

# St. Patrick's Church, Wolverhampton

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## TIMES OF MASSES AND OTHER LITURGIES

**Sunday, 16.02.20**

9:30 am

5:30 pm

6:00 pm

### Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass: Thanksgiving int. from Simran Glaxin

Confessions

Mass: Mona Winterson RIP

**Monday, 17.02.20**

9:30 am

10:00 am

### Feria

Mass: Marie McManus RIP

Rosary

**Tuesday, 18.02.20**

10:30 am

### Feria

Mass at St Mary & John's church

**Wednesday, 19.02.20**

9:30 am

10:00 am

### Feria

Mass: Intentions of the Padley Family

Rosary

**Thursday, 20.02.20**

NO MASS

### Feria

**Friday, 21.02.20**

7:00 pm

7:30 pm

### Feria

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Mass: For the Swingell, Devlin, Saunders, Doherty, Anderson, Nolan and Ward Families and all travellers

**Saturday, 22.02.20**

9:30 am

10:00 am

11:00 am

### Feast of the Chair of St Peter, Apostle

Mass: Karen Leighton RIP

Confessions

Baptism: Aksah Dos Santos

**Sunday, 23.02.20**

9:30 am

5:30 pm

6:00 pm

### Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass: Hugh Corr and Betty Nolan RIP

Confessions

Mass: Douglas Johnson RIP

**Confessions:** Sat. after 9:30am Mass & Sun. 5:30-5:55 pm or on request



**YOUR OFFERINGS: 9<sup>TH</sup> FEB £381.67 (GIFT-AID £150.00)**

**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

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**PARISH ADMINISTRATION:** If anyone requires baptism certificates or any other written documents from the parish, please visit the parish office on Mondays & Fridays: 10.00am - 12.00noon or leave your message on the presbytery answer phone: 01902 736440 or e-mail: [stpatrick.newcross@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:stpatrick.newcross@rcaob.org.uk)

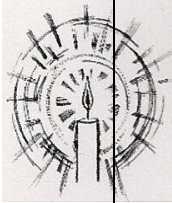


**PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:** Violet Griffin, Patricia Padley, Peter Cullis, Malcolm & Barbara Harris, Sally McNulty, Jack Byrne, Catherine Finnegan, Doris McShane, Fergus Fallon, Gerry Simpson, Michael Lockett, Obed, Charito, Melchor, Darcy Jamandri, Norma and Marivic Orenca. *Names may be added to this list only with the specific permission of the infirm person for whom prayers are requested.*



**PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR IN FEBRUARY (part3):** Deacon Michael Ainsworth and Kevin Baker, who

died recently, also Henry Kelly, Francis Marren, Barbara Morgan, Winifred Markland, Christine Hickman, William Allen, Catharine Bishop, Elizabeth (Betty) Nolan, Horace Turner, Nancy Ryan, Julie Sheridan, John McConnell, William Chalder, George Whitehead, Elizabeth Ross, Gordon Prosser, Leslie Horton, Margaret Nicholls, Walter Mulgrave, John O'Brien, Patrick Donaghy, Brian Grainger.



**PREPARATION FOR THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION** Sessions, lasting between 1 hour and 90 minutes, on Saturday mornings at 11am in the Presbytery on the following days: **22<sup>nd</sup> February**, 7<sup>th</sup> March (Confessions), 14<sup>th</sup> March. Confirmation will be held at St Patrick's on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2020 at 7pm.



**PREPARATION FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** Lesson Dates on following Saturdays 11am – 1.30pm in the sacristy: **29<sup>th</sup> Feb**, 28<sup>th</sup> Mar, 25<sup>th</sup> April, 2<sup>nd</sup> May (First Confession). First Holy Communion will be held at St Patrick's on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2020 at 9.30am.

**BANNS of MARRIAGE:** The Convalidation of Marriage between GEOFFREY RICARDO TELES MORENO and IRENE DEL CARMEN PESTANA PEREIRA will take place here at St Patrick's on 21<sup>st</sup> March 2020. If anyone knows of any reason why they should not be married it should be declared now.

**NEW PARISH E-MAIL** Please note that from 1 February 2020 [stpatrick.newcross@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:stpatrick.newcross@rcaob.org.uk) is our new parish email - please therefore adjust your contact list. We will continue to monitor our old email account ([stpatricks220@sky.com](mailto:stpatricks220@sky.com)) but gradually this will cease.

**WHY IS ENGLAND CALLED THE 'DOWRY OF MARY'? (PART 1)** Unique among all the

nations, the Catholics of England have believed for centuries that their country is in a special sense the Dowry of Mary. The word 'dowry' (from the Latin dos, meaning 'donation', 'gift' or 'endowment') is commonly understood as the donation accompanying a bride upon marriage. In medieval English law, however, the meaning was reversed, in that a husband would set apart a portion of his estate designated for the maintenance of his wife, should she become a widow. On landed estates the Dower House is a property set aside for precisely that purpose. The historical understanding of England as Mary's Dowry is understood in this sense: that England has been set apart for Our Lady. Indeed, the very use of the term 'Our Lady' or the 'Lady Mary' to refer to the Blessed Virgin Mary, although common in Western Europe from the twelfth century onwards, has a more ancient history in England, where the first extant example comes from an Anglo-Saxon poet at the end of the eighth century.



The title 'Dowry of Mary' is believed to originate from the reign of St Edward the Confessor (1042-1066) though the precise origin is unclear. It had become widespread by the middle of the fourteenth century and around the year 1350 a mendicant preacher stated in a sermon that 'it is commonly said that the land of England is the Virgin's dowry', thus reflecting the origin of the title in the deep devotion of its people to the Mother of God in the Middle Ages.