



Ss Mary and Modwen's Catholic Church

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Parish Office

Open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday
10.00am – 5.00pm

Parish Secretary: Margaret Barker

First Sunday of Advent - 1st December 2013

Year A - Readings for Mass are page 26.

Morning Prayer is said 20minutes before weekday Masses. Psalter Week 1.

Times of Mass and Intentions

Sunday 1st <i>First Sunday of Advent</i>	Mass	9.00am	<i>Brendan Bowe</i>
	Mass	11.00am	<i>George Swann</i>
	Polska Msza	2.00pm	<i>Polish Mass</i>
	Mass	6.00pm	<i>James Brereton</i>
Monday 2nd <i>Feria</i>	Mass	9.30am	<i>Private Intention (RB)</i>
Tuesday 3rd <i>St Francis Xavier</i>	Mass	9.30am	<i>Ann & Michael Horgan</i>
Wednesday 4th <i>Feria</i>	Mass Holy Hour	10.00am 6.00pm	<i>Tom & Gwen Giblin</i>
Thursday 5th <i>St Birinus</i>	Mass	9.30am	<i>Mary Conway (Successful Operation)</i>
		5.30pm	<i>Keralite Mass</i>
Friday 6th <i>Feria</i>	Mass at School	9.15am	<i>Holy Souls</i>
	Mass in Church	9.30am	<i>Mary Challoner</i>
Saturday 7th <i>St Ambrose</i>	Holy Hour	9.00am	<i>Henry Murray</i>
	Mass	10.00am	
	Confessions until	11.00am	
Sunday 8th <i>Second Sunday of Advent</i>	Mass	9.00am	<i>Blanche Hindson</i>
	Mass	11.00am	<i>Fr John O'Connell</i>
	Polska Msza	2.00pm	<i>Polish Mass</i>
	Mass	6.00pm	<i>Barbara Stubbs</i>



The Season of Advent
Come, Lord Jesus, come!



Please pray for all the sick and housebound of the Parish:

Kathleen Benson, David Hughes, Eileen Lee, Pat Bolton, Mary Burnside, David Hastilow, Maureen & Sidney Parker, Irene Hill, Olive Wilson, Eve Goode, Sarah Pursglove, Marjorie Staley, Marie Gibson, Martin Halligan, Martin Goddard, Merlin Joseph, Mary Hyde, Baby Katie, Betty Gould, Michael Wright, Tony Kerr-Delworth, Fr Bernard Shaughnessy, Mary Conway, Baby Tomasz Weedon, Kay Elizabeth Webster, Kirsty Freeman, Peter Hunt, Jonjo Finnegan, Michael Cobley, Russ Simpson, Brian Baldock, Joe & Marg Emery, Baby Niamh Rodriguez, Sylvia Breen, John Wain, Fr Rob Taylerson, Bob Holland, David Priest, Baby James Kersey, Baby Elsie Mae Freeman, Jean Jackson, Sr Mary Lobo, Anne Cope, Alastair Furness, Jim Riley.

Lord Grant Eternal Rest to those who have died recently:

Offertory Collection: £360.38 (non Gift Aid); £362.10(Gift Aid)

Standing orders £460 (Gift Aid) thank you for your generosity.

CAFOD Philippines Emergency Appeal - £1,594.60

Building & Development Fund –

Building & Development Fund running total: £27,173.66

This Weekend – Retiring Collection – Catholic Youth Service

Next Weekend – Retiring Collection – Poor Parishes Fund

15th December – Second Collection – Building & Development Fund

For Next Sunday 8th December: -

READERS

M Cain, R Taylor, S Radford

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Jerome Emery, J Ward, G Taylor

A Tuhey, J Elliott

J Mitcheson, C Bailey, T Joseph

TEA & COFFEE

Rose & Beckie, Mena & Denis, John & Cathy

CASHIERS

Mandy & Family

CHURCH CLEANING

Jane M, Graham & Maureen

FLOWERS

Advent No Flowers

PIETY SHOP

Anne, Marie, Sarah

THE SEASON OF ADVENT: Advent has a twofold character, for it is a time of preparation for the Solemnities of Christmas, in which the first coming of the Son of God is remembered, and likewise a time when hearts and minds are led to look forward to Christ's second coming. For these two reasons, Advent is a period of devout and expectant delight.

CHURCH READINGS:

The Sunday Readings are taken from Year A

The Weekday Readings are taken from Year 2

ADVENT CAROL SERVICE: Tuesday 17th December 7.00pm in Church. The Service will be led by the pupils and staff at St Modwen's School. All welcome.

ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICES: It is appropriate to prepare for Christmas by celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Our Deanery is offering three Reconciliation Services with an opportunity to celebrate the Sacrament.

SS Mary & Modwen, Burton, Monday 16th December at 7pm

SS Peter & Paul, Lichfield, Tuesday 17th December at 7pm

St John's, Tamworth, Wednesday 18th December at 7pm.

THANK YOU to all our Young Parishioners who helped celebrate the 11.000am Mass last weekend.

THANK YOU for your generous response to the disaster in the Philippines. A total of £1,594.60 was collected.

PRAYER CARDS FOR VOCATIONS are available at the back of Church. Pray each day for a seminarian including Alex Taylor from this parish currently studying at Valladolid.

CATHOLIC YOUTH SERVICE will be held TODAY. Gift Aid envelopes are available from the back of Church.

SYNOD OF BISHOPS ON THE FAMILY: Please return hard copies to the presbytery early this week. We need to send them off to the Diocese by the 8th December. The consultation may be completed on line at www.cbcew.org.uk

PARISH LOTTERY: Last week 108 numbers played. Winning Number - 128, Rosemary Taylor - £54.00. Congratulations, your cheque can be collected this weekend.

200 CLUB: Prizes for November 2013 are: 1st – 126 – Mrs E Power, 2nd – 192 – Mr P Pilkington, 3rd – 73 – Mrs M Horswell. November Prizes can be collected and subscriptions for 2013 can be paid after the 9.00am & 11.00 am Masses TODAY, or place subscriptions in an envelope marked with your NAME & NUMBER & hand in at the presbytery.

JUBILEE CHOIR: The choir have been asked to lead the carols at the 'Light up a Life' service at the Museum of Brewing on Sunday 8th December, 6pm. Choir rehearsal 5.30pm.

CAROLS IN COOPERS SQUARE The choir will also be singing carols in Coopers Square on Thursday 19th December from 5.30pm. Parishioners are welcome to join us. Bucket collection for the St Vincent de Paul Society.

DUTY ROTAS are available from the Stephen Room.

ST DOMINIC CONVENT, STONE STUDY WEEKEND See poster for details.

ROBIN MILLS has been chosen by Staffordshire Scouts to help build an orphanage in Kenya. He will be going out there over Easter 2015. He needs to raise £3,000 and is asking for parishioners to collect aluminium drinks cans (eg coke, beer cans etc) towards his fundraising. These can be handed in to the piety shop or the presbytery. Thank you.

YMCA QUIZ EVENING Friday 13th December 7.30pm. See poster for details.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR **Saturday 7th December**

Prize Draw Tickets: Please sell & return the counterfoils and any monies to the Presbytery **and please return any unsold tickets ASAP.**

Jewellery: New, 2nd hand, broken jewellery please bring to presbytery ASAP.

Posters: From back of Church please take and display at work etc

Main Draw Prizes: Please see poster on red notice board at back of church and sign if you are willing to donate a prize, then bring to the Presbytery marked 'For Prize Draw' if possible.

Volunteers: Needed for: Table set up on Thursday 5th December evening from 7pm. Catering on the Day. Clearing up after the event. Please sign lists at back of church or contact John Mitcheson on 01283 331776

Items for Stalls: **Books** new or 2nd hand. **CD's & DVD's** please no videos or tapes. **Sweet Stall** – Sweets, crisps, drinks etc. **Toys** – new toys, soft toys, children's books & games. **Gift Stall** – Christmas goods, craft goods, unwanted gifts. **Cakes** – Cakes large & small for cake stall and refreshments.

Cosmetics/Toiletries Stall – Cosmetics and toiletries for ladies or men.

Bottle Stall – wine, spirits, beer, soft drinks. **Chocolate Tombola** – Chocolate, more chocolate and even more chocolate, 200 items required.

Don't forget to invite your family and friends along on the day!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Saturday 14th December – Christmas Bingo

Refreshments are available after all our Sunday Masses in the Parish Rooms. All are welcome.