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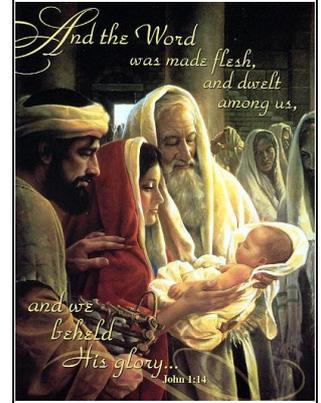
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DATE

Sunday 2nd January 2022

SUNDAY

**Second Sunday after the Nativity
Year C**

DIVINE OFFICE

Week 2

Live-streamed Masses: Sunday at 9.30am and all weekday Masses.

NB The Sunday Obligation remains suspended until further notice.

<u>Saturday 1st January</u> (1 st Mass of Sunday)	6.00pm	Melina Satariano RIP ^(YD)
<u>Sunday 2nd January</u> Second Sunday after the Nativity	9.30am 11.30am	People of the Parish Int. of Frances & John Hutchcocks ^(SVP)
<u>Monday 3rd Jan</u> Most Holy Name of Jesus ^{Memorial}		No Services Today
<u>Tuesday 4th Jan</u> Christmas Feria		No Services Today
<u>Wednesday 5th Jan</u> Christmas Feria		No Services Today
<u>Thursday 6th Jan</u> Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord (Holy Day)	9.15am 7.00pm 7.30pm	People of the Parish Rosary for the Unborn Int. of the Donors to the Life Appeal ^(AT)
<u>Friday 7th Jan</u> St. Raymond of Penyafort ^{Priest Memorial}	9.15am	Thomas Roche RIP ^(DR)
<u>Saturday 8th January</u> Christmas Feria (1 st Mass of Sunday)	9.30am 10-11am 6:00pm	David Easthope RIP ^(EW) Exposition, Confession & Benediction People of the Parish
<u>Sunday 9th January</u> Feast of the Baptism of the Lord	9.30am 11.30am	Dec. of the Whetstone over 50's Group Evelyn Hawkley RIP ^(SVP)

Pope Francis:

Let us allow ourselves to be evangelised by the humility of Christmas, of the manger, of the poverty and simplicity with which the Son of God entered the world. Let us allow ourselves to be evangelised by the humility of the child Jesus.

Data Protection – Live-streaming

Sunday 9.30am Mass, and all weekday Masses, will continue to be live-streamed. The camera is situated at the front of the church so that only the Sanctuary is visible. If, however, you are sitting on the left side of the church you will become visible, in a way in which you might be recognisable, for a brief moment as you return from receiving Holy Communion. If you do not wish to appear on the live-stream please ensure that you are seated on the right of the church.

Coffee Morning

This weekend we resume our Sunday morning social gathering for tea and coffee following the 9.30am Mass. Please do stay after Mass to enjoy some social time together.

50-50 Club

The winners of the draw for November entrants drawn on 26th December:

1 st Prize	HD	106	£150
2 nd Prize	BL	54	£60
3 rd Prize	MM	73	£32.50
4 th Prize	DP	88	£20

Total prize money this month: £262.50

If you are interested in joining in with our monthly Parish 50/50 Draw please speak to either Fr. Craig or Sue W.

Christmas Cards

Please check to see if you have any remaining Christmas Cards to be collected from the stand in the porch.

Pope's Prayer Intention

The Pope's prayer intention for the month of January is: **For true human fraternity.** We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognised, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.

Sick in the Parish

Please pray for all the sick in the parish, that God will bless and comfort them. Please remember especially:

Stephen Brook, Margaret Davis, Dcn. Peter Crosby, Mary Brough, Joe Bannister, Morris Moseley, Max Miotk, Leo Jones, Margaret Healy, Maura McGarry, Juliet Woodhall, Pat Hopley, Luke Smith, Catherine Shepherd, Keiron Sanders, Jim Smith, David Goodwin, Nancy Levell, Antonio Bigongiari, Olivia (Dotty) Cutler, Ann & Keith Allford, Dcn. John Higgins, Joan Hart, Emma Jones, Anna Morgan ^{née Meehan}, Margaret Cooper, Holly Brady, Mike Mander, Jo Cooke, Anne Humphreys, Paul Mott, Theresa Chandler, Fr. Paul Chamberlain, Cath & Paddy Breen, Max Lewis, Marguerite Baxendale, David Piggott, Clare Cooksey & Áine McDonagh.

We pray also for all who carry the burden of their illness privately. May the Lord grant them His healing and peace.

Thank You

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the cleaning team, the crib assembly team, the flower arrangers, the washers of the altar linen, the servers, the musicians & singers, the readers, and everyone who helped in any way to prepare the church for the Christmas Masses. Thank you all!



Catholic Agency for
Overseas Development

Live Simply Prayer – Week 06

(2nd Sunday after the Nativity)

God our Father, enlighten the eyes of our minds, so that we may see what hope your call holds for us and what rich glories you have promised we will inherit as your holy people.

CAFOD 'Hands On' News

There is a leaflet from CAFOD on the notice board in the porch about their latest "Hands On" development project. This replaces the one in Peru for which our parish has been fundraising. The brief reviews there are informative. CAFOD has also sent this invitation to you individually: "By joining 'Hands On' you can directly support communities as they undertake a 2 or 3 year project and receive regular updates about their progress. Our next community is in Cambodia, where you can stand alongside fantastic farmers, terrific teachers and inspired young people. **Join 'Hands On' today by setting up a regular gift at www.cafod.org.uk** A great video shows the 'Hands On' projects. Get it at www.cafod.org.uk/hands"

St. Mary of the Angels Primary School



Don't forget to apply for a Nursery or Reception place for September 2022 at St. Mary of the Angels Primary School, for your child. Reception applications close 15/01/2022, please apply via Walsall Council Admissions. Nursery applications close 18/01/2022, please contact the School Office for an application form. We have limited spaces available.

New Parish Census

If you have not already received a new Parish Census Form please collect one this weekend. Please complete as soon as possible and return to church, placing them in the basket in the sacristy corridor marked 'Census'. If you take communion to the sick, could you please take a census form for them to complete.

Welcome

During the course of this week we welcome a Seminarian from Oscott College to our parish. Jithin, who is in his second year of training for the priesthood, will be doing his Pastoral Placement here at St. Mary of the Angels for the next few weeks. I am sure that you will make him very welcome.

Rosary for the Unborn

This Thursday, **6th January at 7.00pm**, we will pray the Rosary before the Blessed Sacrament for the protection of all babies in the womb, and for their families. This month's intention is: **'For families, that they are supported and remain open to the gift of life'**.

Christmas Offering

Once again I am overwhelmed by your generosity. Thank you for the Christmas Offerings, cards, and the many gifts that I have received over the past few weeks!

Craft & Natter

We are now having a well earned break for Christmas, and we will return on **Tuesday 11th January** from **11am to 3pm**. Come for an hour, a morning, an afternoon, or even for the day – don't forget to bring your lunch.

Drinks are unlimited for a 50p sub, which also covers certain materials to make things. Why not come and give it a try? For more information call Christine on 07900604902

Praying for the Unborn



As we begin this new year, we pray for all who may be considering an abortion. We pray that 2022 would see a decrease in cases of abortion, and instead be a year of increased support, both practical and emotional, from all of us in society, bettering the care for all expectant mothers.

Baptism Enquiries

If you would like to have your child Baptised here at St. Mary of the Angels please visit the 'Baptismal Enquiry' page of the parish website using the following link:

<https://www.catholicaldridge.co.uk/baptismal-enquiries.html>

Here you can complete a 'Baptism Enquiry Form'. The next available dates for Baptism Preparation are:

7pm Tuesday 15th February 2022

7pm Tuesday 27th April

7pm Tuesday 28th June

Christmas Crib Collection



Throughout the Christmas Season there will be a collection box at the crib for our annual Christmas Crib Collection. This year we are taking this collection to help the work the Father Hudson's Society. Advent and Christmas allow us to reflect on the birth of Jesus and the life and sacrifice he made to lead us in our love and support of our neighbours and those who are strangers to us. Please help Father Hudson's to care for people in need across the Archdiocese of Birmingham.

Sacrament of the Sick

Please remember to inform Fr. Craig **directly** in case of sickness, especially if it requires hospital treatment or a prolonged absence from Mass. If you cannot inform the clergy yourself it is then your family who should take on this responsibility.

And finally:-



May God bless and protect you all. Fr. Craig