

Parish Lottery Winners

Saturday 20th Nov 2021 Week No: 51 Bonus Ball 53 Thunder Ball 11

£150 will be divided between: Paula Hetherington, Julia Bennett, Bernard Woods, Sean Gallagher, B O'Neill (each receive £30.00) There was no winner of the Thunder Ball. **Amount to be won next week £350**

Parish Lottery

The Parish Lottery has continued over the last 12 months, the current year ends this Saturday 27th November, existing members may collect their new cards and payout. Please ensure that you have finished paying for this year.

Would you like to join the Parish Lottery?

The Parish Lottery new year starts on 4th December 2021. Please consider joining.

Application forms are available from this weekend, please see Sheila at the back of church. By paying £2 per week you will share in the following: £150 divided weekly between those holding the Bonus Ball number picked out each Saturday by the National Lottery. An extra £50 will be won by the person matching both the Bonus Ball and Thunder Ball. (If this is not matched the £50 will roll over to the next week). You will receive a £40 payout in November. All profits from the Parish Lottery will go to Our Lady of Lourdes Church.

Thank you to all our existing members and agents for your continued support.

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Centre

Opening Times this week

Sunday: 12 noon – 8.00pm

Wednesday: 7.00pm – 11.00pm

Thursday 7.00pm – 11.00pm

Friday: 7.00pm – 11.00pm

Saturday: 5.00pm – 11.00pm

Please contact the Parish Centre

Manager, Adam McSharry –

07434 667695

if you wish to make a booking.

Bar open late for private

functions.

What's On this week

Wednesday: Bingo 7.30pm

Thursday: Music Group 7.00pm



'Breakfast with Santa'

**18th December
Adults £5 children
£2.50**

**(includes: breakfast
bap, tea & coffee, meet Santa,
music)**

Contact Adam for tickets

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Sisters of the Immaculate Heart: Sr Tonia, Sr Sebastian, Sr Pedro

Parish Safeguarding Officers: Marie Sullivan - 0121 430 3955 Lorraine Freeman - 07932438564

First Sunday of Advent 28th November 2021



Masses this week

Sat 27th Nov	6.00pm	Vigil Mass	Mary Connolly & dec'd of Connolly & Egan families Eileen Owens James & Kathleen Keane Marie Maguire (1st Anniv)
Sun 28th Nov	9.00am	First Sunday of Advent	Deceased of the Towey & Reilly families Liam Collins RIP (Birthday)
	11.00am		Pat Donnelly (Anniv) Josie Holton (Birthday Intentions) Tom McDonald (L/D) Patrick Rattigan (Anniv) Alan Bibby (Anniv)
Mon 29th Nov	9.00am		People of the Parish
Tue 30th Nov	9.0am	Feast of St Andrew	Nora Comiskey (L/D)
Wed 1st Dec	9.00am	St Edmund Campion	Joanna McCarthy (Anniv) Mary Surgey (Anniv)
Thur 2nd Dec	11.00am 2.00pm		Requiem: Tom Courtney Requiem: Anthony Flowers
Fri 3rd Dec	9.00am 10.30am	St Francis Xavier	Eddie Street (1st Anniv) Requiem: Mary McConnell
Sat 4th Dec	10.00am 4.00pm 6.00pm		Maher family Intentions Colette Hickey (1st Anniv)
		Vigil Mass	Philip & Jim Gallagher, Maggie Maguire (Anniv) Denny Dolan (L/D)
Sun 5th Dec	9.00am 11.00am	Second Sunday of Advent	Philomena, James & Michael Kiely Martin Lynch RIP Nicholas Cotter (L/D) Christy Murray (Anniv)

First Sunday of Advent

Response to Psalm:

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Let us see, O Lord, your mercy
and give us your saving help.
Alleluia!

Pope's Prayer Intention for December: Catechists

Let us pray for catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God: may they be its witnesses, with courage and creativity and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Today is the First Sunday of Advent Advent is the season of prayer and preparation that leads us up to Christmas. It is four weeks long. The first Sunday of Advent marks the beginning of a new Church Year. We begin the journey towards Christmas, our great annual celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ amongst us.

Walk With Me A Journey of Prayer for Advent booklets are available at the back of church please take one.

Confessions - Saturday 10.30am to 11.30am & 5.15 -5.45pm.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Saturdays 10.30am to 11.30am.

Blessing of Graves this Sunday 2.00pm at Wythall and 2.30pm at Witton cemeteries.

Retiring Collection next weekend will be taken for Poor Parishes of the Diocese.

Retiring Collection last weekend taken for the Catholic Youth Service raised £285.88.

Piety Shop Christmas stock now available, Christmas Mass bouquets, cards, candles, calendars, advent calendars, diaries etc.

Next Baptism Preparation Meeting will be on Tuesday 7th December at 7.30pm in the church. Parents and Godparents are expected to attend a meeting before arranging their child's baptism.

Sacrament of Baptism We welcome into God's family **Ernest Andrew Baston** and **Oona Grace Harkin** who were Baptised at Our Lady of Lourdes last weekend.

A Memorial Mass Will be celebrated next Saturday 4th December at 4.00pm for Colette Hickey whose first anniversary occurs on Wednesday 8th December.

The Sower Diocesan Magazine Please take one of the free copies available at the back of church.

Sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Christmas Raffle The Parish Sisters are having a raffle and will be selling tickets at Masses over the next couple of weeks. The proceeds will go towards a Christmas Dinner for people with disabilities (in Nigeria) and a Christmas Party for the homeless in Stoke on Trent.

Meaning of the Advent Wreath: The Advent wreath is a circle with no beginning or end to symbolize the eternity of God. The greenery used is evergreen and signifies the continuous everlasting life we find in God. The four purple candles represent the four weeks of advent, and the white candle lit at the first Mass of Christmas representing the birth of our saviour and the joy of Christmas. Our advent wreath is blessed today as we begin this special season.

Pray for the sick - Pat Berns, Frances Bigby, Daniel Breen, Eddie Byrne, Peggy Byrne, Giovanna Casserley, Isabella Chester, Pat Clarke, Gary Collins, William Coniry, Jennifer Cox, Bridget Doherty, Mary Dolan, Josie Douglas, Michael Doyle, Mary (Ria) Finglas, Mary Fleming, Kevin Foley, Patricia Freeman, Robert Gallon, Christopher Geraghty, Mary Gilligan, Baby Chloe Glendall, Terea Griffin, Bryan Grogan, Carmel Haines, Martina Hand, Dan Healy, Finbar Herron, Anne Holland, Ray Holton, Norman Hubbleday, Jason Hughes, Marie Hume, Brian Kirk, Josephine Kirk, Barbara Kopieczek, Kathleen MacInerny, Maureen Maloney, Adrian Mannion, Mary Mazurkiewicz, Michael McAleer, Ellen McLeod, Ann Moffitt, Andrew Morgan, Mary Morgan, John Murphy, Michael Noga, Siobhan O'Connell, Margaret O'Grady, Mary Pender, Doug Prosser, Martin Ryan, Frank Sadio, John Shryane, Mary Smith, Janette Smyth, Rosemary Smyth, Simon Spillane, Mary Spratt, Cath Street, Julie Swinscoe, Nadine Terry, John Wilson

Lately Dead: Tom Courtney (New Rd, Hollywood - Requiem Thursday 2nd Dec at 11.00am

Reception Wednesday 5.00pm)

Anthony Flowers (Brandwood Road - Requiem Thursday 2nd Dec at 2.00pm)

Mary McConnell (Leysdown Grove - Requiem Friday 3rd Dec 10.30am Reception Thursday 7.00pm)

Michael Reidy (Greenstead Road - Requiem Thursday 9th Dec 10.00am Reception Weds 6.00pm)

Martin Murray (Sarehole Road - Requiem Friday 10th Dec at 11.30am Reception Thurs 7.00pm)

Veronica Smith (Clifton Green - Requiem Friday 17th December at 12 noon)

Liam Fallon (Hockley Heath - Requiem Tuesday 21st December at 11.00am)

Mavis Milner (Priory Road) Maurice Hartnett (Baldwins Lane)

Anniversaries: 28th - 4th Dec: Mary Darcy, Bernard Grant, Elizabeth Slater, Patrick Hannon, Edward McVeigh, Margaret Williams, Terry Best, Winifred McDonnell, Francis Keavy, George Lovekin, Alan Webster, Elizabeth Ford, Mary Brennan, Mary Pitt, Mary Broll, Joan Scully, Augusta Wozywoda, Mary Tabone, Mary Kelly, Maisie Roche, Rosalin Mills, Bridget Kelly, Frederick Law, Margaret Mason, Wojciech Lubaszka, Alma Bocock, Mary Jones, Mary Cook, Patricia Hughes, Edward Wilks, Philip Gallagher, Dermot O'Keeffe, Patrick Curran, Edward Street, Margaret Maguire

Our Lady Of Lourdes Catholic Primary School are holding two open day sessions on Friday 3rd December, the first at 2.15 pm and the 2nd at 3.15 pm. Attendees must wear a face mask/covering. **Please call 0121 444 2684 to book your place.**

Bishop Challoner TSA is working in partnership with CEFEL and The Catholic Education Service to deliver National Professional Qualifications (NPQs) for Teachers. We are also offering a new NPQ in Leading Behaviour and Culture. NPQs are currently fully funded for all state maintained schools. Apply here: <https://www.cefel.org.uk/npq/> Applications close on 17th January 2022 for programmes starting February 2022.

Advent Bible Series 7.00pm every Wednesday leading up to Christmas. Access on-line at "comeandsee.org". Following this series of talks is a good way to prepare for the approach to Christmas, as the series covers the readings that will be read at the following Sunday's Mass with in depth explanations as to what these readings teach us.

Webcam - Live Streaming www.ourladyoflourdesbirmingham.co.uk in the middle of the screen click on 'Watch Church Webcam' this will take you straight to the page or go to **MCN Media**, click on England, then West Midlands then Our Lady of Lourdes, Yardley Wood

This church live streams Mass and other events. Please see notices in the church for more details