

St. Patrick's Church, Wolverhampton

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TIMES OF MASSES AND OTHER LITURGIES

Sunday, 10.01.16

9:30 am

5:30 pm

6:00 pm

Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

Mass: Intentions of Peter and Heidi Talbot

Confessions

Mass: Eliamma Thomas RIP

Monday, 11.01.16

9:30 am

10:00 am

Feria

Mass: Special Intention

Rosary

Tuesday, 12.01.16

4:00 pm

Feria

Mass in New Cross Hospital Chapel

Wednesday, 13.01.16

9:30 am

10:00 am

Feria

Mass: Felix Duran RIP

Rosary

Thursday, 14.01.16

NO MASS

Feria

Friday, 15.01.16

7:00 pm

7:30 pm

Feast of St Paul, the First Hermit

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Mass: Mary Evans RIP

Saturday, 16.01.16

10:00 am

10:30 am

Mary, Queen of Hermits

Mass: Liam Seymour RIP

Confession

Sunday, 17.01.16

9:30 am

5:30 pm

6:00 pm

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass: Kathleen and Keith Philpott RIP

Confessions

Mass: Glenys, Frank and Mabel McShane RIP

Confessions: Sat. after 10:00am Mass & Sun. 5:30-5:55 pm or on request



YOUR OFFERINGS: 3RD JANUARY £402.57 (GIFT-AID £139.50)

CRIB OFFERING FOR FRIENDS OF THE HOLY LAND: £133.77

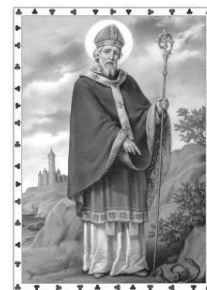
Church Cleaning this week: Team B (Wednesdays after morning Mass)

ALL WELCOME to join us for refreshments in the Hall after 9.30am Sunday Mass.



PARISH ADMINISTRATION: If anyone requires baptism certificates or any other written documents from the parish, please call the parish on Mondays & Fridays: 10.00am - 11.00am.

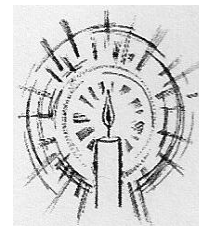
CONTACTING THE PARISH: If you need to get a message to the priest or the parish then please leave your message on the presbytery answer phone: 01902 736440 or 07857462527 (Emergency Mobile), or e-mail: stpatricks220@sky.com



PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: Violet Griffin, Patricia Killeen, Ron & Josie Whittingham, Beryl & Peter Cullis, Malcolm & Barbara Harris, Margaret Tiernan, Charlie Stokes, Michael Gough, Mary Carroll, Mary Simonds, Sally McNulty, Tom Kennedy, David, Sheila Thomas, Deeanna Simpson, Dee Mahan, Alan McHugh, Josie & Michael Thornton, deacon Michael Ainsworth, Andy Curran, Paul Bristow, Patricia Padley. *If you are not able to get to Mass (e.g. you're going into hospital) or if you notice someone who has not been at Mass recently, let us know.*

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR IN JANUARY (part 3):

LIAM SEYMOUR AND PATRICIA TODD who died recently, also Annie Kelly, Daniel Buckley, Neil Gibbons, Margaret Grew, Edna McGovern, Brian Herbert, Harold Hawley, Jose Ramirez, Rita Walsh, Philip Cooper, Rosemary Williams, James O'Connor, William Chalker, Kevin D'arcy, Frederick Arthur Dutton, Barry Stokes, Breege French, Patrick Jennings, Margaret (Peggy) McIntyre, Mary Cairns, James Brennan, Eileen Brothwood.



THE JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY begun on 8th December, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, and it is an opportunity to reflect on how we carry out the Lord's wish that we should be *'Merciful like the Father'*. During the coming year there will be opportunities for specially prepared Liturgies and Reflections. Parishes are being encouraged to join with other Catholics from around the deanery at their nearest Jubilee Church to celebrate some of these Liturgies; within the Wolverhampton Deanery the designated Jubilee church is **Ss. Peter's and Paul's**, 51 North Street, WV1 1RJ : **Holy Doors will be open there on following Saturdays: 23rd January, 20th February, 19th March, 23rd April, 21st May, 18th June, 23rd July, 20th August, 17th September, 22nd October, 19th November.** There celebrations include: **11.00am - Holy Mass, 11.30am - Rosary followed by refreshments in Guild Room, 12.00noon - Adoration and Confessions and 12.50pm - Benediction.** St Patrick's Parish will be co-hosting the celebrations on Saturday 23rd January at 11am. All welcome.

CHRISTMASTIDE ends after Evening Prayer today, the Baptism of Our Lord. Jesus now makes his way into the world outside Nazareth, and spends the next three years teaching, and in curing illnesses of body and souls throughout Judaea and Israel.

FRIENDS OF SAINT PATRICK'S MEETING is tomorrow, Monday 11th January at 7pm in the sacristy.

FEAST OF ST PAUL THE FIRST HERMIT is celebrated on 15th January. Saint Paul is the Patron of the Pauline Fathers, the Order to which Fr Dawid belongs. This holy man lived in the 2nd/3rd century in Upper Egypt. He was born into a wealthy and noble family. During the persecution of Christians he fled into the Desert but found the surroundings so much to his taste that he decided to spend the rest of his life in the secluded wilderness. He spent nearly 100 years as a hermit in the desert, in prayer and contemplation of God. He lived in a cave, and every day a raven brought him a loaf of bread. Next to this grotto was a spring which supplied his needs. Before he died he was visited by another holy man, St. Antony the Abbot, founder of the eremitical life in Egypt. The two men prayed together: it was their last meeting. After his departure St. Paul died in the position of praying. St. Jerome tells us that lions came and dug his grave for burial. Paul's fame spread rapidly throughout the region, and he is regarded as the very first saint to take up the life of a hermit. His icons show a raven with a loaf of bread, two lions and a palm tree: these are all shown on the arms of the Pauline Order.



PREPARATION FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION Preparation sessions take place on Sunday mornings **after 9.30am Mass in the hall.** Next meetings – 10th Jan, 31st Jan, 7th Feb, 21st Feb, 28th Feb, 6th March, 13th March, 10th April, 24th April, 1st May & 8th May.

PREPARATION FOR THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION Preparation sessions take place on Sunday mornings **after 9.30am Mass in the presbytery.** Next meetings – 10th Jan, 24th Jan, 31st Jan, 7th Feb, 14th Feb, 28th Feb, 6th March & 13th March.

