Thank you to you all

We have had a well arranged and grace filled Christmas time. We could arrange everything for Christmas with the help of volunteers in both our Parishes. Thank you to you all for your support and effort. We had well attended Masses on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Thank you to Fr John Greatbatch and Fr Brendan Carrick for their help in our Parishes.

Moreover I appreciate your charity by donating towards the Christmas card. I am thankful to you all for your Christmas wishes, gifts and cards for me.

May I wish you a HAPPY and grace filled New Year of 2024. Hoping for your continued support,

Regards and prayers

Fr Shanju.





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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.brierley hill@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.

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7th January 2024

PSALM RESPONSE

All nations shall fall prostrate before you, O Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! We saw his star as it rose and have come to do the Lord homage. Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

We have seen his star in the East, and have come with gifts to adore the Lord.

Ordinary B1	Psalter week 1	Intention/Info
Sunday 6th/7th Epiphany	5pm Mass KF 9.45am Mass BH	Gordon Tranter People of the Parish
Monday 8th Baptism of the Lord	10am Mass KF	Grennan family
Tuesday 9th	NO MASS	
Wednesday 10th	10am Mass BH 10.30am-11am BH	Michael Grennan Adoration and Confessions
Thursday 11th	9am Mass School	School Intention
Friday 12th	10am Mass KF 10.30am-11am KF	Adoration and Confessions
Saturday 13th	5pm Mass KF	Patrick Madigan
Sunday 13th/14th 2nd Sunday of the year	5pm Mass KF 9.45am Mass BH	Patrick Madigan People of the Parish

Please pray for all those whose have died recently especially Maureen Southall, Jeanette Amphlett, Fr John Lungley, those on our 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, Marlene and Tony Lyons, Deacon John Brindley, Ian Manley, Noel O'Reilly, Georgina Czuk, Martha Jones, Mavis Geach, Sheila Rowley, Roger Ward, Pauline Bant, 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 24/12 GA £25.00 Loose £110.46 31/12 GA £28.00 Loose £175.29 Maintenance £104.19 KF 23/12 GA £79.00 Loose £307.58 Holy Places £10.00 30/12 GA £100.00 Loose £251.50 Holy Places £34.60

SECOND COLLECTIONS - This week for Church Maintenance next week for Pax Christi .

BRIERLEY HILL: Craft Group Mon 2pm to 4pm in Parish Centre **KINGSWINFORD:** Friday 9.30 - 11.30am **Foodbank**.

FOODBANKS - If you are able to donate to them they will be happy to accept your donations as the need is growing.



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.

Thank you to Sade, Jemima and Jaden's Mum, for providing gift bags for the children at Christmas. A lovely, kind thought and much appreciated.

Congratulations to Jide and Reese at BH on receiving their medals for enrolment into the guild of St Stephen. The Mass was celebrated on the Feast of St Stephen and was followed by food in the parish centre. A big thank you to all the Altar servers and readers from both KF and BH who attended and to all those who helped in any way on the day.

Kath Emery, a well known parishioner at BH celebrated her 100th birthday on 4th January. Many congratulations and prayerful wishes to Kath.

Non Gift aid envelopes - if you do not pay income tax but would like to use a set of envelopes for the offertory collection, these are now available at the back of each Church. Please help yourself.

Funerals The funeral of Fr John Lungley will take place on Thursday 11th Jan at Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, Wolverhampton at 11.30am.

The funeral of Jeanette Amphlett will take place at KF on Monday 15th Jan at 12.30pm

The funeral of Maureen Southall will take place on Thursday 25th Jan at KF at 10.30am

Please keep them and their families in your prayers at this sad time.

Pope's prayer intention for January - For the gift of diversity in the Church -We pray that the Holy Spirit may help us to recognise the gift of different charisms within the Christian community and to discover the richness of different ritual traditions within the Catholic Church Amen.