

Christmas Masses

The times for Masses on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day and Sunday 26th December will be as follows:

Christmas Eve

5.30pm Carols 6pm Mass Kingswinford

5.30pm Carols 6pm Mass Brierley Hill

Christmas Day

9.30am Mass Brierley Hill

10.30am Mass Kingswinford

10.30am Mass Old Hill

Sunday 26th December

9.45am Mass Brierley Hill

10am Mass Kingswinford

11.30am Mass Old Hill

Please note we have been restricted to the times and places of Masses by the availability of Priests and their many other commitments. It is a stark reminder of the urgent need to pray for Vocations and to pray for us to be willing and able to embrace the changes that will come our way. Things cannot stay as they have always been however much we might want them to.

*God grant me the serenity
To accept the things I cannot change;
Courage to change the things I can;
And wisdom to know the difference. Amen.*



Catholic Parishes of St Mary, Lady of Lourdes



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SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

5TH DECEMBER 2021

PSALM RESPONSE

What marvels the Lord worked for us!
Indeed we were glad.

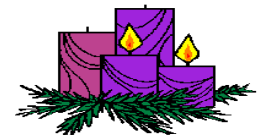
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
Prepare a way for the Lord,
make his paths straight,
and all mankind shall see the salvation of God.
Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Jerusalem, arise and stand upon the heights,
and behold the joy which comes to you from God.

"The Lord will come and he will not delay. He will illumine what is hidden in darkness and reveal himself to all the nations" (Roman Missal)



Advent (C2)	Psalter week 2	Intention/Info
Sunday 4th/5th Second Sunday of Advent	Sat 5pm Mass KF 9.45am Mass BH 11.30am Mass OH	Kathleen Madigan People of the Parish Gilligan Family
Monday 6th		
Tuesday 7th St Ambrose	10am Mass OH 10.30am-11am OH 7.30pm KF	Maria Hue Adoration and Confessions Novena
Wednesday 8th Immaculate Conception	10am Mass BH 10.30am-11am BH	Fr George Adoration and Confessions
Thursday 9th	9am Mass School	School intention
Friday 10th	10.30am -11am KF 11am Mass KF	Adoration and Confessions Healing
Saturday 11th		
Sunday 11th/12th Third Sunday of Advent	Sat 5pm Mass KF 9.45am Mass BH 11.30am Mass OH	Colum Keating Mabel and Francis Clarence People of the Parish

Please pray for all those whose have died recently especially Eliyama Elizabeth Koottakaithayil, Patricia Gray, those on our December deceased lists and for all those whose anniversaries occur this month. May they all rest in peace.

BRIERLEY HILL: Craft Group Mon 6th December 2pm to 4pm in Parish Centre
OLD HILL FOODSHARE Tuesday mornings 11am -1pm
KINGSWINFORD: Friday 9.30 - 11.30am **Foodbank** .

Please pray for all those who are sick including Pauline Bant, Jeanette Amphlett, Dorothy West, Margaret Gilroy, Harold Shackley, Michael Rose, Jill Rowe, James Kearney, Barbara Masterman, Margaret Shipley, Tess Barnsley, Steve Dunn, Lynsey Cooper, Alec Huffer, Kath Emery, Patricia Smith, Roy Davies, Chris and Tony Rylands, Margaret List, Ken Lowe, Peggy Tromans, Rob and Ilona Bryan, Betty Storey, Connie Birch, Stella Jones, Margaret Marlowe, Don Neale, Anne Peters, Jackie Spittle, David Barnsley and Dawn Russon. May the Lord grant them hope and healing.

FOODBANKS - If you are able to donate to them they will be happy to accept your donations. The need is growing so donations are much needed and gratefully received.

SECOND COLLECTIONS - This week for Poor Parishes at all Churches next week for the Sisters

Christmas fayre OH thank you to all those who worked hard at the Christmas fayre, for all the donations and to all those who attended in support.

Christmas Raffle - BH Christmas raffle . Please return all stubs, monies and any unsold tickets next Sunday at the latest as we will draw the raffle after Mass. Thank you to those who have bought tickets and especially to Kingswinford for supporting us in this.

Sr Edith is off to Nigeria on Thursday for a well deserved holiday and reunion with her family. The good news (so she tells us) is she will be back, God willing! Please pray for her safe journey and safe return to us.

Gaudete Sunday Next Sunday at BH we will be welcoming into our Church Gary and Angelina who are preparing to be received in to the Church at Easter. There will be free mince pies after Mass with tea and coffee as the raffle is drawn. Please join us if you can and lets celebrate and “Rejoice”!

St Mary’s School Admissions Policy consultation is taking place on amending the Admissions policy for our Primary school which will now specifically include Baptised children from the Parish of Our Lady of Lourdes, OH. Copies of the covering letter are available at the back of Church and you can go online to view the proposed arrangements. If you wish to make any comment please contact the school. If anyone wants a hard copy please let the office know.

Confessions to avoid the last minute Christmas rush to attend Confession please remember Fr Shanju will hear confession every week on Tuesday at 10.30am at Old Hill. Wednesday at 10.30am at Brierley Hill and Friday at 10.30am at Kingswinford. There will also be Confessions at 7pm on Thursday 23rd December at Kingswinford.

Pope’s prayer intention for December:

Let us pray for catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God: may they be witnesses, with courage and creativity and in the power of the Holy Spirit.