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DATE

**Sunday 13th February
2022**

SUNDAY

**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
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 12th February</u> (1 st Mass of Sunday)	6.00pm	People of the Parish
<u>Sunday 13th February</u> Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30am 11.30am	Chris Walton RIP ^(FH) Int. of Dcn. Peter Crosby ^(BB)
<u>Monday 14th Feb</u> St. Cyril ^{Monk} & St. Methodius ^{Bishop} <small>Patrons of Europe</small> ^{Feast}	9.15am	Paddy O'Reilly RIP ^(PM)
<u>Tuesday 15th Feb</u> Feria	9.15am	Bill Welch RIP ^(A&TB)
<u>Wednesday 16th Feb</u> Feria		No Services Today
<u>Thursday 17th Feb</u> Feria	7.30pm	In Thanksgiving ^(J&AS)
<u>Friday 18th Feb</u> Feria	9.15am	Int. of Ursula Palmer ^(BB)
<u>Saturday 19th February</u> Our Lady ^{Saturday Memorial} (1 st Mass of Sunday)	9.30am 10-11am 6:00pm	In Thanksgiving ^(AH&Family) Exposition, Confession & Benediction Margaret Moseley RIP ^(J&PC)
<u>Sunday 20th February</u> Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.30am 11.30am	Int. of Joan Lewis ^(SVP) People of the Parish

Pope Francis:

The crisis of faith, in our lives and in our societies, has to do with the eclipse of the desire for God, with the habit of being content to live from day to day, without ever asking what God really wants from us. We have forgotten to lift our eyes to heaven.

Data Protection – Live-streaming

Sunday 9.30am Mass, and all weekday Masses, will continue to be live-streamed for those who cannot attend Mass at this time. The camera is situated at the front of the church so that only the Sanctuary is visible. If you do not wish to appear on the screen during the distribution of communion you are asked to sit on the right of the church.

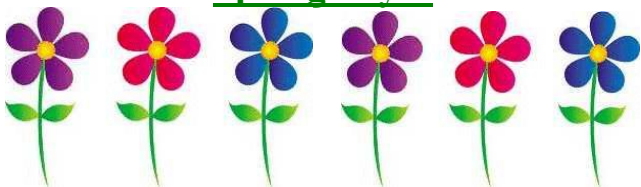
Cursillos in Christianity: Supporting the Diocesan Vision

Our next event takes place in the next few weeks:

A three day **Cursillo Weekend** from the evening of Thursday 24th to Sunday 27th March in the afternoon. This will be at Shallowford House, near Stafford. If you would like to be involved in either or both of these events and for further information please contact: Canon Michael Leadbeater: email

canon.michael.leadbeater@rcaob.org.uk
or 07734 681060

Spring Fayre



The Spring Fayre is planned for the **Saturday 26th of March**. It will include a plant stall. We would be most grateful if parishioners could please start potting seedlings for us to sell. We also ask that you put this date in your diaries and remember to come along.

Pope's Prayer Intention

The Pope's prayer intention for the month of February is: **For religious sisters and consecrated women**. We pray for religious sisters and consecrated women; thanking them for their mission and their courage; may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times.

Sick in the Parish

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

Please remember especially:

Louise Morgan, Stephen Brook, Margaret Davis, 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, David & Sheila Piggott, Clare Cooksey & Áine McDonagh.

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

Whetstone Over 50's Group

The Whetstone Over 50's Group meets on the 2nd Monday of every month. Our next meeting is on **Monday 14th February at 2pm** in the meeting room, which will be a short AGM followed by a fun quiz. The annual membership is only £10 which helps to cover a varied programme of events. Come along and enjoy friendship and fun. You will be made very welcome



Live Simply Prayer – Week 12
(*Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*)

Be our stronghold, Almighty God; be a sure rock for us in these uncertain times. Let us stand on your firm foundation. Let us find comfort and reassurance in you.

Deacon Peter's Invitations

Our conversation groups have got off to a flying start with an exploration of our journeys in faith and our experiences of the Church. We've looked at the "Father's Love Letter" made up of Scripture passages and we're looking forward to diving deeper into some of those passages to see how God might speak through them to us today. These conversations are open to everyone and are guided by those who take part. We meet in the Parish Meeting Room on Mondays at 7pm and/or Saturdays at 2pm; refreshments provided.

Church Cleaners



We are still very, very short of church cleaners, having only **three** teams. With 3 or 4 more volunteers, we could add an extra team, so that the duty would only repeat every 4 weeks. If you can help please call Fr. Craig at the Presbytery, or email us at smota.aldridge@rcaob.org.uk.

This week's team Jane, Ann, Pat & Philomena. A new rota will be published once we know if an extra team can be added.

Wednesday Friends

The next meeting of the Wednesday Friends is on **Wednesday 16th February at 10.00am** in the meeting room. Everyone is most welcome.

1st Holy Communion Commitment

This weekend, at the 6pm Saturday evening and Sunday 9.30am Masses, we welcome the children from Y3 and their parents. Please keep the children in your prayers as they prepare to receive our Lord in Holy Communion for the first time later this year.

New Parish Census

If you have not already received a new Parish Census Form please collect one from the table in the porch this weekend. Please complete as soon as possible and return to church, placing them in the basket in the sacristy corridor marked 'Census'.

Recently Deceased

Of your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of **Bert Mercer**. On whose soul Sweet Jesus have mercy, may he rest in peace. Bert's mortal remains will be received into church at **4.00pm on Monday 21st February**, the Requiem Mass will be celebrated at **11.00am on Tuesday 22nd February**. This will be followed by committal at Streetly Cemetery.

Following the committal, a wake will be held at

**Aldridge Conservative Club,
62 Portland Rd,**

**Aldridge
WS9 8NS.**

There is very limited parking at the club but as it is within walking distance of the church we are, with Fr. Craig's permission, advised to park there.

Craft & Natter

We are having a half term break on Tuesday 22nd February, returning on Tuesday 1st March at 11 am as usual. For more information call Christine on 07900604902

Praying for the Unborn



We pray for all unborn children diagnosed with disabilities, we pray for their protection and that of their mothers from the pressures of society to have an abortion, and that they experience overwhelming love and support from all who surround them. Amen.

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 26th April

7pm Tuesday 28th June

Pro Life Collection

This year our Pro Life Collection raised **£421.77**. Thank you to everyone who supported this collection. The monies will go to the Walsall Life Charity.

Foundation Governor Vacancy at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic College

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic College are looking to appoint to the role of Foundation Governor. This is a voluntary role and crucial in ensuring the vision, ethos and strategic direction of our wonderful school. If you would be interested in knowing more about the role please contact Mrs Katrina Siciliano on ksciliano@stfrancis.cc

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:- Perhaps the most famous version of the 'Beatitudes' is the one taken from St. Matthew's gospel. Today, however, we read St. Luke's account of the same event. Here we encounter a shorter list of the 'Blessed are...' followed immediately by a list of what it will be like for those whose lives do not conform to these states of 'Blessedness'. Whilst the two accounts of this same event differ they are both conveying to us the same message. As Christians we are called to live our lives in this world as passing pilgrims, making our way by the help of God's grace to our eternal homes in heaven. For us this means that we are to use well the things that are given to us in this life to aid us on our journey, however, we are not to allow ourselves to become so attached to them that we lose sight of our true treasure. It is only when our lives are truly conformed to that of Christ, when we live by the commandment to love God and our neighbour, will we find true happiness in this world.

May God bless and protect you all. Fr. Craig