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**Welcome to this House
of God:**

**Talk to God before Mass
Listen to God during
Mass**

Talk to others after Mass

Today's Mass Readings

Isaiah 60: 1-6;

Psalm 71;

Ephesians 3: 2-3, 5-6

Matthew 2: 1-12

This Week 5th January - 12th January (Psalter Week 2)	Holy Mass & Services	Other Events
Sunday 5th January Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord Year A	8.30 am Mary Pope - Birthday (EK) 10.30 am Fr. Peter Kelly RIP & Family (Fr. Tom Kelly) 6.00 pm Gladys Remedios RIP (KA)	After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea in the Hall
Monday 6th January Christmas Feria	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Brigid Yates RIP (MR)	
Tuesday 7th January Christmas Feria	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Mary Dyke (MD)	
Wednesday 8th January Christmas Feria	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Mary Hurley & Family (MD)	
Thursday 9th January Christmas Feria	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Fr. Tom Kelly & Family (BB)	
Friday 10th January Christmas Feria	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Private Intention (JB)	9.45 am - 10.15 am: Adoration and Devotion to the Sacred Heart
Saturday 11th January Christmas Feria	10.30 am Holy Rosary 11.00 am Bernard Brooks RIP (MG)	10.15 am - 10.45 am: Confessions
Sunday 12th January Feast of the Baptism of the Lord Year A	8.30 am People of the Parish 10.30 am Brigid Yates RIP 6.00 pm John & Mary Ryan (DR)	After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea in the Hall



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RESPONSORIAL PSALM

8.30 am & 10.30 am: All nations shall fall prostrate before you,
O Lord.

6.00 pm: In his days justice will flourish. Peace will reign 'til the
moon fades. May his name be blessed for ever and
endure like the noon-day sun. (24)

PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS

Please pray for all our parishioners, and/or their friends and relatives, who
are unwell:

Ralph & Milly Arnold, Mary Arulandhu, Barbara Conway, Catherine Copper,
Eileen Dalton, Delores Delaney, Frank Fawcett, Alan Francis, Joan Graham,
Beryl Hill, Alan Hurst, John Jennings, Andrew McDermott, Stella
McDermott, Michael Sheridan, Aidan Skinner, Jacky Smith, Paul Smith,
Margaret Steward, Angela Wardle, Breda Wightman, Mark Wightman,
Richard Wightman & Monsignor Graham Wilkinson

**Due to the new data regulations (GDPR), the Archdiocese have requested
that we do not list names unless we have the consent of the individual. If
you would like your name to be included in this list please contact
Fr. George SCJ or Kate Dalglish. Please note that the newsletter is also
placed on the parish website. Thank you for your understanding.**

RECENTLY DECEASED

Your prayers are asked for **Rosemarie Preece & Philip Moody** who died
recently. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through
the mercy of God rest in peace. Please keep their families and friends in
your kind thoughts and prayers.

THANK YOU

Fr. George SCJ would like to thank all Parishioners who have helped over
the Christmas and New Year period. Your support is much
appreciated.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL GIVING TREE

Thank you very much to everyone for being so generous with presents for
the children. We have helped 31 local families who would have struggled to
find presents this year for their children and the majority of the presents
were collected by staff from Father Hudson Homes on the Monday prior to
Christmas. Thank you all for supporting this project.

CHURCH CLEANING

Cleaning rotas for the New Year 2020 are at the back of church to be
collected. Thank you. Pat Webb.



WEDNESDAY ADORATION

Adoration will resume on Wednesday 15th January 2020. We really do need new people to kindly pledge time to watch and pray in front of the Blessed Sacrament. It is a generous gift of your time but well worthwhile. Please contact Catherine Ingram on 01905 778053.

MASS INTENTIONS

We make every effort to accommodate Mass Intentions on the dates requested however this is not always possible due to prior bookings. When submitting a Mass Intention request, please could you provide a phone number or email address so that we can contact you if needed. Due to GDPR regulations, with the exception of deceased individuals, we are unable to publish names unless the Request for Mass Intention Form at the back of church is completed. If we do not have a form the Intention will be listed in the newsletter and stated at Mass as Private Intention.

PARISH SECRETARY

I am out of the office until Tuesday 7th January. For any urgent queries please contact Fr. George SCJ on 01905 773258. Everything else I will deal with on my return.

ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM: JOB VACANCIES

The Archdiocese of Birmingham is looking to appoint a Safeguarding Advisor and a Strengthening Cluster Communities Officer. Please see the posters on the noticeboard for full details including closing dates.

TEA & COFFEE ROTAS

The Tea and Coffee rotas for 2020 are now available from the Narthex. Please collect a copy if you have not already done so.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION FOR CHILDREN NOT AT A CATHOLIC SCHOOL

If your child is in Year 3 or above and you would like her/him to be prepared in the parish for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion in June 2020, please make yourself known to Fr. George SCJ, Maria Jenkins or email sacredheartdroitwich@hotmail.co.uk as soon as possible. There will be an initial meeting for parents on Tuesday 28th January at 6.30pm. The Commitment Mass will be held at 10.30 am on Sunday 1st March.

NEWMAN ASSOCIATION - WORCESTER CIRCLE

The next meeting is on Thursday 16th January at 7.30 pm at St. George's Parish Hall, Worcester. The topic is *Our Calling - Methodism Within the Christian Family*. All are welcome; the charge for non-members is £3.00.

CHRISTMAS CARDS TO PRISONERS

Thank you to the many parishioners who supported this well-established parish endeavour, also to the Methodist Church who contributed as well. More than 100 cards were taken over to Long Lartin this week. Well done. From the Justice and Peace Group.

ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM DIRECTORY 2020

We have a limited supply of the 2020 Archdiocesan Directory. These are available on a first come, first served basis from the Parish Office and are priced at £4.50.





Main Collection:
£157.39

Gift Aid: £229.53

**Thank you for
supporting your
Parish.**



**Additional Gift Aid
donation for the Poor
Parishes: £3.00**

**Thank you for your
generosity.**



Next Sunday's Mass

Readings

Isaiah 42: 1-4, 6-7;

Psalm 28;

Acts 10: 34-38

Matthew 3: 13-17

Welcome to everyone at Mass today, especially if you are new to our church or haven't been to Mass for some time. If you are of another Christian denomination or non-Christian you are warmly invited to approach the priest or minister and ask or signify your wish for a blessing.

REFUGEE KNITTING

Thank you so very much to the parishioners who once again have donated such vast quantities of children's scarf and glove sets and matching hat and scarves. Thank you also for the numerous exquisite individual scarves and hats and baby items. Your talents and generosity know no bounds! Please help yourselves to wool and related items in the cupboards at the church entrance to help defray your costs. Donations of the same would be most welcome.

REFUGEE UNDERWEAR

This month, thanks to your overwhelming kindness and generosity, a very large black sack of new adult and children's items were forwarded to the organisers. Thank you once again for your continual support. Finally thank you to those who donated their spare hats, scarves and gloves, they will be so gratefully received by the people in the camps. The next collection date will be a little later, on Saturday 11th January, due to the festivities.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Please note the following date in your diaries:

First Holy Communion Commitment Mass

Sunday 1st March at 10.30 am