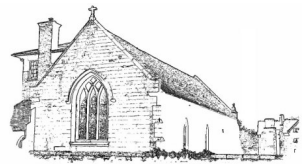


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MASSES THIS WEEK (with YEAR C Readings)

- Sunday 23 November** **Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ,
King of the Universe**
National Youth Sunday
* **8.30am** Mass intention for: *People of the Parish*
Today there is a second collection for National Youth Sunday
* **PLEASE NOTE this will be the only Mass at St Mary's on this day.**
*Fr Richard will also celebrate Mass at St Wulstan's, Stourport at 5.30pm on
Saturday (22nd) and 10.00am on Sunday (23rd).*
- Monday 24 November** **Memorial of St Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest,
and Companions, Martyrs**
No Mass at St Mary's today.
- Tuesday 25 November** **Memorial of St Catherine of Alexandria**
No Mass at St Mary's today.
- Wednesday 26 November** **Feria in Ordinary Time**
No Mass at St Mary's today.
- Thursday 27 November** **Feria in Ordinary Time**
No Mass at St Mary's today.
- Friday 28 November** **Feria in Ordinary Time**
No Mass at St Mary's today.
- Saturday 29 November** **Memorial of Our Lady on Saturday**
No Mass at St Mary's today.
- Sunday 30 November** **First Sunday of Advent**
** **8.30am** Mass intention for: *People of the Parish*
** **10.30am** *Mass Intention for: Private Intention*
On this day there will be a second collection for Poor Parishes of the Diocese.
** **PLEASE NOTE these times will be confirmed in the next newsletter**

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 (2002), 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), Ellen Kearns (2020), Sean McDermott (2021), Roger Ephraims (2021), John Newton (2022), Andrea Barker (2022)

In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of
MARIE (BRIDGET) ROCHFORD
who died recently
May she Rest In Peace.

In your prayers please remember those who are sick and asked for our prayers:
Deirdre Brookes, Shirley Burns, Norma Fox, Denise Grant, Shirley Grant, Peter Handley, Columb and Merryn Howell, Elizabeth Howell, Darren Jaye, Kath Lahive, Angela Magaro, Ann Murphy, John & Ellen Mottram, Catherine Neale, Kevin O'Connor, Ann Parry.

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THANK YOU for all your offerings and donations.
Contributions to the Parish: 9-16 Nov 2025:
Regular, weekly Gift Aid Direct Debit: £405.00
** Gift Aid Envelopes: £80.00
Loose cash: £215.40
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PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE MONEY OR ENVELOPES CONTAINING MONEY IN THE PORCH. If you 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.
**** DIRECT DEBIT, GIFT AID FORMS** are available from the folder on the notice board in the church porch. Please complete and either hand to Fr Richard or Fr John or put the Priest's House letterbox.

PARISH SAFEGUARDING: The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies and procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is **Valerie Nolan**. She can be contacted via: **sg.stmary.harvington@rcaob.org.uk** or alternatively, the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on: 01212306240 / **safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk** if you have any concerns.

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The emergency exit from the church is via the sacristy and through the house.



CHRISTMAS APPEAL: Home-Start Wyre Forest are helping Santa again this year and need **NEW (unwrapped)** presents **for young people aged 0-18 years**. Please be your usual generous selves and bring donations to Church up to and including **Sunday 30 November** and we will deliver them to the Home Start Wyre Forest headquarters on your behalf. If you would prefer to donate cash or a cheque, made payable to '**Home-Start Wyre Forest**', please put it in the Offertory collection **in an envelope marked HOME-START**. Donations will be passed directly to the Home-Start Treasurer.

THANK YOU in anticipation!

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The **HARVINGTON CRAFT GROUP** will be joining St Cassian's for their coffee morning on **Sat 29 November 10am -12noon**. Our Craft Group will have a stall there and will sell craft items and Christmas gifts made by the members.

On the following **Sunday, 7th December**, the Group will be selling wreaths, potted bulbs and Christmas table decorations in the stable at St Mary's after both Masses.

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CAROL SINGING AT "THE DOG"



We are all invited to **THE DOG** public house and restaurant, Harvington DY10 4LN, on **Monday 8th December** to sing Christmas Carols from **7.000pm**.

The management of The Dog are generously providing mince pies and glasses of mulled wine to help the festive spirit! and in return a collection will be taken in aid of the **Kidderminster Food Bank**. In addition, if parishioners would like to dine there that evening they will be offered a discount of 30% if they book a table in advance in person or by phone, 01562 777253. Quote "St Mary's" when booking.



On this **FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING**,
we celebrate
**NATIONAL YOUTH
SUNDAY**
in England and Wales.

It is a day where young people and their contribution to the Church is celebrated. This is also a day where the time, commitment, and love of volunteers in parishes and those involved in youth work across the diocese is celebrated.

The **second collection** in every parish on the feast of Christ the King is for the important work of the **Kenelm Youth Trust**, the Charity that provides for youth ministry in the Archdiocese of Birmingham.

In four parts, put simply, the Kenelm Youth Trust has two distinct retreat centres, Alton Castle serving young people in Key Stages 2 and 3 and Soli centre for youth ministry serving 14–25-year-olds. The third element is supporting school Chaplaincy through training and support offered by the Lay Chaplain Co-ordinator. Finally, Parish Youth Ministry is supported and developed by the Birmingham Catholic Youth Service, training volunteers, communicating opportunities, offering events, pilgrimage and retreats to young people and the adults who support them.

Over the last year alone, the Mission Team at Alton Castle and Soli Retreat Centre worked with more than 13,000 young people. KYT also offers national training in Mental Health First Aid, support parish volunteers, and provides ongoing formation for Lay Chaplains in schools. All part of helping young people live out their faith in everyday life.

Your generosity this World Youth Sunday directly supports this mission. Funding retreats, mission trips, pilgrimages, digital resources, youth leadership training, and so much more. Every donation, prayer, and act of encouragement helps the Church continue to thrive through its young people.

[World Youth Sunday 2025 | Birmingham Diocesan Trust](https://www.kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk/)

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