of love which he taught (not simply to our ears but to our hearts) to be the most beautiful and pleasing mark of his true disciples.

Blessed Antonio Rosmini



ST MARIE'S RUGBY

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Next Week's Gospel Reading Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

Gospel – Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire."

Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."



Diocesan Directory- is available for £2.75 by the old Baptistery.

St. Cross Hospital Mass - Tuesday 8th 1:30pm in the hospital chapel. All welcome to attend.

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.

Parish Priest: Father Tom Thomas
Assistant Priest: Fr. Jose Kuttikkatt
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Week starting 5th January

Solemnity Of The Epiphany Of The Lord

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

Thank you – the Christmas collection for the Rosminian Clergy who serve your parish amounted to £

Dear All,

Happy New Year 2019.

We welcome the year 2019, we give thanks for the year just gone by, for all the blessings received and lessons learned. This make us better people and make us conscious of the pilgrimage we are part of. One of our biggest challenge that the world faces today come from our 'use and throw culture' and we spoil our beautiful world by contaminating our nature by the excess use of plastic. It make us conscious of the need to be aware of the beautiful world in which we live and our responsibility to take care of it and pass it on to our children and grandchildren. As part of our new year resolution let us become more conscious of a world free of plastic and we shall use it in the minimum required. The same with the use of water, electricity and gas. Let us keep our surroundings neat and tidy and leave a beautiful legacy behind us. Thank you.

Confirmation 2019- this year's confirmation classes to begin in February. Application forms are available for children not attending St. Marie's Primary school in the parish office. The last date to return the forms are on the 25th of January. The enrollment Mass to present the candidates will take place on the Sunday 27th January at 10 am. Mass. Application forms will be distributed to our primary school. The actual date of Confirmation is on the Sunday the 16th of June at 10 am. by Archbishop Bernard Longley. Those parents who wish to have their Children confirmed please pick up the forms. Thank you.

Bishop William Kenney visit to the Parish- will take place on the week ending the 2nd and 3rd of February. There will be opportunity to meet the Bishop as he will be available on those days. The details of the parish visit and celebrations will be available from next week. If you have any suggestions please do not hesitate to speak to Fr. Tom or send an e-mail to parish office. Thank you.

Winter Shelter- Sincere thanks to those of you that stepped in to help us with the various shifts on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve, it really was appreciated. Also thank you to those of you that contributed presents for our guests, food and financially.

Your generosity and compassion have been greatly appreciated by the guests and volunteers alike and we will be able to spread Christmas over a few more weeks yet. With best wishes for 2019.

Journey of Faith (R.C.I.A.) - meeting will take place on the 8th Tuesday at 7.30p.m. at Gentili House.

Liturgy Group Meeting- will take place on the 9th Wednesday at 7p.m. at Gentili House.

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

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

IN THE PARISH continued...

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.

Sunday Lunch- on Sunday 27th January from 12.30pm to 3pm in Hibbert's Hall. Please speak to Hibbert's Kitchen to book your place. Tel: 07596265871

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).

Thanksgiving Mass for Marriage- that His Grace, Archbishop Bernard, will celebrate on Sunday 3rd February, 11am at St Chad's Cathedral. We are encouraging couples who will be celebrating a particular milestone anniversary (10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 40, 45, 50, 60 and every year over 60) to attend as well as those newly married or preparing to marry in 2019. Please contact Lianne via email – lianne.pap@rc-birmingham.org marking the email 'Marriage Mass'. We are also trying to find the longest married couple in the Diocese and the Communications Team will be interviewing couples who get in touch to gather testimonies. To date the longest married couple to get in touch is 62 years

Job Opportunity - Key Worker Hope4 (Rugby) Ltd (Registered charity number: 1126487) working with the homeless and badly housed people in the borough of Rugby, Warwickshire. We run a Day Centre, Rugby foodbank and along with the local churches a Winter Night Shelter. We started in 2005 and have seen many significant changes in the size and scope of our work. The Key Worker Role is pivotal to the success we have achieved in helping our clients. Please visit our website (www.hope4.org.uk). We would encourage potential applicants to come and look at what we do by contacting our Project and Volunteer Manager to make an appointment. An application form can be downloaded, completed and either emailed to our new Chair of Directors at applications@hope4.org.uk or sent by post to Diana Mansell, Recruitments, 8 Newbold Road, Rugby, Warwickshire. CV21 2 LJ to arrive before 1200hrs on 24th January 2019.

Parish Priest's Diary:

Monday:- meetings

Tuesday:- revive breakfast/ RCIA

Wednesday:- meetings/ liturgy meeting

Thursday:- crematorium service/ Hospital visit

Friday:- school mass/meeting

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

5th January - 12 January 2019

SATURDAY 5th January

Confessions 5.30 to 5.55 p.m.

Mass at 6.00 p.m. for Diego D'Souza R.I.P.

SUNDAY 6th January – Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord

Confessions from 9.30 a.m. - 9.55 a.m.

Mass at 10 a.m. for Eddie Leslie R.I.P.

Polish Mass at 12.30 p.m.

Mass at 6.00 p.m. for Nora O'Driscoll R.I.P.

Oratory Mass- Brian Edwards & Julie Mabey

MONDAY 7th January

Mass at 10 a.m. for Private Intentions of Mary, May, Joanne, John & Baby Alice McElhinney

No Evening Mass

Oratory Mass- Paul John Hobley & Hobley Family

TUESDAY 8th January

Mass at 10 a.m. for Private Intentions of Breda Handforth

Oratory Mass- McDonagh Family

WEDNESDAY 9th January

Mass at 10.00 a.m. for Nancy Biggs R.I.P.

Oratory Mass- For the sick in the parish

THURSDAY 10th January

Mass at 10 a.m. for Eileen Bannigan R.I.P.

Choir Practice - 7:45 p.m. in Church.

Oratory Mass- All holy Souls

FRIDAY 11th January

Mass at 10 a.m. for Private Intentions of Roselyn Curley

Whole School Mass at 11am

Oratory Mass- Ilustre & Rafanan family

SATURDAY 12th January

Mass at 9:30 a.m. for All Parishioners

Confessions 10 to 11a.m.

Oratory Mas- Saldua Family

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

Rug Meeting- will be on Tuesday the 15th at 7pm in Gentili House.

† 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, Lenny & Marie Niner

† RECENTLY DIED †

Jeffrey Hall, John William Lennon

† FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES FALL AROUND THIS TIME: †

Mary Clarke, Stephen O'Neill, Pauline Pritchard, Agnes Tucker, Edward Piniecki, Nora O'Driscoll