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## **IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**

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## **HOLY TRINITY**

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#### ST JOHN PAUL II CENTRE

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## BREVIARY: WEEK 2 OF PSALTER (YEAR A) SATURDAY 4TH JANUARY TO SUNDAY 12TH JANUARY 2020

Sunday Masses can be viewed live on YouTube, click on the link on our website.

The Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham: Registered Charity No: 234216



DECEMBER	TIME	IMMACULATE CONCEPTION	TIME	HOLY TRINITY	INFORMATION	
SATURDAY 4TH	10.15 AM	Service of the Word with Holy Communion			Christmas Feria	
	5.15 PM	ROSARY				
	6.00 PM	Tom Hattam (RIP)				
SUNDAY 5TH	9.30 AM	People of the Parish	8.00 AM	People of the Parish	SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHAN	
	11.00 AM	John & Joan Calnan (RIP)			OF THE LORD	
MONDAY 6TH	12 NOON	Ints of Jane, Guy, Sue & Dale	9.30 AM	Holy Souls	Christmas Feria	
TUESDAY 7TH	9.30 AM	Holy Souls		NO MASS	Christmas Feria	
	2.00 PM	Divine Mercy Chaplet			Church	
WEDNESDAY 8TH	9.30 AM school	Bernie Stewart (RIP)		NO MASS	Christmas Feria	
THURSDAY 9TH	9.30 AM	Holy Souls		NO MASS	Christmas Feria	
FRIDAY 10TH	9.30 AM	Ursula Steel (RIP)		NO MASS	Christmas Feria	
	10am-11.45am	Coffee Morning			ST JPII CENTRE	
SATURDAY 11TH	9.30 AM (BP)	Prisoners and their families		NO MASS	Christmas Feria	
	10.15 AM	Service of the Word with Holy Communion				
	5.15 PM	ROSARY				
	6.00 PM	Ints of John Dunn				
SUNDAY 12TH	9.30 AM	Ints of Rachel Smith	8.00 AM	People of the Parish	FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD	
	11.00 AM	People of the Parish followed by Baptism				

## This Weekend's Liturgy of the Word:



Today we hear once again the story of the wise men who embarked on a long and hazardous journey in search of the Christ-child. What made them wise? It was the fact that, whereas his own people didn't want to know him, they recognised this Child as the Saviour of the world.

**First Reading** (Isaiah 60: 1-6). The exiles returned from Babylon to find Jerusalem in ruins. The prophet cheers them up with a vision of a

restored city. Her scattered children will return, and numerous strangers will come there to worship the true God.

**Second Reading** (Ephesians 3:2-3.5-6). Paul reveals the truth that God invites all, both Jew and Gentile, to share on an equal footing the salvation brought by Christ.

**Gospel** (Matthew 2:1-12). This tells how three strangers came from a far country to pay homage to the Christ-child, while the Jewish leaders rejected him.



CONFESSIONS

Saturday 10.45 am - 11.30am 5pm – 5.30pm

> ROSARY After weekday Masses

**Divine Mercy** Tuesday 2.00pm

COFFEE & TEA IC Sunday's After 9.30am and 11am Masses HT after 8am Mass



Canon John Y Batthula - Parish Priest & Dean

## **IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**

CATENIANS: Contact Peter Sims 01869 249638.
TRADECRAFT: Open 3rd weekend of month
100 CLUB DRAW: Last Sunday of the month
RCIA Tuesdays, in the St John Paul II from
8pm-9pm from Nov-April.

<u>The Scripture/Prayer Group</u> 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday in the month. Janet Marshall on 07434930992.

**CAMEO LADIES GROUP**: Meet at Kings Arms, last Saturday of the month at 10.30am for coffee, cake & chat. Do join us!

COFFEE MORNINGS: Friday Jan 10th 10am-

11.45am.

LUNCHES: Tuesday 12 noon on Jan 21st.



# LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:

K Cashman, Tim Charles, Joyce Thornley, Mary Ashley, John Dunn.



<u>HOLY BIBLES:</u> During this 'Year of the Word' I would like to encourage parishioners to read the Holy Bible everyday, consider maybe reading before your evening meal with your family. Bibles are for sale in the Piety Shop, at £12.00 each.

<u>PARISHIONER FORMS</u> If you are new to the parish we would love to know that you are here! Please take a moment to fill out the form which can be found a the back of church and deliver completed to any of the clergy or parish office. Thank you.

<u>COFFEE MORNING</u> The first Coffee Morning of the new year will be on Friday, 10th January from 10am to 11.45am in the St John Paul II Centre. We look forward to seeing you there!

<u>CATHOLIC NEWSPAPERS</u> Please contact the newspapers directly to arrange subscriptions.

<u>VOLUNTEERS NEEDED</u> Volunteers are needed in a variety of church tasks, we rely heavily on people's good will, kindness and precious time. Perhaps you might consider making a new year's resolution in helping your church? We are currently seeking more volunteers and helpers for: Coffees after Sunday Masses, church cleaners, choir members, readers, welcomers, food bank sorting, JPII helpers, tradecraft stall and gardeners. If you can help in any way, on a regular basis please contact the Parish Office on admin@immaculate-conception.org.uk

**<u>CRIB & TREE DISMANTLE</u>** We are looking for a couple of helpers to help dismantle the crib and tree on Tuesday after morning mass. Please just turn up if you can spare an hour. Thank you.

<u>100 CLUB</u> Christmas Draw: £100 Bell Family 90. December Winners: Martin Donaghy 78. £50 Patricia King 26. £25 John Dunn 50. The remaining numbers are: 30, 39, 43, 61, 94, 96 - contact <u>paulcous@yahoo.com</u> for details if you would like to join.

**SYMPATHY** Please pray for the repose of the soul of Gerard Quigley. We extend our very deepest sympathy to all her family. A funeral service will be held on Wednesday 22nd January at 11am followed by cremation at Banbury Crematorium. *May he rest in peace. Pray for all those who have died and for all who mourn.* 

<u>SR SHERLY</u> Sr Sherly has this week, returned to re-join her community in India after nearly 2 years in Bicester. She would like to thank you all for your kindness and prayers during her time here. Sr Anu will be joining Srs Rose & Sani in February.



#### Teams for 5/1 12/1 18/1 26/1 2/2 9/2 Sunday the Counting (7) 4 5 6 1 3 Cleaning (7) no 5 Children lit. (5) 2 4 5 3 2 Coffee 9.30am (14) 10 11 12 13 8 Tradecraft

## **HOLY TRINITY - HETHE**

<u>Deceased parishioners:</u> Please pray for our deceased parishioners whose anniversaries occur about now: Jane Walker. Thomas Busby, James Chard, Isabel Trevor, Fergus Ferris.

<u>Friday Mass</u> will not be offered during January while Canon John is away but Monday Mass will continue at 9.30am.

<u>Monday Films</u> will resume after 9.30am Mass on January 13th in St Philip's Hall.

<u>Continental breakfast</u> is available this morning, the first Sunday of the month, in St Philip's Hall after 8.00am Mass. All welcome.

Attendance: 17. Cash collection £47.80.

Hethe	5/1	12/1	18/1	26/1	2/2	9/2	16/2	23/2
Lector Counters	J Grant	D McDermott	V Barnes	N Hasser	K D'Silva	P Lee	R Deane	J Grant

## Prayer for the "Year of the Word"

Living God, you walk alongside us and speak to us throughout the Scriptures. Your Son, Jesus Christ, listens to our hopes and

fears and shows us how to live for one another. Send us the Holy Spirit to open our hearts and minds so that we may be your witnesses throughout the world. *Amen* 

V. Your word is our path and your truth is our light.

R. This day and every day.

Our Lady of the Annunciation

Pray for us

St Matthew

Pray for us

St Jerome

Pray for us

## Pope Francis's Prayer Intention for January 2020

This month we are asked to step outside our comfort zones and look at what other people believe with fresh eyes. Together we stand a better chance of creating a better world. Pope Francis asks us to ".... Pray that Christians, followers of other religions, and all people of goodwill may promote peace and justice in the world."



SECOND COLLECTIONS

JANUARY & FEBRUARY

Parish Maintenance

The Crib Collection this Christmas will go towards

Missions Together (Missio)

Thank you in advance for your generosity



# PARISH OFFERINGS

1st GA: £102.50 Loose:£530.18 2nd GA:£30.25 Loose:£211.10 Total: £774.03 + Standing Orders

With thanks for all your generosity to the Parish and to charity.

This weekend: 5/1	Extrao. Min	Extrao. Min	Extrao. Min	Extrao. Min	Lector	Lector	Welcomer	Welcomer	Offertory	Attendance last week
Saturday 6pm	B Thompson	M Kelly	I Foley	M John	P Kallay	Volunteer	Kallay	Family	<b>Kallay Family</b>	89
Sunday 9.30am	N Andrade	G Andrade	A Mutton	Clergy	L Taylor	S Taylor	Cousins	Family	Volunteers	170
Sunday 11am	F Ostrowski	O Panejko	Sr Rose	Clergy	R Evans	E Green	Ursuline	Sisters	Volunteers	158
Next weekend: 12/1									TOTAL	<u>417</u>
Saturday 6pm	J Marshall	S Wilde	K Gosling	J Varghese	J Franta	A Halja	Ursuline	Sisters	Volunteers	
Sunday 9.30am	C Conlon	C Conlon	B Nichols	Clergy	M Daniel	L Cleeve	K Riley	Cook Family	Volunteers	
Sunday 11am	Sr Rose	Sr Sani	Clergy	Clergy	H King	M Lawrence	M Lynch		Volunteers	