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FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT 23RD December 2018 - Year C



St. Andrew's Primary & Nursery Sch. Windrush Close, B92 8QL

Tel: 0121 743 5675. Head Teacher: Mr Kevin Kelly

Masses

5:30pm Sat 8:30am Sun

Sarah Tempest, RIP Anniv. Manuel Veranani, RIP Tom & Anna O'Keefe, Ints 10:30am

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Mon 24th Christmas Eve

9:00am Johanna & Jimmie Kett Confessions after 9:00am Mass and 2:00-3:00pm First Mass of Christmas

Connor Rhodes and 5:30pm

Harold, Josie & Noel Whittall, RIP.

Midnight Mass People of the Parish

Preceded by Carols

from 11:30pm
Tue 25th SOLEMNITY OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

Jerry Creighton, RIP 8:30am

10:30am Deceased of Larkin & King Families Wed 26th

Feast of St Stephen

Andrew & David O'Gorman RIP 10:00am

Thur 27th Feast of St John

9:00am Joanne McMahon & Family Ints.

Fri 28th Feast of the Holy Innocents

Dennis Collins, RIP Anniv. 9:00am

NO EVENING MASS Sat 29th **Feast of St Thomas Becket**

9:00am Teresa Caffrey, RIP

Mass Intentions for Next Weekend

Sat 5:30pm Sun 8:30am

Catherine Rooney, RIP Anniv. Liam & Bridie Evans, RIP

10:30am Hugh Hanratty, Ints

Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour -

Monday during 9:00am mass. Rosary is recited daily after Morning Mass. Eucharistic Adoration During All Night Vigil Thurs 27th Dec-Fri 28th Dec. Sat 4:25-5:05pm. Morning Prayer of the Church: Mon 8:45am, Wed 9:45am. Thur, Fri, Sat 8:45am

Sacrament of Confession: See Christmas Services Opposite Also Sat 9:30-10:00am and 4:30-5:00pm

Recently Deceased:

Brian Quigley, Funeral Mass, Fri 4th Jan, 11:30am. May he rest in peace

A Big Thank you to all who supported our Grand Christmas Draw, It raised a Magnificent £3,354. Thanks to all who donated prizes, and who helped with the refreshments etc. Congratulations to the Winners!

Fr Kamil Stawiski

His Grace, Archbishop Bernard, has indicated that he is very pleased with the work Fr Kamil is doing amongst us and with the way that we have all made him welcome. The plan at the moment is that Fr Kamil will stay in St Thomas More's parish for at least another year. I am delighted with this development- Fr Kamil is a great support. Fr Dougal likes the extra walks!

Parish Societies:

SVP - Second Saturdays, 9:45am Legion of Mary This Thursday 6:00pm Choir Practice: None this week Thursday Club Resumes 10th. Jan 2019 Journey in Faith Resumes 7th. Jan 2019

Journey in Faith on Mondays at 7:00pm in the parish centre. The talks will resume on Monday 7th. Jan., 2019. It is not too late to join. Those joining the group at this stage and who are seeking Baptism and/or reception into the Church would receive the Sacraments at Pentecost.

We welcome into the family of our Parish Tommy Dobbins and Harry Lamb baptised last week.

Legion of Mary –General Meeting Times Adult Group - Thurs Eves 7:45pm Junior Group - Friday Eves 5:45pm Both meet in the Parish Centre. Junior School Groups St Thomas More's, Mondays ,3:30pm St Andrew's, Thurs 3:45pm

New Year's Eve Holy Hour, Mon Dec 31st., 11:00pm, concluding with Benediction at Midnight.



Grand Prize Draw, Took Place last Sunday A List of the prize winners is up in the porch and by the Side Door.

Many Thanks to everyone Who supported the Draw.

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS - 16/12

Gift Aid £150.00 ~Non-GA £465.73

Children's Liturgy Group - £356.86

This Weekend - 5:30 for Fireside

8:30 & 10:30 Flowers for Christmas

Next Weekend - Retiring for Clergy

Training Fund

The collection taken at the

Christmas Services will be the

customary collection for your

parish clergy. Christmas Offering

envelopes are available.

St. Thomas More's Parish Tote

JACKPOT NOW £1,350

05-13-18-19

Next draw will take place

Result for 18/12/18

On Mon 24th Dec after morning Mass

Our Crib Offerings this year will be donated to Fireside (SIFA) and Friends of the Holy Land

Available in the porch until 29 Dec, 2 Catholic dictionaries dated 1893 FREE to interested book worms.

Christmas posters supplied by the Knights of St Columba, please take one home and display in a window.

Parish Epiphany Party

Sat 5th Jan 2019 after 5:30pm Mass. Drinks will be provided, but please indicate on the sign-up sheet what food items you can bring. The Party will serve as a reunion for the Holy Land Pilgrims and there will also be our monthly bingo!

Pilgrimages:

Knock – Led by Mgr Daniel McHugh 27th April – 2nd May 2019 Oberammergau – For the Famous

Passion play 23rd-30th May 2020. Fatima – 10th-16th July 2019 £632. More info on all the above in porch

Porch Christmas Tree

Please write an intention on a star or angel and place on the porch Christmas tree. The intentions will be prayed for at the Christmas Masses

Volunteers needed to help decorate the church for Christmas, after 9:00am Mass on Christmas Eve. Your help will be appreciated. Thanks to everyone who helped with the cleaning of the church last Wednesday.

The Piety Stall have a large collection of Christmas Cards, Calendars, Diaries and Gifts available. Please come and have a browse. We are open before and after all weekend Masses Sat 5:30pm Sun 8:30am/10:30am **Diocesan Directories**, 2019 are now available Price:£2-75.

All Night Vigil here at St Thomas More's for all affected by abortion. Thurs 27th Dec, 10pm - concluding with Mass of the Holy Innocents, 6am, Fri 28th Dec. Please come and pray to make reparation to the Sacred Heart for the sins of abortion and to pray for healing for all affected by abortion.

St Stephen's Day Mass, Wed 26, 10am. All Altar Servers are asked to attend, with their families. New servers who have been serving regularly at weekend Masses can be enrolled in the Guild of St Stephen.

HCPT Group 148 would like to offer a place for a child in our Parish to travel to Lourdes in April 2019, ideally a child that has not travelled to Lourdes before. A child in Year 1 at St Thomas More's is willing to take up this kind offer. His name is Bobby **Humphries.** Please keep him and his family

Fr John, Fr Kamil and, of course, Fr Dougal

in your prayers.

wish you all every blessing for this forthcoming holy season of Christmas- and good health and happiness in 2019. May the infant of Bethlehem fill our hearts with His Peace.

SICK:

Hugh Murphy, Chris O'Shea, Mary Marie, Magda Skrybant, Pam Firkins, Cornelius McKay, Rosie Smith, Peter Fahy, Joseph Fahy, Joan Morris, Sally Woodcock, Joseph Lockington, Montana Coughlan, Stephanie Allsop, Maria Walton, Cameron Cuddihy, Ann Taylor, Richard Coe, Etti Devine, Nora Mills, Daniel Meadows, Darlene Tideswell, Freya Williams, James Dalton, Paul Ryan, Mary Griffiths, John O'Sullivan, Elaine Collins, Lilian Collins, Gillian Cox, Josephine Conboy, Rita Duffy, Margaret Kelly, Joanna Jones, Michael Wallis, Val Plesser, Jean Cole, Charlotte Moriarty, Ami Mucklow, Danny Moore, Jeanette Kilmartin, Demie & Danielle Pinches, Jack Baker, Santhamma Abraham, Mary Cusack, Kathleen Widdop, Kathleen Biddles, Baby Jacob, Anne O'Donnell, Justin Bull, Annie Mortimer, Padraig Mannion, Hugh Hanratty, David Comerford, Margaret Bond, Ann Heath, Keith Allen, Andrea Cadman.

ANNIVERSARIES: Mgr Canon Flint, Fr Wall, Fr Ireland, Bishop Thomas, Mgr Gavin, Fr Meagher, Fr Murphy, Mgr O'Mahoney, Fr McCabe, Fr McInerney, Fr O'Callaghan, Fr Etherington, Daniel McGuire, Hannah White, Stanley Clarke, Maureen Carroll, George Wodley, Bridie Maher, Margaret Brennan, Kathleen Phillips, Anthony Quinn, David Corcoran, Patricia Bowen, Moira Gilsenan, Mary Bostock, Winifred Cross, Henry Turriff, Teresa Caffrey, Leslie McGovern, John Bilston, Mary Gibbons, Joseph Caffrey, Anthony Chedotal, Anthony Clarke, Robert Polke, Stuart Jones, James O'Hanlon.



	Rotas for 30 th December 2018			
		5:30pm	8:30am	10:30am
Readers:		D	D	G
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:		D	С	D
Cleaning:		C.Carr, A.Walsh		
Counting:		J.O'Malley, B.Owens, B.Winspear		
Brasses:		S.Garner		