

## Masses at St George & St Teresa

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### 27<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER – FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>5.30pm</b>	John Rae RIP (MOD)
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>8.45am</b>	Holy Souls
	<b>10.30am</b>	Mary Carbin Int (AA)

### WEEKDAY SERVICES

<b>28.11 Mon</b>	<b>10am</b>	<b>Feria</b> J Doherty Int
<b>29.11 Tue</b>	<b>9.15am</b>	<b>SCHOOL Feria</b> Holy Souls
	<b>7pm</b>	Fr John's Induction Mass
<b>30.11 Wed</b>	<b>10am</b>	<b>St Andrew</b> Jim Ryan (A&C K)
<b>1.12 Thu</b>	<b>10am</b>	<b>St Edmund Champion</b> James Paul Walsh Int (JG)
<b>2.12 Fri</b>	<b>10am</b>	<b>Feria</b> In Thanksgiving (ML)
<b>3.12 Sat</b>	<b>10am</b>	<b>St Francis Xavier</b> Bernard Spillane RIP (ME)

### 4<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER – SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

This weekend there is a second collection for the Poor Parishes of the Diocese.

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>5.30pm</b>	Norman & Amy Guice RIP (NG)
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>8.45am</b>	A Ryan Int (AR)
	<b>10.30am</b>	Annie & John Kennelly (DK)

**Confession – Saturday 9.15am – 9.45am**

**Adoration – Wednesday 9am – 9.50am**

**Rosary – Monday- Saturday 9.35am, Wednesday following Mass**

### CHURCH ROTAS

#### CHURCH CLEANING

<b>This week</b>	D Morgan	P Hogan	D Hawker
<b>Next week</b>	D Burrell	S Chester	G Deadicoat

#### READERS

	<b>5.30pm</b>	<b>8.45am</b>	<b>10.30am</b>
<b>This week</b>	J Musgrave	S Zora	C Loughran
<b>Next week</b>	N Damms	V Chapman	J McDonald

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS and COUNTERS

Not required

Parish Priest: Fr John Cross

Priest in Residence: Fr Paul Dean, Deacon: Rev Mr Stephen Saum

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St. George & St. Teresa  
Catholic Church  
Dorridge  
**FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT**  
**27th November 2022**



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Dear Parishioners,

Advent is a time of preparation for Christmas. For the Church the first Sunday of Advent marks the start of a new year. What will this year bring? We know the dates which mark our lives, birthdays and anniversaries. We also know the dates which mark our Christian year. We have the seasons of spring, summer, autumn and winter. We have each new day which begins when the sun rises. Each new day is an opportunity to begin again knowing that the day before is now history and we cannot go back. As we begin this new year we have a few weeks to prepare for the next big event in our calendar. What will our priority be as we prepare for Christmas?

Our parish calendar provides us with many opportunities to prepare. Check out the newsletter this week to see what we can do to help ourselves and our fellow sisters and brothers to fully appreciate the Nativity of our Saviour.

I look forward to seeing you on Tuesday at my Induction and Mass at 7.00pm.

Advent Blessings, Fr John

**IN THE NARTHEX** we have Walk With Me booklets costing £1 and calendars which are free. Also, a number of Columban Father Calendars which are free of charge. For those who have ordered, there is the December edition of the Sacred Heart Messenger.

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:** We welcome into God's family Ada Helen White who was baptised on Saturday.

**CHRISTMAS GREETINGS CAMPAIGN 2022:** Sheets are available in the narthex, detailing this year's list of prisoners of conscience. Please support this campaign by sending a card to one, or more, of the four prisoners on the sheet; at this time of year we can let them know that they are not alone or forgotten. The sheet is compiled from a list provided by Action By Christians Against Torture ([www.acatuk.org.uk](http://www.acatuk.org.uk)) whose aim is to mobilise Christians of all denominations to come together to pray and write letters of appeal. This can often lead to the end of torture, improvement of conditions and release of prisoners. The full ACAT Campaign list can be accessed via a link from the home page on the parish website ([www.catholicchurchdorridge.uk](http://www.catholicchurchdorridge.uk)).

**CAR PARKING for Fr John's Induction Mass 29th November:** Note that the car park in front of the presbytery will be reserved for the deanery priests who will be taking part in the Induction Mass

**PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK SHRINE:** Ireland, 27<sup>th</sup> March 2023. £699.00 per person sharing. 4 nights' full board. Day trips to Westport, Ballintubber Abbey, Croagh Patrick, Fr. Peyton Centre & National Museum. Single supplement £150.00. Contact Patricia on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email [knockpilgrimages@gmail.com](mailto:knockpilgrimages@gmail.com).

**CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE:** The SVP will be placing the Christmas Giving Tree in the Narthex during Advent. Parishioners are invited to take a gift suggestion tag from the tree and return the relevant present (wrapped and identified by the tag) to the Parish Centre any Sunday from now until 11<sup>th</sup> December between 11.30 - 12.30. Gifts will then be delivered to those less fortunate in the parish of St Vincent's, Nechells in time for Christmas. For those who would like to make a financial donation, please place in an envelope marked 'Christmas Giving Tree' and leave at the Presbytery. Thank you in anticipation of your generosity.

### CHRISTMAS:

Someone has kindly donated a Christmas tree for the church but we are in need of some festive decorations. We will be having a second collection the weekend of 10<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> December to cover the cost of the Christmas Flowers.



#### Christmas Services

Sun 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Carol Service	4pm	
Tues 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Penitential Service	7pm	(at St Augustine's)
Sat 24 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas Eve	4pm	Children's Tableau Mass
		8pm	Vigil Mass
Sun 25 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas Day	8.45am	Mass
		10.30am	Mass
Mon 26 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Feast of St Stephen	10am	Mass

### ST GEORGE & ST TERESA SCHOOL PTA CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 4pm – 6pm – all welcome.

**SVP LUNCH:** The SVP are organising a hot Christmas lunch on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December at 1.00pm. There will be a choice of Turkey dinner in gravy or Vegetable curry (Veg & GF option). The SVP are looking to recover the cost of these meals and as such a donation of £5 per head would be appreciated (although this should not stop anyone from attending)'. All are welcome but we will need to know numbers and choices by Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November at the latest. If you have not already booked, please email [TreasurerF021302@svp.org.uk](mailto:TreasurerF021302@svp.org.uk), by preference, or alternatively phone Steve on 07740 935527, to book your place, and advise your option, or for further information.

**ROSARY:** Please join us for Rosary before Masses at 9.35am except Sundays. Rosary is after Mass on Wednesdays. Divine Mercy Chaplet is after Mass on Fridays.

**HAMPTON SINGERS** Christmas Carol Concert 10<sup>th</sup> Dec 4.30pm St Mary's Church, Temple Balsall. Wine and mince pies included £12.

**EX URBE CHRISTMAS CONCERT** Sat 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec 6.30pm at Hampton-in-Arden Parish Church. Tickets £12 (under 16s free).

**BLESSING OF GRAVES 2022**  
 27<sup>th</sup> Nov Woodlands Cemetery 2pm  
 27<sup>th</sup> Nov Witton Cemetery 2pm  
 27<sup>th</sup> Nov Yardley Cemetery 2pm  
 3rd Dec Knowle Parish Churchyard 2.30pm

<b>PARISH CENTRE BOOKINGS</b>			
Mon 28 <sup>th</sup>	Central England Pilates	Hall	9.30 – 11.00
	NHS Pulmonary Rehab	Hall	13.00 – 16.30
	Kick Boxing	Hall	17.00 – 20.00
Tue 29 <sup>th</sup>	Rock Choir	Hall	9.30 – 12.30
	Language Classes	Conf Room	11.30 – 15.00
	HeadStart Tuition	Conf Room	15.30 – 18.30
	Mass of Induction	Hall	18.30 – 21.00
Wed 30 <sup>th</sup>	Rhythm Time	Hall	9.00 – 12.00
	Language Classes	Conf Room	11.00 – 16.00
	Kick Boxing	Hall	17.00 – 19.00
Thurs 1 <sup>st</sup>	NHS meeting	Hall	13.00 – 16.30
	Language Classes	Conf Room	13.30 – 15.00
	Scanlan Irish Dancing	Hall	17.00 – 18.00
	Central England Pilates	Hall	18.30 – 19.30
Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Amy Price Step Class	Hall	10.00 – 11.00
	Language Classes	Conf Room	11.00 – 17.00
	Kickboxing	Hall	16.15 – 17.45
	AA	Conf Room	19.30 – 22.00
Sat 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Orchid Society	Hall & Conf Room	13.00 – 17.00
Sun 4 <sup>th</sup>	Foodbank & Children's Liturgy	Hall	8.45 – 12.30
	Hong Kong Community Social	Hall	13.00 – 16.00
<i>It is important that users of the Parish Centre arrange bookings (and payments for non-Parish Events) through Oksana Zurak 07967-846 963 or <a href="mailto:oksanazurak@gmail.com">oksanazurak@gmail.com</a></i>			



***Your Prayers are asked***

**For those who are Sick:** Dorothy Perkins, Michael Grosvenor, Tony Burdett, Jill Baynham, Des Bentley, Rita Salloway, Leo Hughes, Bob Service and Jaxon Rochford, Anise O'Donovan, Tessa Waters. *Let us also remember those who care for them.*

**For those Anniversaries which occur in the last 20 years.**

**Recently Deceased:**

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<b>OFFERTORY: 20.11.22</b>	Envelopes £202	Plate £385
Catholic Youth Service	Envelopes £123	Plate £316
Average weekly offering via standing order and online banking - £680		