

Masses at St George & St Teresa

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22nd JANUARY – THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday	5.30pm	Stephen & Oliver Bickerton RIP (MOD)
Sunday	8.45am	Christopher Skerrett RIP (EMB)
	10.30am	People of the Parish

WEEKDAY SERVICES

23.1 Mon	10am	Feria Anise O'Donovan RIP (A&C K)
24.1 Tue	10am	Francis de Sales Missio Promoters Int (LH)
25.1 Wed	10am	Conversion of St Paul Pat & Marion Mullen Wellbeing (MH)
26.1 Thu	10am	Ss Timothy and Titus Lily Duggan Int (SF)
27.1 Fri	10am	Feria Nicholas & Kate Linker Int (EL)
28.1 Sat	10am	St Thomas Aquinas Fr John, Fr Paul & Dcn Stephen

29th JANUARY – FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday	5.30pm	Nathan Ridge RIP (MOD)
Sunday	8.45am	People of the Parish
	10.30am	Anise O'Donovan RIP (MH)

Confession – Saturday 9.15am – 9.45am
Rosary – Monday- Saturday 9.35am
Divine Mercy Chaplet – Friday after Mass

CHURCH ROTAS

CHURCH CLEANING

This week	D Burrell	S Chester	G Deadicoat
Next week	B Byrne		

READERS

	5.30pm	8.45am	10.30am
This week	M O'Dwyer	R Slater	J McDonald
Next week	T Hart	E Moroney Barnett	N Ritmeyer

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
**THIRD SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
22nd January 2023**



Dear Parishioners

I hope you are keeping well. Last week we all had a light dusting of snow combined with freezing temperatures but each new day brings us ever closer to warmer weather. This weekend I was reminded by one of our parishioners is the Chinese New Year – this is to be the Year of the Rabbit – (I googled to find out). Fr Benedict Skipper in my last parish kept two of them “Max and “Coney” in a hutch visible from the kitchen window. I expect those of our younger members of the church family might keep a rabbit as a pet.

Last week after a series of leaks in the Parish Centre the main contractor who won the tender for the work on the roof met with the subcontractor. Photographs of the parish hall roof shows cracks (see notice board) and with the rain we had the water found its way into the building. To cut a long story short this work will be redone and hopefully as soon as possible but there is bound to be some disruption because there always is.

Like yourselves the parish is receiving eye-watering heating bills for the gas central heating in the church, presbytery and hall. To have any warmth in the church on these cold days the heating has to be on for at least an hour before a service begins. The proximity of the front door to the church allows cool air in and out next to the Baptistry. The Parish Hall is very well insulated but the presbytery built in the 1930's has cavity walls and draughts. Roll on the summer!

The week of prayer for Christian Unity is being marked by a special joint service at St Philip's in Dorridge at 10am this Sunday morning. It isn't the easiest time for the RC's but Deacon Stephen and Kathryn will represent us. We still have a few days left of our reflections and prayer to mark this time on Zoom at 7pm. Just click on the link on the parish website. The meetings will take place to Wednesday 25th The Feast of the Conversion of St Paul.

The meeting for Eucharistic Ministers is on Saturday 28th January at 2pm in the Church. Gradually our post Covid congregations are increasing and the various courses for the Sacraments help to boost the numbers. I will be operating a “Passport to Faith” to help parents of candidates for First Holy Communion to understand the promises they make at Baptism to bring up their children “in the practice of the faith.” As we all know “practice makes perfect!”

Every Blessing, Fr John

MEETING FOR ALTAR SERVERS – date in the newsletter next weekend.

CONFIRMATION MASS – February 11th 5.30pm and February 12th 10.30am. Archbishop Bernard Longley will officiate.

BASS SINGERS: Our own choir needs more male singers, so if you have a voice like Lee Marvin that is what we are looking for!

THE PEOPLE'S SHOW CHOIR. A new choir is starting up in Dorridge. No previous singing or musical experience is required. The choir will perform a lot of music from Films/Tv and musicals taking a lighter approach than other choirs. Location: Ye Olde Knowle Bowling Club, Grange Road. Monday Evenings 7:15pm - 8:45pm. If you need any more information or have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact Abbi Mobile: 07877683049 Email: abbi@thepeoplesorchestra.com

HERE 2 HELP THIS WINTER 2022 information from Solihull council can be found on the parish website and on the notice board.

LEARN ENGLISH: Beginners' English Course at Kairos Coffee, Shirley, Mondays 9.30am – 11.30am see notice board for more details.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: if you have a child in year 3 or above and would like them to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion this year and are at a non-catholic school please let Isabel Cusack know asap on 07919685685 or isabelcusack@yahoo.co.uk. These lessons will begin soon. They will be on a Saturday at 4.30pm. I look forward to hearing from you.

HEADTEACHER VACANCY: The governing body of St George and St Teresa Primary School wish to appoint a dedicated, inspirational and committed individual to the post of Headteacher from Sept 2023. Further information and an application pack is available under the vacancies section of our website www.olaas.co.uk Current Vacancies | Our Lady and All Saints Catholic MAC (olaas.co.uk). Closing date is 10am on Mon 27th Feb 2023. Please return your application to recruitment@olaas.co.uk. The proposed interview date is Mon 20th March 2023. If you have any questions you may wish to speak to Peter Davis, Catholic Senior Executive Leader via 07738 013672. Visits to school are welcomed, please contact Mrs Michelle Flanagan, Office Manager via email or telephone 01564 774906 to make an appointment.

RECYCLE YOUR USED INK CARTRIDGES...and raise money for charity. Thank you to all those who have supported this scheme. In 2022 the money raised to support RESTORE, the Birmingham Churches Together Refugee charity, was £158.30 and this represents a potential 6.91kg kept from landfill. Please continue to recycle your used inkjet (not laser) printer cartridges by placing them in the Recycle4Charity green box in the narthex.

THE CHOSEN: We are showing "The Chosen" at St Augustine's Church every Thursday at 7-30 pm all are welcome.

CHURCH CLEANERS are needed to help to keep our church tidy and presentable, it takes about an hour perhaps a family might consider joining the volunteers. Thank you to those who have kindly offered to help but we are still short of seven or eight volunteers. We also need someone to take on the task of organising the rota.

COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER – Maternity Cover: Columban Missionaries Britain are seeking a part-time Communications Officer to join our team. For more details about the position and to apply, please email the HR Advisor at hr@columbans.co.uk.

PARISH CENTRE BOOKINGS			
Mon 23 rd	Central England Pilates	Hall	9.30 – 11.00
	Kick Boxing	Hall	17.00 – 20.00
Tue 24 th	Rock Choir	Hall	9.30 – 12.30
	Language Classes	Conf Room	11.30 – 15.00
	HeadStart Tuition	Conf Room	15.30 – 18.30
	School Confirmation Meeting	Hall	18.00 – 19.00
	Churches Together	Hall	19.30 – 21.30
Wed 25 th	Rhythm Time	Hall	9.00 – 12.00
	Language Classes	Conf Room	11.00 – 16.00
	SVP	Hall	14.00 – 15.00
	Kick Boxing	Hall	17.00 – 19.00
Thurs 26 th	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 27 th	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	18.30 – 20.30
Sat 28 th	Private Booking	Hall	12.00 – 17.00
Sun 29 th	Foodbank & Children's Liturgy	Hall	9.30 – 12.30
<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 oksanazurak@gmail.com</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, Tessa Waters. *Let us also remember those who care for them.*

For those Anniversaries which occur in the last 20 years. Joan Johnson, Adrian Walker, Freda Pringle-Brown, Gerald Macklin, Margaret Flood.

Recently Deceased:

OFFERTORY: 15.1.23

Envelopes £260

Plate £334

Average weekly offering via standing order and online banking - £680