

## Notices for week beginning 27<sup>th</sup> December 2020

Sat 26 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Parishioners	
Sun 27 <sup>th</sup>	10.15am	Jerome & Frank Monaghan RIP BMM	
	6.00pm	No Mass	
Mon 28 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Patrick & Ann Keane RIP J Mary O'Donoghue RIP D	Gluten free host available in the Sacristy before mass
Tues 29 <sup>th</sup>	7.00pm	Peter Donnelly RIP Tony D	
Wed 30 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Angela Matheson RIP M.Weston	
Thu 31 <sup>st</sup>	9.00am	John Maloney RIP J O'H	
Fri 1 <sup>st</sup>	9.00am	Catherine Laverty & Sam Brown Int	
Sat 2 <sup>nd</sup>	9.00am	No Mass	Come out &
	6.00pm	Mary Caswell RIP Catherine C	
Sun 3 <sup>rd</sup>	10.15am	Patrick O'Driscoll RIP Alice & Jerry Kelly RIP VC	Pray the Mass
	6.00pm	No Mass	

### How to access the picture/webcam in the Upper Room

Go to the parish website and follow links for the upper room Parish Website: <https://stedward.org.uk/>

Go to You tube <https://www.youtube.com/> and type in St Edwards, Selly Park

Or type the following into your browser <https://camstreamer.com/redirect/d8e46be2ebbf3/S-41947>

**CHURCH WEBCAM:** <https://www.mcnmedia.tv>

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**Church donations** - if anyone would like to change their donations to a bank standing order, please let Brendan Campbell know and he'll send the details that you will need. You can email him at [bren.campbell@hotmail.com](mailto:bren.campbell@hotmail.com) or call or text on 07887 915373.

**Pope's Mission Statement for December:** Do not be afraid of holiness. It will take away none of your energy, vitality or joy. On the contrary, you will become what the Father had in mind when He created you, and you will be faithful to your deepest self

**FAMILY OFFERINGS** - Thank you for your presence among us, for your prayers, and for your generous monetary offerings that we know are sometimes given in great sacrifice. We promise to be good stewards with the contributions you entrust in our care.

**SICK:** Rose Hyland, Peter Pamba, Caroline Holland, Marie Flynn, Felix McCann, John Masterson, James Neild, Megan Foley, Peter Power, Keith Dunsby, Rita (Dunsby) Miles, Eileen Murray, Vickie Keating, Roger Hookes and all the sick and housebound of the Parish.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Rev Denis Murphy, Mgr Patrick O'Mahony, Rev Colum McCabe, Rev James (Seamus) McNerney, Rev David O'Callaghan, Rev Francis Etherington, Rev Cyril Evans, Rev Patrick Lynch, Deacon Peter Mason. Also Moira Gilsean, Desmond Lennon, Donald Pinchbeck, Mary O'Donoghue, John Mulligan, Ernest Wheeler, Margaret Hough, Thomas Ryan, Alice Guy, Elaine Greaves, Courtney and for all whose anniversaries occur about this time.

**MASS ATTENDANCE:** Sat (vigil) 42, Sun (10.15am) 50

*Off Collection £173.84, 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection Apostleship of the Sea £120.93*

**Talk to Jesus, let Jesus talk to you, then talk to family & friends**

*"Heaven doesn't value what you have but what you give." Pope Francis*

**WALK WITH ME – A DIOCESAN PRAYER:** Lord God, our light and our salvation, we praise you for your gifts of life and faith. We thank you for the desire that you have planted in our hearts, our yearning to see your face. Help us to meet you in prayer, to walk in your ways, and to speak to others of our joy and consolation in your presence. Give us faithfulness in this present life so that we may come to know and praise your beauty with all our brothers and sisters in the life to come. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen

**PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT:** O Holy Spirit, beloved of my soul, I adore you, enlighten me, guide me, strengthen me, console me – tell me what I should do. I promise to submit myself to all that you permit to happen to me – let me only know your holy will. Amen.

**ANIMA CHRISTI:** Soul of Christ, sanctify me. Body of Christ, save me. Blood of Christ, inebriate me. Water from the side of Christ, wash me; passion of Christ, strengthen me. O Good Jesus hear me. Within thy wounds hide me. Suffer me not to be separated from thee. From the malignant enemy defend me. In the hour of my death, call me and bid me to come to thee, that with thy saints, I may praise thee for ever and ever. Amen

**DIOCESAN PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS:** Lord Jesus, send labourers into your harvest. Inspire in the hearts of your people, vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Bless our families with a spirit of generosity. May those whom you call to the priesthood and religious life have the courage to give themselves to your Church as co-operators in your work. St John Vianney – *Pray for Us.*

**PRAYER TO SAINT JOHN HENRY NEWMAN** Almighty and eternal God, we offer heartfelt thanks and praise for the life and witness of Saint John Henry Newman. In him You have given us an inspiring example of a priest and teacher heroically devoted to the pursuit of holiness and the salvation of souls. Through his intercession and his teaching we ask You to pour out Your blessings on all Your children who seek Your truth, so that all may come to know and love You in the one fold of the Redeemer, our Lord Jesus Christ Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen

**ADOREMUS – PRAYER FOR CORPUS CHRISTI** O God, who in this wonderful Sacrament have left us a memorial of your Passion, grant us, we pray, so to revere the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood that we may always experience in ourselves the fruits of your redemption. Who live and reign with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL** St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

### **Official Family Prayer for World Meeting of Families**

**God, our Father, we are brothers and sisters in Jesus your Son, One family, in the Spirit of your love. Bless us with the joy of love.**

**Make us patient and kind, gentle and generous, welcoming to those in need.**

**Help us to live your forgiveness and peace.**

**Protect all families with your loving care, especially those for whom we now pray:**

*[We pause and remember family members and others by name]*

**Increase our faith, strengthen our hope, keep us safe in your love, Make us always grateful for the gift of life that we share.**

**This we ask, through Christ our Lord. Amen**

**Mary, mother and guide, pray for us.**

**Saint Joseph, father and protector, pray for us.**

**Saints Joachim and Anne, pray for us.**

**Saints Louis and Zélie Martin, pray for us.**

## THE ANGELUS

V. The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary;

**R. And she conceived of the Holy Spirit, Hail Mary....**

V. Behold the handmaid of the Lord;

**R. Be it done unto me according to thy word. Hail Mary...**

V. And the Word was made Flesh;

**R. And dwelt among us. Hail Mary....**

V. Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God

**R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.** Let us pray

Pour forth, we beseech thee, O Lord, your grace into our hearts, that we to whom the Incarnation of Christ, your son, was made known by the message of an Angel, may by His Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of His Resurrection, through the same Christ our Lord. **R. Amen.**

May the divine assistance remain always with us, and may the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. **R. Amen.**

**O Sacrament Most Holy, O Sacrament Divine, All Praise & all Thanksgiving, Be Every Moment Thine (to be said 3 times)**

**Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. Have mercy on us (say 3 times)**

## THE DEEP END – The Presentation in the Temple

Simeon and Anna welcome Mary, Joseph and Jesus to the Temple. They have been waiting for this moment. What kind of Messiah were they expecting? Simeon welcomes this family who must have seemed ‘ordinary’ and poor. He can see that this child will be *‘a light...for the glory of your people’*. Already there is a note of reversal; of boundaries being stretched. Mary is told that this child *‘is destined for the fall and the rising of many’*. There will be challenging times ahead for this family. Simeon knows that many thoughts will be exposed for God’s invitation and welcome has no boundaries and this radical hospitality might not sit well with everyone. Anna rejoices for all those who were looking for a change, for hope, she knows that this child will overturn systems of oppression and exclusion.

Luke is interested in how humanity responds to the Gospel. If Jesus’ message is really good news, then this requires a shakeup; a shakeup which challenges comfortable assumptions about the way God works. God’s abundant invitation to all may not sit comfortably with many. While Anna prays and fasts for a change of heart in the way Jerusalem operates, Simeon warns Mary that this will not be an easy road.

Many situations in our own world today need a shake-up, especially in our church. This can be uncomfortable as we have to let go of certain things and invite freshness. What situations in our own society and in our church require a shake-up; an uncomfortable but necessary change so that God’s love and welcome can shine through? Jesus came to show us how to live. We must constantly look back at his example.

*‘We often make do with looking at the ground...I wonder if we still know how to look up at the sky? Do we know how to dream, to long for God, to expect the newness he brings, or do we let ourselves be swept along by life, like dry branches before the wind?’*

Pope Francis

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