

Saturday 21st Advent Novena "O Oriens" Sunday Vigil 5.30pm St Michael <i>Walter, Norah & Baden Fellows</i>
FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT 22nd December "O Rex Gentium" 9.00am St Bernadette <i>pro populo</i> 10.15am SS Peter & Paul <i>Middleton, Crane, Grogan & Luetchford families RIP</i> 11.30am St Michael <i>Biddle, Lane & Duff-Cole families RIP</i> 4.00pm Nativity Play and Carols
Monday 23rd Advent Novena "O Emmanuel" <i>Vespers at 6.10pm St Michael</i> 6.30 pm St Michael <i>Monica Blee</i>
Tuesday 24th Christmas Eve 9.30am St Bernadette <i>As announced</i> ----- 5.30pm St Michael <i>Children's Mass Joan & Philip Dunn</i> 9.00pm St Michael <i>Mary McClure</i> (carols from 8.30pm) Midnight SS Peter & Paul <i>In Thanksgiving</i> (carols from 11.30pm) Midnight Carmelite Convent <i>As announced</i>
CHRISTMAS DAY December 25th 9.00am Carmelite Convent <i>As announced</i> 9.00am St Bernadette <i>John Corbett</i> 10.13 am SS Peter & Paul <i>Bill & Sheila Botwood in Thanksgiving</i> 11.30am St Michael <i>Wynne Edwards RIP</i>
St Stephen's Day December 26th 12.00pm SS Peter & Paul <i>Bridie Hannon RIP</i>
Friday 27th St John the Evangelist 9.30am St Bernadette <i>Edith Dodd</i> 12.00pm SS Peter & Paul <i>Brother Albert Slater</i>
Saturday 28th The Holy Innocents Sunday Vigil 5.30pm St Michael <i>Jean Greenwood</i>
FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY 29th December 9.00am St Bernadette <i>Pro populo</i> 10.15am SS Peter & Paul <i>Peter Tuohy RIP</i> 11.30am St Michael's <i>Celine and Gerard Gartland RIP</i>

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Fourth Sunday of Advent Year A

As Christmas Day approaches on Wednesday, the Sisters and myself pray that you receive every blessing for yourselves and your families and friends in this Holy Season. We are also praying for absent friends at this time. Sister Rita, Sister Benedicta and Fr Mark.



Blessing of figures of the Infant Jesus If anyone forgot to bring their figure of the infant Jesus to Mass last Sunday, they can bring it this Sunday as well for the blessing.

During Advent our 3 churches are still collecting for the homeless: hats, gloves, socks, scarves and small boxer shorts; 100g chocolate bars; crisps; sachets of instant soup and chocolate/coffee drinks; individual packets of tissues and baby wipes, roll on deodorants and hot water bottles. Any donations would be gratefully received. Thank you!

SS Peter and Paul Edge Group and Children's Liturgy Nativity Play and Carols 4.00pm this Sunday 22nd December in church. Everyone Welcome!

Family 5.30 Christmas Eve Mass at St Michael's Parking: We need wardens to help with parking. Please see Fr Mark or one of the sisters if you can help. If you do not have difficulties with walking, please park in Warstones Primary School. We are very grateful to the school for kindly offering their space for us. Remember, if you would like your child to take part in any way, please phone Teresa on 01902 766701 or email t.scragg@virgin.net

St Michael's Christmas Greetings Board will be in the porch for the next two weeks. If you wish to send Christmas greetings please write your message on the slip provided, pin it to the board and leave a donation (however big or small!) in the box. The donations will be used to buy sleep pods (costing £25 each) for the homeless.

26th December - Calling All Altar Servers Your annual Mass of renewal takes place as usual on St Stephen's Day (Boxing Day). Mass this year is at **SS Peter & Paul's at Midday**. Those of you who have been serving regularly for at least a year are now eligible to receive the bronze medal. *There is no problem with car parking as both car parks will be open.*

The Crib Offerings will again this year go to the charity "Friends of the Holy Land" which funds initiatives giving hope and practical help to the most vulnerable Christians who live today in and around Bethlehem.

Adoration Chapel at St Michael's will remain closed from Monday 23rd December until 7th January 2020 and will restart on Wednesday 8th January 2020.

SS Peter and Paul Church will not be open for private prayer for the next two weeks. We will resume normal opening times the week of 8th January 2020

Christmas Offering: The collection made over Christmas during all the Masses will be your gift to Fr Mark and Fr Gary. Please collect the envelopes from the porch.

SS Peter & Paul 200 Club now is the time for you to renew your subscriptions.

SS Peter & Paul Gift Aid Envelopes please pick your envelope up from the porch. **Lectio** will not be meeting over the Christmas break but will restart on January 10th.

Support in Loss and Bereavement..... Please see the posters in the back of each Church for further details of professional help that is at hand.

Upcoming events....

Free Epiphany Concert by the Wulfruna Ladies Choir in aid of children's charity Power Pleas, who will be joining us, on Saturday the 4th of January at 3pm in St Michael's Church. Refreshments and raffle during the interval. Details from Sarah 07948963325



Finances...

Church	St Michael	SS Peter & Paul	St Bernadette
Gift Aid	£280.25	£503.00	£200.00
Non-Gift-Aid	£393.34	£161.12	£102.54

Rotas...

Counting Teams	SS Peter and Paul St Michael	(B)Sheila, Rita, Maureen (E)Chris S, Ruth S (F)Maria M, Sucorro B
Cleaners	St Michael St Bernadette	Roy P, Margaret T, Chris C, (Friday at 10.00am) Gloria D, Brian D

FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Alice Stevens, George Brown, Mary Rowley, Claire Hallett, Chris Starkey, Tom Kirkpatrick, Ann Lewis, M Mary, Thomas Mackin, Fr David Duggan, Stephen Briggs, Sandra Treanor, Hilary Elsdon, Fr Dawid Piskorz, Katherine Poole, Teresa Mitchell, Mary Lawley, Ann Bayley, Helen O'Brien-Coleman, Mary Abbiss, Peggy McHale, Patrick Quinn, Fred & Celia Norton, Jean Hollingshead, Margaret Stokes, Leah Nixon, Pat Pool, John Dolan, Liam Dolan, Marie Looker, Lorna Ciraulo, Pat Eades, Helen Porter, Mary Kirby, Sheila O'Toole, Tony McGinn, Brendan Bleakley.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY: Thomas Kirkpatrick, Mary Landers, Olive Reilly, Nora McKennagh, Edith Dodd, Carl Winter, Bridget Hannon. **May they rest in peace.**

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