



THE PARISH OF OUR LADY & ST. WULSTAN

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



23 JUNE 2024 – TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Please gather in prayerful silence. Be encouraged “to speak to God before Mass and to speak to your neighbour after Mass”.

Saturday 22 5.30pm	<i>Vigil Mass: Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> Rev. John Darley RIP
Sunday 23 10.00am	<i>Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> John Wilson RIP
Monday 24 9.30am	<i>Nativity of St. John the Baptist - Solemnity-</i> L. Family Intentions
Tuesday 25	<i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i> Private Mass – Mr. M E Connolly (JA)
Wednesday 26 6.00pm	<i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i> Eucharistic Adoration
7.00pm	Margaret Ryan (100 th Birthday) Intentions
Thursday 27 9.30am	<i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i> Mass in School: Mr. M E Connolly (JA)
Friday 28 11.00am	<i>St. Ireneus, Bishop, Doctor, Martyr</i> In Thanksgiving – Maggie MCarthy & Geraldine
Saturday 29	<i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i> Private Mass
5.30pm	<i>Vigil: Solemnity of Ss. Peter & Paul, Apostles</i> Dec'd of Wise, Gough & Webster families (JA)
Sunday 30 10.00am	<i>Solemnity of Ss. Peter & Paul, Apostles</i> Rev. Keith Enstone RIP (JA)

Eucharistic Adoration: Wednesday 6.00pm – 7.00pm.
Confession: Saturday 4.45pm – 5.25pm
Private Rosary / Quiet Prayer: Sunday - 9.30am – 10.00am
Refreshments: Sundays 11.00am to 11.45am - parish hall.
Children's Liturgy: At 10.00am Mass on Sundays during term time.

Pope's Prayer Intention for June – For migrants fleeing their homes:
 We pray that migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys full of danger and violence, find welcome and new opportunities in the countries that receive them.

Thank You to all who helped with celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmations last Thursday. It was lovely to see the parishioners, family and friends of the young people who were Confirmed together with our school staff. Thanks to the combined effort of our parish and school Music group, which certainly provided a wonderful and prayerful music support to the solemn occasion. Many thanks to all who cleaned and decorated the church, welcoming team, wardens and altar servers. Well done! Keep up the good work!

Year of Prayer 2024 and The Jubilee Year 2025: In preparation for the 2025 Jubilee Year 'Pilgrims of Hope', 2024 has been designated a **Year of Prayer** by Pope Francis "first of all, **to recover the desire to be in the presence of the Lord, to listen to him and adore him.**" We are invited to be aware of the centrality of individual and community prayer during this year.

There is a particular focus on the *Our Father*, and this presents us with a great opportunity to go back to the basics of prayer.

The websites of our diocese and that of the Bishops' Conference of England & Wales offer further help on this.

In our parish, the Bible Study Group are currently devoting their study and reflections on this topic. All are welcome.

Sick: Please pray for Janet Pittam, Nora Brown, Bernie Grant, John Ison, Chris Ison and all those who are unwell currently and those who need our prayers.

Sanctuary Lamp is burning this week for Margaret Ryan. Please pray for her intentions.

Dates to book Sanctuary Lamp are available from 6 July at £4.00 per week.

Peter's Pence: Next Sunday there will be a second collection for Peter's Pence.

Closing of Deanery Visitations Meeting is on **Thursday, 27th June at 7pm.** This will commence with Vespers at the church of the Immaculate Conception, Bicester, OX26 1UN, followed by a meeting in the St John Paul II Centre (next door to the church).

His Grace Archbishop Bernard Longley and Episcopal Vicar Canon Paul Fitzpatrick will report on the current parish visitations taking place in our Deanery.

Adoremus in Our Parish- Sunday 15 September: The Catholic Church in England and Wales - bishops, priests and people from all dioceses - will gather at St Mary's College, Oscott, on Saturday 14 September for a day to renew and deepen our devotion to the Eucharist.

St Mary's College was the venue for the first Eucharistic Procession since the Reformation.

Unlike Adoremus in Liverpool in 2018, this is not a public event, although each diocese will send pilgrims.

On Sunday 15 September, the Bishops of England and Wales invite all parishes across our countries to have a period of Exposition to unite the faithful in focusing on the Eucharist in anticipation of the Jubilee Year with renewed and deepened devotion.

This can be a Holy Hour or a period of prayer in front of the Blessed Sacrament. We'll reflect on how this could be done in our parish.

Offertory Collections – 16 June 2024

Non-Gift Aided: £113.05 Day for Life: £133.96 Candles £30.31
 Windowpanes: £75.00 Refreshments £7.60

Thank you very much for your generosity.

Mass Attendance: Saturday: 29 Sunday 83 Total:112

Parish Finance: Please consider setting up a standing order through your online banking to support our parish.

Bank: NatWest. Sort Code: 60-12-35. Account Number: 01015796.
 Account Name: RCAOB Our Lady & St. Wulstan, Southam.

Please add the Reference: OFFERING. If you are a taxpayer, you could 'Gift Aid' your offering/s. Gift Aid Declaration (forms) are available at the back of the church.

Sponsored windowpanes: A few years ago, we raised money to repair the Stained-Glass window which is in the balcony by sponsoring a pane of glass.

There are still some unsponsored panes left, so once again to raise funds for the parish, we invite you to either sponsor a pane for yourselves or dedicate a pane to a loved one. Prices are £5 for small or £15 for larger. If interested, please see Pat Woolston.

General Election - Resources: During the period of campaigning, short videos will be posted periodically on social media to highlight the areas of interest that have been noted on the webpage, and to keep the narrative in people's mind. The web resources from the Bishops' Conference are now online and can be found via <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/election24/>. In addition, Cardinal Vincent has produced a short introductory video which is due to be uploaded onto the Bishops' Conference website this week.

Charities such as Cafod, Stella Maris, Pax Christi and Missio have been allocated, specific days when collection is made in our archdiocese. There are also charities such as Aid to the Church in Need, Friends of the Holy Land, Mary's Meals as well as Religious Congregations such as 'The Columban Fathers' and 'Missionaries of Africa' who are involved in great charitable works. Having parish representatives for each or a couple of these charities will be a great help in attending to their occasional requests as well as highlighting their wonderful work for the wider parish community regularly. We need enthusiastic volunteer/s who could work with parish priest, wardens and other volunteers to co-ordinate and help with this task. Anyone willing to help, will be very welcome.