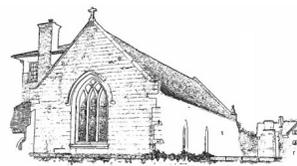


ST MARY'S CHURCH HARVINGTON, DY10 4LR



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Attendance at Masses must be booked in advance either by email at any time or by phone, on Monday 30th November from 10.00am until 12.00 noon.

Times of Holy Mass and Intentions

(YEAR B Readings)

Sunday 29 November **First Sunday of Advent**

Mass said privately for the intentions of Oliver Donaghey R.I.P.

Monday 30 November **Feast of St Andrew, Apostle**

Mass said privately for the intentions of Mrs M Woodward R.I.P.

Tuesday 1 December **Feast of St Edmund Campion, Priest, Martyr**

Mass said privately for the intentions of Mrs Spalding R.I.P.

Wednesday 2 December **Advent Feria**

11.00am *Mass intention for: The Steer Family*

Thursday 3 December **Memorial of St Francis Xavier, Priest**

Migrants' Day

11.00am *Mass intention for: A Private Intention*

Friday 4 December **Memorial of St John Damascene, Priest,
Doctor of the Church**

11.00am *Mass intention for: Stan Robson R.I.P.*

Saturday 5 December **Feast of St Birinus, Bishop**

10.00am *Mass intention for: Mr Bostock R.I.P.*

Sunday 6 December **Second Sunday of Advent**

8.30am *Mass intention for: The People of The Parish*

11.00am *Mass intention for: A Private Intention*

Anniversaries in November: Isabella Ilsley (1866), Laurence Ruck (1916), John Munster (1916), Rev Philip Roskell (1930), Rev Dr Charles Eagle (1947), Cuthbert Watts (1965), Denis Lovekin (1984), Edna Mercer (1983), Ivor Mortiboy (1998), Harold Sanders, Katherine Martin (2002), Sarah Millard (2002), Marie Baylis (2003), Min Young (2003), Grace Haydon (2004), Siobhan James-Moore (2005), Gerard Fox (2007), Rev David Higham (2008), Stephen Pritchard (2008), Julian Davies (2008), James William Finney (2009), Gertrude Mary Savage (2011), James O'Brien (2012) Colin Atwell (2014), Roger Adey (2016), Veronica Mitchell (2018), Oliver Donaghey (2019)

In your prayers please remember parishioners and friends who are sick: Kathleen Clark, Peter Handley, Lucinda Robinson, Lionel Cornish, Pat Taylor

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Contributions to the Parish:

Weekly Offertory received for the week ending 22nd November

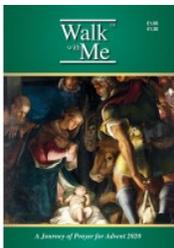
Gift Aid Direct Debits £316.00

Whilst not attending church in person, parishioners who normally use Gift Aid envelopes may wish to:

- save donations in cash until they can be handed in at church
- **or** write a cheque and deliver/post your donation to St Mary's
- **or** set up a standing order using the form on the Diocesan website.

Download, print, complete and sign by hand then send it for the attention of Amalia Costanzo, St Mary's RC Church, Harvington Hall Lane, Harvington Worcs. DY10 4LR

<https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/Handlers/Download.ashx?IDMF=90f11d7d-ebb4-4d07-b64e-9f38e324225b>



WALK WITH ME Advent Booklets and Calendars are available for collection on exit from Church. Please take one. Contributions towards the cost are welcome but not obligatory. We would rather they were used than not used!

The Advent edition of the diocesan publication **THE SOWER** will be ready for collection from church from Saturday 5th December and is available from now onward in digital format from:

<https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/diocesan-magazine>.



In line with Government regulations aimed to delay and avoid the spread of Coronavirus, Covid-19 celebrations of **Mass** have not been permitted in public in any setting in England since Thursday 5th November 2020 but are allowed to **resume on Wednesday 2nd December**.



Please note: We are very pleased so many people have been attending Masses here at St Mary's during these past few months when restrictions have been in place. On some occasions the church has been full to capacity and so in future, to avoid disappointment, places at **ALL MASSES must be booked in advance**. This may be done by email:

stmarysrc.harvington@gmail.com at any time or by phone 01562 777319.

Just for this week telephone bookings will be taken on Monday 30th November and Friday 4th December from 10.00am until 12.00 noon.

In future, telephone bookings will be taken on Friday mornings only.

Mass Readings may be found online:

- <https://www.alivepublishing.co.uk/daily-mass-readings/>
- <http://universalis.com/mass.htm>

Live-streaming of Masses is available from this website:

- <https://www.mcnmedia.tv/cameras/county/west-midlands>

The obligation for the faithful to attend Holy Mass on Sundays and Holydays of Obligation remains suspended. All the faithful are asked to make an Act of **Spiritual Communion**:

*My Jesus,
I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament.
I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there,
and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You.
Amen.*

Saint Alphonsus Liguori



The impact of Covid on Christians in the Holy Land is devastating as around 80% rely on the income from pilgrimages and tourists. Many have remained unemployed since March without any government support and face a bleak Christmas like no other. Friends of the Holy Land has launched a Christmas Appeal to raise funds to get Christian families in the Holy Land through a Christmas time without tourism and through the next 6 months by which time we hope pilgrims will return.

Please make your donation either by sending a cheque (made out to FHL) to Friends of the Holy Land, Farmer Ward Road, Kenilworth, Warwickshire CV8 2DH or through the website: www.friendsoftheholylan.org.uk/christmas.

As we approach Christmas and our thoughts turn to Bethlehem, FHL thank you for your generosity and prayers.

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Home-Start Wyre Forest would welcome gifts of NEW items delivered to the Scheme between 12th November and 14th December. Gifts will be provided for all children 0 – 18 years old and will be delivered to all Home-Start families by Home-Start Wyre Forest Staff before Christmas. Donations of money would also be gratefully received by the charity who will put it to good use in supporting the needs of some of our most vulnerable, local families. Details of how to do this and to find out more about the work of Home-Start please refer to their website:

www.homestartwyreforest.org.uk

For those of you who would like to donate a gift/s, please take to one of Home-Start's drop off points. Please do not bring goods to church this year.

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KIDDERMINSTER FOOD BANK:

Donations of money are always welcomed by this local charity. Cheques made payable to 'Kidderminster Food Bank' may be sent to:

**Mrs Denise Carson, Kidderminster Foodbank Treasurer,
20 Whitehill Road, Kidderminster, Worcs. DY11 6JJ**

To find out more about the work of the **Kidderminster Foodbank** and ways in which you can support their work, go to their website:

<https://kidderminster.foodbank.org.uk/>

THANK YOU in anticipation!



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For just five minutes a day throughout Advent, you are invited to listen to a series of chapters on The Jesus Prayer, an ancient spiritual practice, not unlike the Rosary, which is familiar to eastern Christians, both Catholic and Orthodox, and to an increasing number those who are discovering it for the first time.

Open a spiritual Advent calendar every day with a short, [daily YouTube video](#) on the Jesus Prayer, with an invitation to pray the prayer together in preparation for the coming of Our Lord Jesus Christ at Christmas.

The Jesus Prayer is the Gospel in a prayer – all you need to pray with us are some Rosary beads and a place to be quiet.

New chapters will be uploaded every day so you can sign up for our daily email to receive notifications, or [subscribe to our YouTube channel](#)
First video will be posted 1st December. Videos will only be available until 31st December 2020.

Copy and paste this address to subscribe to the daily Advent email:
<https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/advent-retreat-the-jesus-prayer>

We look forward to making this retreat with you!

In His Holy Name,

Paul and Natalie (Evangelisation Office)

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