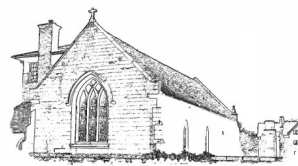


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MASSES THIS WEEK

Sunday 12 February

8.30am

10.30am

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass intention for: Parishioners of the Parish

Mass intention for: Linda Fuller

Monday 13 February

No Public Mass today

Feria in Ordinary Time

Mass intention for: Private Intention

Tuesday 14 February

10.00am

Feast of St Cyril, Monk, and

St Methodius, Bishop, Patrons of Europe

Day of Prayer for Europe

Mass intention for: Private Intention

Wednesday 15 February

10.00 am

Feria in Ordinary Time

Mass Intention for: Private Intention

Thursday 16 February

11.00am

Feria in Ordinary Time

Mass Intention for: Stan Robson R.I.P.

Friday 17 February

11.00am

Memorial of the Seven Founders of the Order of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Mass Intention for: Private Intention

Saturday 18 February

10.00am

Memorial of Our Lady on Saturday

Mass Intention for: Private Intention

The **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confession)** is available in church following this Mass and by appointment at other times.

Sunday 19 February

8.30am

10.30am

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Day for the Unemployed

Mass intention for: Parishioners of the Parish

Mass intention for: Pippa and James Raeside

Anniversaries in February: Rev Charles Dodd (1742), Rev James Layfield (1756), Stanhope Pedley (1938), Agnes Drinkwater (1938), Pierce Bradley (1987), Tony Goodyear (1988), Pauline Jack (1992), Jeffrey Nichols (2003), Gertrude Higham (2003), Gerard O’Keeffe (2003), Rose Marie Villiers (2007), Mary Keane (2007), Gerry Costello (2012), Edmund Osborne (2013), Mandy Natalie Bridge (2016), Alan Cox (2016), Liam Buckley (2018), Jean Wilcox (2018), Michael Millard (2019), Vincent Glynn (2019), Dan Brown (2022), Kay Hildebrandt (2022)



In your prayers please remember those who are sick and asked for our prayers: Deirdre Brookes, Lionel Cornish, Beth Downing, Shirley Grant, Jane & Peter Handley, Elizabeth Howell, Angela MacGarrow, Ann Murphy, John & Ellen Mottram, Patricia Newton, Ann Parry, Karen Wright.

As a parish community we welcome requests for those in need of our prayers including for those who are unwell. **If the name is to be written and published in the newsletter**, we must be sure that the individual, or their representative, gives permission so their privacy is respected and for us to comply with data protection advice. Written consent forms may be found **in the yellow folder on the notice board in the porch**. When complete either hand it to Fr John, post through his front door or send by mail.



... for all your offerings and donations.

Contributions to the Parish: 29 January-5 February

Regular, weekly Gift Aid Direct Debit:	£316.00
Gift Aid Envelopes:	£133.00
Loose cash:	£268.05
Second Collection taken for Racial Justice	£250.12

Direct Debit, gift aid forms are available from the table in the porch. Please complete and either hand to Fr John or post through his house letterbox.

OFFERTORY DONATIONS on **SUNDAYS** will be taken in the pews. On **OTHER DAYS OF THE WEEK** offerings may be placed **in the basket on the sanctuary step in front of the altar**.

PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE MONEY OR ENVELOPES CONTAINING MONEY IN THE PORCH. If you should wish to make a donation when Mass is not taking place and the church is otherwise empty, please post your offering (in an envelope) in the letterbox in the door of the Priest’s House.



COVID PRECAUTIONS: Whilst there is no legal requirement to wear a face covering the government suggests that we still 'Consider wearing a face covering in crowded and enclosed spaces'. In addition, if members of the congregation would like to ensure social distancing they may use a 'Please Leave Space' sign (available in the porch) and place it on the seat beside them in their pew.

PARISH SAFEGUARDING OFFICER:

Valerie Nolan, sg.stmary.harvington@rcaob.org.uk

If you would like to speak to someone about Diocesan safeguarding and the Church’s work, please call 0121 230 6240. If you would like to speak to someone independent of the Church you can contact the NSPCC on 0808 800 5000.

PARISH HEALTH & SAFETY OFFICER: Peter Boszko, hs.stmary.harvington@rcaob.org.uk



Our collection for the local **FOOD BANK** takes place this weekend and will be delivered on your behalf to the Food Bank collection point in Kidderminster on **Monday 13 February**.

If you would prefer to donate money this will also be delivered on your behalf directly to the collection point. Please put cash or cheques (made payable to 'The Kidderminster Foodbank') in an envelope marked '**KIDDERMINSTER FOOD BANK**' and put it in the Offertory collection at Mass or, at other times, post through the letter box in the door of the Priest's House.

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Three years ago, around this time, we were in the wonderfully happy position of enjoying **CUPS OF TEA AND COFFEE in one another's company IN THE STABLE AFTER MASS EACH SUNDAY**. That was before our lives were turned upside down and all such social meetings were put on hold to avoid spreading Covid-19. In the meantime, the local rodent wildlife found their way into the cosy comfort of the stable and settled in!

They have now moved on and we hope to resume our post-Mass, Sunday get togethers from **Sunday 26 February** onward. To do this we need teams of volunteers, working in pairs each Sunday to take responsibility for setting up, making and serving drinks etc, clearing away and cleaning the kitchen area. This is an 'equal opportunities' job, open to all genders and anyone over the age of sixteen! **Please add your name to the list on the clipboard on the porch table and a rota will be organised for the coming months.**

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Many parishioners will remember the good friends of St Mary's, **Heather and George Race**, who relocated to South Africa four years ago. The happy news is that they are back in the UK and will be attending the **8.30am Mass at St Mary's on Sunday 19 February** and afterwards would be very pleased to catch up with all old friends from St Mary's in the tea rooms at Rowberry's .

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The Harvington **BOOK GROUP** are reading *The Penelopiad* by Margaret Atwood and will meet to discuss the book on **Monday 13 February at 9.30am in the Stable**. Newcomers welcome!

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The Harvington **CRAFT GROUP** are meeting at Rowberry's, Chaddesley Corbett on **Wednesday 15 February at 1.30pm**. You are warmly invited to come along for a coffee, a chat and a relaxing afternoon. If you want to, you are very welcome to join in with the Group as they continue to make tapestry cushions for the church pews.

CAFOD SYRIA-TURKEY EARTHQUAKE APPEAL



CAFOD is responding with support of provision of food, water, shelter, medical assistance and winter kits for survivors.

Your donations in recent months have made that quick response possible. Let us join CAFOD in praying for our sisters and brothers affected by the earthquakes and the winter weather. Your support for CAFOD throughout the year

allows our Catholic agency to act quickly when disasters strike. For more details visit CAFOD's Syria Turkey Emergency Appeal online at <https://cafod.org.uk/give>.

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SPECIAL CONCERT IN ST MARY'S

Harvington Hall is holding it's first fund-raising History Festival this July with superb speakers (incl Alison Weir, Jessie Childs & Tracy Borman) and a wonderful concert

of music for eight professional singers performing secretly composed Elizabethan Catholic music of Byrd, Tallis, Farrant and others **here in St Mary's, 28 July** but we need some extra funding (approx £500) to make this concert viable & keep ticket pricing reasonable. If you feel you could help with this funding, and would like to dedicate the concert to the memory of a loved one, please contact Hilary Boszko 01562 884821 or email: boszko@blueyonder.co.uk asap to discuss.

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Regular attendee at weekday Masses, Gaynor Smith would like to introduce herself :



My name is Gaynor Smith and I have recently moved to Bewdley from Coventry with my husband Martin. I am a guide at Harvington Hall, where I enjoy relating to visitors the inspiring story of the faith, hope and daring of Catholic recusant families, during the times of religious persecution.

I am a member of the Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham. The Ordinariate was set up by Pope Benedict XVI in his vision of Christian unity, to help former Anglicans join the Catholic Church, bringing with them treasures of music, art and liturgy retained in the Anglican tradition.

In 2016 I joined the Benedictine Adorers of the Sacred Heart of Jesus of Montmartre, at Tyburn convent in London. As an oblate I follow the rule of St Benedict in work, prayer and study of scripture and the work of modern catholic authors, which enlightens my understanding of God's plan for us.

I love the saints and martyrs and how their love of God enabled them to face anything the world could throw at them, which is a great encouragement for us today.

Best Wishes Gaynor x