

## **Saint Mary's Catholic Church**

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**FATHER MICHAEL WOULD  
LIKE TO WISH EVERYONE A  
VERY HAPPY AND HOLY  
CHRISTMAS FOLLOWED BY A  
PEACEFUL NEW YEAR.**

In an emergency if  
Father Michael is not  
available, please ring  
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**FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT.**



**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> December**

**9.30 Holy Mass – Frank Kilhan followed by  
Exposition**

**Confessions until 11am.**

**17.00 Vigil Mass for 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent -  
Sick and House-bound of the Parish**

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> December Feast of St Stephen**

**18.30 Holy Rosary**

**19.00 Holy Mass –**

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 4th Sunday of Advent**

**Holy Mass 9.30 - Ema Debba**

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> December Feast of St John  
Apostle**

**9.30 Holy Mass -**

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> December Advent Feria**

**9.30 Holy Mass – John Thirlwell**

**Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> December Feast of the Holy  
Innocents**

**9.30 Holy Mass -**

**Exposition**

**Confessions until 11am.**



**17.00 Vigil Mass- Plows and Edginton  
Families**

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> December Advent Feria  
Christmas Eve Jubilee Year 2025 starts**

**9.30 Mass -**

**Vigil Mass of the Nativity of the Lord 18.00  
18.00 (6pm) Father Fred Sheldon**

**Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> December Advent Feria**

**Christmas Day First Mass of Christmas  
00.00 (12 ) Midnight**

**9.30 Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord**

**At the Tuesday evening & both Wednesday  
Masses there will be collections for Father  
Michael. Envelopes available.**

**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> December Feast of the Holy  
Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph.**

**9.30 Holy Mass -**

During the cold weather, **Weekday Mass** will take place in  
the Presbytery. Please enter by the Presbytery door.

**100 Club Draw after Mass on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup>**

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and National Archdioceses policies and procedures at all times. At present if you have any concerns, please contact the Diocesan Safeguarding team on 0121 230 6240 or email [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk)  
 More information [www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk](http://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk) PTO  
 Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility, not just that of the few. We all need to play our part to keep people safe.

<b>Sept D/D</b> GA. £715 Non GA £90  <b>Oct D/D</b> GA £808.00 Non GA £84  <b>Nov D/D</b> GA £688.00 Non GA £84	<b>8/12/24</b> GA £80 Non GA £282.59 <b>Total£362.59</b>  <b>Poor Parish Fund</b> £148.65 + <b>£62.10</b>	<b>GA £140</b> <b>Non GA £162.47</b> <b>£302.47</b>
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**Please pray for the sick of our Parish**

Terry and Barbara Allen, Peter Edginton, Tori Roberts, Chloe Baker, Eileen Jones, Sheila Morrell, Annemarie Thomas-Banyard, Sean Devlin Margaret Mitchell, Stella Roberts, Holly Lindley, Mary Copestake, Natalina Ball, Janette Prince, Janette Colclough, Beth Munroe, Marie Sowter, Brenda Hammersley, Joan Mern, Josie Goodwin, Hannah Prince, Betty Chadwick, Paul Gascoigne, Julie Broadbridge, Kevin McAuley, Eamon Dooley, Bernard Weetman.  
 Kath Guyatt.  
**Father Fred Sheldon RIP**

**Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time 23rd – 30th December**

William Braddish, Charles McLaffin, John Hall, Margaret Morton Kathleen James, Stuart Horwell and William Crutchley.

**Vocations Rota December 22nd** Sun. Sally; Mon. Stephen; Tues. Fiona; Wed. Rosemary; Thurs. Lorraine; Fri. Veronica; Sat. Stella.

**December 29<sup>th</sup>** Sun. Barbara H; Mon. Doris; Tues. Anne J; Wed. Joyce; Thurs. Michael; Fri. Jean E; Sat. Andrew D.

Any newsletter Inserts to [sallypmh@btinternet.com](mailto:sallypmh@btinternet.com) by Thursday please.

**Thanks to everyone who contributed to last Sunday's coffee morning. An amazing £385.12 was raised.**

**ALSO A BIG THANK YOU TO THE BRANDRICK FAMILY FOR THE LOVELY CHRISTMAS TREE.**



**The Pope's Prayer**

**Intention for**



**December**  
**'We pray that this Jubilee Year strengthens our faith, helping us to recognise the Risen Christ in our daily lives, and that it may transform us into pilgrims of Christian hope.'**

On Christmas Eve, Pope Francis will open the Holy Door of Saint Peter's Basilica. This will mark the start of a Jubilee Year. In keeping with Church tradition, a Holy Year is celebrated every 25yrs to give every generation a chance to experience that special time of grace and mercy in their lives. Throughout the year, those who participate in a Holy Year Pilgrimage will be granted a plenary indulgence. Those who are unable to attend in person are invited to participate spiritually, "offering up the suffering of their daily lives, and participating in the Eucharistic celebration." Pope Francis wants the Jubilee year 2025 to be lived as a "year of hope."

**Christmas Quotes**

**"Just because you can't see something doesn't mean that it doesn't exist."**

**"The magic of Christmas is not in the presents BUT in the presence."**

**"The best Christmas Gift is to realise how much you already have."**

**'Our Lady, Queen of Peace, pray for us.'**

