



**LITURGY**

**First reading:** Isaiah 63:16-17; 64:1, 3-8

**Response to the Psalm:** God of hosts, bring us back; let your face shine on us and we shall be saved.

**Second reading:** Corinthians 1:3-9

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! Let us see, O lord, your mercy and give us your saving help. Alleluia!

**Gospel:** Mark 13:33-37



**Church Rotas**

Masses	Eucharistic Ministers	Readers
5.00pm Sat 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dec	Mary Flynn & Helen Woodhouse	Anna Charles
10.30am Sun 3 <sup>rd</sup> Dec	Gemma Holdsworth	Tracy Volante & Tony Pearce
5.00 pm Sat 9 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Bud Sollis & Maria Martin	Alan Clatworthy
10.30am Sun 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christine Holdsworth	Pat Mitchell

**Coffee Rota**

3 <sup>rd</sup> December	Sarah & Mark Pittaway
10 <sup>th</sup> December	Barbara Wall & Ziggy Sollis

**Children's Liturgy Rota**

3 <sup>rd</sup> December	Gemma and Catherine
10 <sup>th</sup> December	Gemma and Catherine

**Parish Safeguarding Representative:- Gemma Holdsworth**

**Churches Together Advent course.** Thursday 7th, 14 and 21st December at 7.30 pm Studley Methodist Church. For more details contact Deacon Steve.

# St Mary's Roman Catholic Church

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This parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham and served by the Benedictine Monks of Douai Abbey

**Parish Priest: Fr. Benedict Thompson O.S.B**

**Parish Deacon: Rev. Mr. Steve Dunton**



**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent(B)**

**Week commencing Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2017**

Registered Charity Number 1063237

**Masses**

Sat 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dec	5 .00pm	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent (B)</b>	Deceased members of the Fitzmaurice Family
Sun 3 <sup>rd</sup> Dec	10.30am	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent (B)</b>	Eric George Dunton RIP
Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> Dec			
Tue 5 <sup>th</sup> Dec			
Wed 6 <sup>th</sup> Dec			
Thur 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec	9.30am	<b>School Mass</b>	<b>In Church</b>
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> Dec			
Sat 9 <sup>th</sup> Dec	5.00pm	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent (B)</b>	Private Intention
Sun 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec	10.30am	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent (B)</b>	Reynolds Family RIP

**Collection last weekend 25<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup> November was £328-98. Many thanks.**

**Prayers for the Sick:** Doleen Evans, Faith Lyons, Steve Smith, Jane-Christina Thomson, Joan Smith, Derek Sollis, Michael Hall, Christopher Hurd, Paula Brooke, Edward O'Neill, Megan Hayes, Michael Smith, Barbara Wall, Pamela Young, Mick Sollis, Margaret Birkett, Nell Bridge, Joe Brennan, Jill Smith, Annie McHugh, Georgette Cowell

**Those who have recently died:**

Jennifer Harvey, Anne Nora Finnegan, Mary Hadley, Barbara Flowers, Gerald Clarke, Alma Clarke, Eric George Dunton.

**Christmas Mass Times**

**Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> Mass at 5pm-----Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> (Christmas Eve) Children's Mass at 6pm (Carols at 5.30pm) and Quiet Mass at 9pm-----  
Christmas Day Mass at 10.30am**

**PARISH EVENTS**

**TEA/COFFEE IS SERVED IN THE CONSERVATORY AFTER THE 10.30 AM MASS. *Please join us.***

**200 Club Draw for November**

1<sup>st</sup> Prize – Andrew McDonnell (29) 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize – Joyce Grant (17)  
3<sup>rd</sup> Prize – M.J. Davis (112) 4<sup>th</sup> Prize – John Finn (114)

Congratulations to all the winners and many thanks for your continued support.

**200 Club Draw for December**

1<sup>st</sup> Prize – Peter McManus (64) 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize – Jackie Gannon (145)  
3<sup>rd</sup> Prize – Tony Pearce (14) 4<sup>th</sup> Prize – K. Cotterell-Lamb (198)

Congratulations to all the winners and many thanks for your continued support.

**Guess the weight of the Christmas Cake**

The cake is at the back of church and you can guess the weight in ounces or grams. Money raised will go to the Church Building Fund.

Good Luck!

**St Mary's 200+ Club**

Thank you to all members for their continued support as the income generated by this fundraising is significant and necessary for the Parish. Subscriptions for 2018 are now due and I hope that we can rely on your support for this year. For those we hold an email address you will be emailed a copy of the renewal form or alternatively please collect a form at the back of the church. I should be grateful if you can return it with your payment, by either cash, cheque (made payable to St Mary's RC PC) in the envelope provided as soon as possible, so that funds are available for the January draw.

On behalf of the Parish may I take this opportunity to wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Good luck in the 200+ club draws throughout 2018.

Thank you in advance. Christine Holdsworth