



St Patrick's Catholic Church

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1st SUNDAY OF ADVENT YEAR B – 29th NOVEMBER 2020

Sunday	29 th Nov	10.30 – 11.30	Private Prayer
Tuesday	1 st Dec	9.30 – 10.30	Private Prayer
Thursday	3 rd Dec	9.30am Mass	Eugene Jordan, Elizabeth Smith
Saturday	5 th Dec	5.00pm Mass	Ray Todd R.I.P. Trevor Bloodworth R.I.P. Dave Scotting R.I.P. Holy Souls and Forgotten Souls
Sunday	6 th Dec	10.30am Mass	Sean Kiely R.I.P. Ellen Howell

Devotional Candles:	
Sacred Heart:	Our Lady:
St Joseph: Special Intention (BK)	St Anthony: Helen Byrne

Readings for Sunday's Mass: 1st Reading Isaiah 63:16-17, 64:1,3-8
 2nd Reading 1 Corinthians 15: 1:3-9
 Gospel Mark 13:33-37

As we cannot come together to pray as a community, let us be united in reading the scriptures of the day.

THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Your prayers are asked for the sick and lonely of the parish, those in hospital and the housebound, especially:

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| Tom Ruddy | Rosemary Doherty |
| Eileen Connolly | Annie Neville |
| Veronica Griffin | Maureen Noone |
| Maureen Bird | Theresa Smith |
| Noreen Hegarty | Rita Keogh |
| Bridie Guilfoyle | Hazel Hancock |

May God grant them healing, comfort and ease of pain. We remember also all those who are suffering with Covid-19.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Those who have died recently, those who mourn for them and those whose anniversary occurs around this time. We remember especially all those who have died from Covid-19. Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord. May they rest in peace.

Next Week there will be a second collection for the **Poor Mission Fund** which is a Diocesan fund for supporting parishes in need. We have benefitted a lot this year from it so please be as generous as you can.

PARISH PRAYER

Father, pour out your Holy Spirit on each member of our parish.
Warm our hearts with your love, so that we can follow you more closely. Enlighten our minds so that we can understand the truth of your word.
Protect and strengthen all marriages and family life.
Make our homes places of prayer, peace, harmony and welcome.
Inspire us to work together with enthusiasm and build our parish into a loving and caring community. We make our prayer through Christ Our Lord.
Amen.



PREPARING FOR CHRISTMAS



Thanks to everybody who has volunteered to help with stewarding and cleaning for Christmas Masses. Attendance will be strictly by booking and you can start booking now. Our Mass times will be:

Christmas Eve 5.00pm and 7.00pm

Christmas Day 9.00am and 10.30am

To book please contact the sisters on 02476 612193 or 07706400871

Or e-mail stpatricks.covty@rcaob.org.uk

All those who have volunteered to help are already booked in.

OUR RETURN TO CELEBRATING MASS:

For the last month we have been unable to celebrate Mass together because of the government's guidelines on Covid 19. As the lockdown should be lifted on 2nd December, we will return to having public Masses from Thursday 3rd. Our Mass timetable will be as it was before this latest lockdown and it will still be necessary to book at weekends. If you were already a regular before the lockdown you will still be on the list so will not need to book. Please could I ask for those who were helping with stewarding before lockdown to help again when Masses start.

CAFOD World Gifts

World Gifts, CAFOD's range of virtual gifts, make a real difference to families living in poverty across the world. While we have the coronavirus pandemic and lockdown here, we can still be good neighbours to our sisters and brothers overseas by giving World Gifts as Christmas presents to family and friends. The Keep Clean Kit gift for £6 and the Vegetable Garden gift for £10 are just two gifts that will help vulnerable families affected by the pandemic to protect and feed themselves. Let's spread joy and hope around the world this Christmas. Visit cafod.org.uk/worldgifts

IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM ARCHBISHOP BERNARD LONGLEY

Archbishop Bernard has sent us a letter regarding the report on safeguarding that came out last week. This letter is attached to the newsletter.

The Archbishop also asks that we read the statement made by Cardinal Vincent Nicholls and other relevant information which can be found on:

<https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/state-ment-on-safeguarding-from-the-bishops-conference>

Our **Jubilee Year** was to open on **25th May 2021** with a Mass celebrated by His Grace Archbishop Bernard Longley but because of the Covid restrictions we no longer think this the best way to proceed.

At our Jubilee Committee Meeting during the week, we decided to ask the Archbishop to move the big celebratory Mass back one year, and we will **close our Jubilee Year** with him, instead of him coming at the beginning. We hope that by doing this everybody who wants to be present will be able to be without restrictions or social distancing.

We will still carry out our Jubilee Year Programme as planned, and this will start at **Pentecost 2021**, hopefully with a Multi-cultural Mass. In March or April, Paschal and David will be talking at Mass about our preparations so we can all be involved in as much as we can reasonably commit to.