

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY YEAR B

31ST DECEMBER 2023

PSALM RESPONSE

He, the Lord is our God,
he remembers his covenant for ever.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
At various times in the past
and in various different ways,
God spoke to our ancestors
through the prophets;
but in our own time, the last days,
he has spoken to us through his Son .
Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Our God has appeared on the earth,
and lived among us.



Wishing you all a happy and Holy
Christmas and God's blessing on us all
for the New year.



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SAFEGUARDING - The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies and procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Mrs Epi Pfunde and Miss Lilli Pace. They can be contacted at sg.olol.kingswinford@racob.org.uk or sg.stmary.brierleyhill@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 / safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT YEAR B

24TH DECEMBER 2023

PSALM RESPONSE

I will sing forever of your love, O Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the handmaid of the Lord:
let what you have said be done unto me.
Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Behold, a Virgin shall conceive and bear a son;
and his name will be called Emmanuel.



Advent B1	Psalter week 4	Intention/Info
Sunday 23rd/24th 4th Sunday of Advent	5pm Mass KF 9.45am Mass BH	People of the Parish Pat and David Horner
Sunday 24th First Mass of Christmas	5.30pm KF 6pm Mass KF 6.30pm BH 7pm Mass BH	Carols Joshua Garbett Carols Sr Edith
Monday 25th Christmas Day	9.45am Mas BH 10am Mass KF	Sr Margaret Brian and Beryl Curran
Tuesday 26th St Stephen	10am Mass BH	Altar servers
Wednesday 27th St John	NO MASS	————
Thursday 28th Holy Innocents	NO MASS	————
Friday 29th St Thomas Becket	10am Mass KF 10.30am-11am KF	K C Joseph Adoration and Confessions
Saturday 30th	5pm Mass KF	People of the Parish
Sunday 30th /31st Feast of the Holy Family	5pm Mass KF 9.45am Mass BH	People of the Parish Alexandra Mackiewicz
Monday 1st Mary, Mother of God	10am Mass KF	NV Thomas and KJ Joseph
Tuesday 2nd Ss Basil and Gregory	7pm KF	Novena
Wednesday 3rd Most Holy Name of Jesus	10am Mass BH 10.30am-11am BH	Jenson
Thursday 4th		
Friday 5th	10am Mass KF 10.30am-11am KF 6.30pm-7pm BH 7pm Mass BH	Mohsen Nassralla Adoration and Confessions Adoration and Confessions Keralan Mass
Saturday 6th	5pm Mass KF	Gordon Tranter
Sunday 6th/7th Epiphany of the Lord	5pm Mass KF 9.45am Mass BH	Gordon Tranter People of the Parish

SECOND COLLECTIONS - None this week, next week for Church Maintenance. Christmas offerings are for the Parish Priest.

Please pray for all those whose have died recently especially Maureen Southall, those on our December and January deceased lists and for all those whose anniversaries occur this month. May they all rest in peace.

Please pray for all those who are sick including Brian Saunders, Christine, Maureen Southall, Marlene and Tony Lyons, Deacon John Brindley, Ian Manley, Noel O'Reilly, Georgina Czuk, Martha Jones, Mavis Geach, Sheila Rowley, Roger Ward, Pauline Bant, Jeanette Amphlett, Dorothy West, Kath Emery, Patricia Smith, Chris and Tony Rylands, Margaret List, Ken Lowe, Rob Bryan, Betty Storey and Connie Birch. May the Lord grant them hope and healing.

Collections BH GA £111.00 Loose £167.38 Sisters £113.05 Donation Keralan Mass £100.00 Papers £14.00 Holy Souls £8.85 Teas £23.65 Candles £72.66 Raffle £403.00 KF GA £86.00 Loose £160.22 Sisters £108.77

Tea/coffee after Mass - Please join Fr Shanju and stay for tea and coffee after Mass on Sunday morning at BH for a chat and a catch up. No teas at KF until further notice.

Altar servers Mass on Tuesday 26th December Feast of St Stephen we will have a Mass at BH for all the Altar servers and readers. Those Altar servers and readers who can participate please write your name on the list in the Sacristy for catering purposes. All are welcome to this Mass to encourage and support our Servers. **If you wish to make a donation to offer a meal on the day it will be appreciated.**

Thank you to Fr Mark Crisp, our Dean, who concelebrated Mass last Saturday at Kingswinford to award the Ubi Caritas medal to Keith Clark. Keith has read faithfully at Masses for the last 40 years along with singing in the choir and running the Piety stall. A parish stalwart we offer him our thanks and congratulations.

Missio - There are a few calendars left at the back of Church at KF if anyone would like to take one.

Christmas card donation received from Margaret and Michael Wakeman, Kieran, Mandy, Elaine and Lily-Rose Grisswell.

Raffle winners - Thank you to all those who bought tickets, we raised £403.00 for roof repairs at BH. The winners were Tracy Wood, Aidan Tompkins, Margaret Gilroy, Jo Griffin, Ian Manley, Elaine Gill and Brian Saunders.

Pope's prayer intention for December - For persons with disabilities - We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the centre of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programmes which value their active participation. Amen.