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THE YEAR OF THE WORD

DATE

**Sunday 9th February
2020**

SUNDAY

**Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year A**

DIVINE OFFICE

Week 1

<u>Saturday 8th Feb.</u> (1 st Mass of Sunday)	6.00pm	For the healing of Jerry Bernstein ^(JH)
<u>Sunday 9th Feb.</u> Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30am	People of the Parish
<u>Monday 10th Feb.</u> St. Scholastica ^{Memorial} <small>Virgin</small>	9.15am	Thomas Fahey ^{RIP}
<u>Tuesday 11th Feb.</u> Our Lady of Lourdes ^{Memorial}	9.15am	Int. of Francis & Maureen Patton ^(F&MP)
<u>Wednesday 12th Feb.</u> Feria	9.15am	Service of Word and Communion
<u>Thursday 13th Feb.</u> Feria	9.15am 7:30pm	Colette Cusack ^{RIP} ^(CMcC) Sick in the Parish ^(SVP)
<u>Friday 14th Feb.</u> St. Cyril ^{Monk} & St. Methodius ^{Feast} <small>Bishop, Patrons of Europe</small>	9.15am	Teresa Lambert ^{RIP} ^(FH)
<u>Saturday 15th Feb.</u> Feria	9.30am 10-11am 11.00am 6.00pm	People of the Parish Confessions & Exposition Benediction Joan Margaret Romans ^{RIP} ^(CM)
<u>Sunday 16th Feb.</u> Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30am	Mary Thomas ^{RIP} ^(M&LJ)

Pope Francis

There is a poverty that we must accept, that of our own being, and a poverty that we must seek instead – a concrete one – from the things of this world, in order to be free and to be able to love.

Beetle Drive



We are having one of our popular 'Beetle Drives' at 7:00pm on Friday 21st February. The entrance fee, which includes a fish and chip supper, will be £8 per person. There will be no other expenses. Please remember to bring your own drinks and glasses.

Anyone wishing to attend, please add your name to the list in the porch/sacristy corridor

St Francis of Assisi College



Our next Youth SVP retreat afternoon will be on Tuesday 25th March. The theme will be based on Lent. Closer to the time we will send out a signup sheet.

Lourdes Fundraising Concert



We are extremely grateful for all of the fundraising you have already been doing for our students at SFA, to finish our campaign we will run a concert on Wednesday 1st April. We would love you all to join us for a night of incredible musical talent and help us to raise money for our great cause. More details will be realised closer to the time.

Recently Deceased

Pray for the soul of **Séamus Plunkett** lately of Aldridge who died on Friday 31st January at Dromod, Co. Leitrim in Ireland, and was laid to rest on Monday 3rd February at Cloone New Cemetery. On whose soul Sweet Jesus have mercy, may he rest in peace.

Walsall Life



Walsall Life wish to thank you for the donations of prams and push chairs, but they now have a nice little stock...at present, but things can change very quickly, so please watch this space.

Annual Thanksgiving Mass for Marriage

This year the Diocese are hosting two Masses for those who are celebrating an Anniversary of Marriage, Saturday 9th & Saturday 16th of May at 12 noon. If you are interested in going please see the details on the poster in the porch.

Thank You from Amy, Katy & Níamh

The girls wish to thank you all for your most generous donations of **£611.22** last weekend following their pulpit appeal for funds towards their pilgrimage Lourdes with the Archdiocese in May. They will be acting as Handmaids, assisting the physically challenged while in Lourdes.

Second Collection

There will be a second collection **next weekend**, 15th/16th February, to support the work of the **LIFE** charity.

Duty Rotas

New duty rotas for **Coffee Morning, Mass Welcomers, Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist and Cleaners** are now available from the stand in the porch.

Sick in the Parish

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

Olivia (Dotty) Cutler, Ann & Keith Allford, Deacon John, Joan Hart, Emma Jones, Anna Morgan ^{née Meehan}, Margaret Cooper, Holly Brady, Mike Mander, Jo Cooke, Anne Humphreys, Pat Gray, Paul Mott, Theresa Chandler, Evelyn Hawkey, Fr. Paul Chamberlain, Cath & Paddy Breen, Max Lewis, Alma Darby, Marguerite Baxendale, Eliz McCabe, David Piggott, Mary Ellis, Clare Cooksey & Áine McDonagh.

CAFOD

Catholic Agency for
Overseas Development

Live Simply Prayer – Week 11

Help us, Lord, to support with prayer and in whatever other way we can, those people who are less fortunate than ourselves.

Many thanks for the donations of stamps, coins and broken jewellery for CAFOD. These are always much appreciated. Our gold box will remain in situ for any further donations.

Craft and Natter

We meet each Tuesday in term time from 11am, when everyone is welcome. For more information call Christine on 01922 860981

Diocesan Directories 2020

Directories are available in the sacristy. They are priced at £5.00 a copy, money to be given to Fr. Craig.

Whetstone Over 50s Group

Committee Meeting - TUESDAY 11th February at 3.15pm in the Meeting room, following the Craft and Natter Group

Quiz Night for Lourdes Fundraising



On Friday 6th March there will be a Quiz Night in the Parish Meeting Room to help Amy Hayes in her fundraising for those who are going to Lourdes with SFA.

The doors open at 7pm for a 7.30pm start. There will be 10 rounds with a fish and chip supper (Chicken or Pie options available) half way through.

Please bring your own drinks and glasses. There will also be a raffle and Heads or Tales game. The night will be hosted by an experienced quiz-master. Tickets cost £8 including supper. **Teams of 6 people.** Please put your names on the sign-up sheet in the sacristy corridor, and give your money to Emma/John Hayes.

Year of the Word

This year, The Bishop's Conference of England and Wales has dedicated as being The Year of the Word. It is therefore my intention, starting in Lent, to run a programme of study and prayer using the scriptures on Friday evenings. Watch this space for further details in the coming weeks.

Baptism Enquiries: If you would like to have your child Baptised here at St. Mary of the Angels please contact Fr. Craig, either at the end of Mass or by telephone, in order to book an appointment with him. The dates of the Baptismal Classes can be found in the porch.

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

PARISH DUTIES THIS WEEKEND: 8TH/9TH FEBRUARY 2020 AND THE FOLLOWING WEEK

<u>6.00PM VIGIL MASS</u>	READERS:	Keith H & Cathy S
	E. MINS:	Keith, Christine H, Nathalie & Bernadette
<u>9.30AM SUNG MASS</u>	MUSIC:	Choir
	READERS:	Jacqui & Brian
	E. MINS:	Catherine, Rosella, Dorothy & Jonathan
	FLOWERS:	Ann T
	CLEANERS:	Margaret L, Michael & Jill P

PARISH DUTIES NEXT WEEKEND: 15TH/16TH FEBRUARY 2020

<u>6.00PM VIGIL MASS</u>	WELCOMERS:	Mavie & Pauline C
	WARDENS:	John O
	READERS:	Pat H & John H
	E. MINS:	Emma, David G, John C & Ann T
<u>9.30AM SUNG MASS</u>	MUSIC:	Folk Group
	WELCOMERS:	Mike & Pat T
	WARDENS:	Denis
	READERS:	David W & Christine L
	E. MINS:	Denis, Barbara, Phil & Sue
CASHIERS:	Team D	
COFFEE:	Geraldine, Bernadette & Jacqui	

And finally: One the day of our baptism, each one of us, through the gratuitous gift of God, received in our souls the seed of faith. Throughout our lives, principally through the Sacraments and through prayer, God pours out on us the gift of His grace to nourish the seed in order that it might grow strong. Once received, however, faith is not meant to be kept hidden within, selfishly kept out of the light where it will only wither and die. Like the city built on the hilltop, like the lamp placed on the lampstand, we must allow our faith to shine out into the world to give glory to God, to aid us in our own personal journey of salvation, and to contribute to the ongoing salvation of the world. Today, let us give thanks to God for the gift of faith, and in giving thanks, let us pray for the graces necessary to allow that faith to bear much fruit.

May God bless you all. Fr. Craig