



The Parish of Our Lady Of Lourdes & St Bernadette

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Parish Newsletter 21st November 2021

Date	Time	Mass / Service	Intention
Sun 21st	9.00am	Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe	
Tue 23rd	9.30am	Weekday in Ordinary Time	
Thur 25th	9.30am	Weekday in Ordinary Time	
Sun 28th	9.00am	1st Sunday in Advent	
Tue 30th	9.30am	Weekday in Ordinary Time	
Thur 2nd	9.30am	Weekday in Ordinary Time	
Sun 5th	9.00am	2nd Sunday in Advent	Helen Hunter RIP

Reminder/Update:

- We strongly encourage you to wear a face covering in church to keep everyone safe unless you are medically exempt.
- When going up to receive Holy Communion, please go forward beginning from the front rows as we did before Covid-19, there is no need to wait for instruction from the stewards.

COVID-19 Safety Measures

If you feel unwell or have Covid-19 symptoms, please do not enter the church.
Wearing a face mask is strongly advised when inside the Church. Please sanitise your hands before entering and when leaving. Scan the church QR code with the NHS Test & Trace App to check in or fill in Test & Trace Form. There are no restrictions on seating but unless you are within an already formed bubble, please leave a space between you and the person next to you.
If you have any concerns about seating, please speak to one of the stewards.
Offertory Collection baskets are available on your way in/out. When receiving Holy Communion please proceed from the front rows as we did before Covid-19. *You may return to your seat after receiving Holy Communion for the final blessing. Our main aim to keep everyone safe, so your patience and co-operation will be much appreciated. Thank you.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF Elizabeth Wilkins who passed away recently and Nellie Lovell, Thomas Gumas, Albert Rawlings, Christina Wride, Philip Baber, Anthony Sullivan, Gwendoline Brooks, Nellie Hirst, Graham Knapp, Robert Chandler, Margaret Evans, Charles Merrifield, Hannah Fudge, William O'Brien, Liam Smith; all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Welcome to the celebration of mass today. A special welcome to any visitors we have today.

****Christmas Hamper Raffle** Have you got your hamper raffle tickets yet? Don't forget to get some your tickets which are available in the porch after mass.

Special Collection next Sunday 28th Nov There will be special collection next Sunday for Christmas tree/flowers for church. A separate basket will be set out for this collection in the porch.

Offertory Collection 14th Nov £257.40

Thank you for your generosity

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*** Christmas Fayre 27th November, 12pm-4pm ***



The Fayre will be held in the school on Saturday 27th November starting from 12.00 till 4.00pm. We would love all parishioners to take an active role by supporting this event.

Raffle tickets that you have hopefully received need to be returned and we have plenty more should you need them.

We will need help on Friday 26th November to move items now in the church over to the school. This will start from 4.30pm onwards. Be assured that if this is too early for you, the work goes on for quite some time as there are lots of tables and stalls to be prepared.

Following the appeal at Mass on Sunday, here is a reminder of items we require.

Bottles, these can be anything from wine to water, from shampoo to pickles. Just use your imagination. All bottles of course must be unopened. We can use unwanted gifts, jewellery, make up/perfume, handbags in good condition, toys, again in good condition and cakes for the cake stall. Now there must something on that list you could donate!!! If by any chance you are unable to attend, you could always make a donation, which any of the committee will gladly accept.

You will be aware that since the pandemic the number attending Mass is over 50% less than before the pandemic. Therefore, a monumental effort is required to try and make the fayre a financial success. If possible, please bring along family and friends to boost the numbers. There are lots of attractions including Santa's Grotto, café, books, jewellery, toys, cakes and so much more.

So please don't let this pass you by and leave it to others. We all have a part to play if the Fayre is to be a social and financial success. We are most definitely counting on you.

The Social Committee

****November, Month of Holy Souls** Mass will be offered for the faithful departed in November. Please take an envelope from the table in the porch for your intentions. **No donations/offerings are required.** Please leave your completed intentions envelope in the basket in front of the altar.

CAFOD World Gifts CAFOD's new World Gift Catalogue is available on the table in the porch. Please take a copy and share it with family and friends. World Gifts are a wonderful way to the peace and joy of Christmas with our brothers and sisters throughout the world.

CCS Adoption is hoping for your support by purchasing their Christmas Cards. There are four lovely designs, including one by their patron, Bristol Artist, Jenny Urquhart and a unique design by a CCS staff member. Their catalogue is posted on the notice board in the porch. Order forms can be downloaded from the CCS website www.ccsadoption.org.

****Safeguarding - DBS Checks** If you are a volunteer in church and it has been 3 years or more since your last DBS check please contact Maria at the Parish Office.

Time to Start School? If you have a child born between **1 Sept 2017 and 31 Aug 2018**, then now is the time to apply for a place at a Catholic primary school in the Diocese. You must complete an application form (either online or on paper) available from the school admissions team of the South Gloucestershire Council, for admission during the **2022-23** school year. If your child has been baptised, you **must** also provide a copy of the baptism certificate to your preferred school. Please ensure you apply by the closing date of **15 Jan 2022**.

Kingswood Foodbank Shopping List: Toilet rolls, drinking chocolate, biscuits, nappies sizes 5 & 5+, pull up pants, crisps, men's deodorant, sugar, rice pudding, children's toothpaste, squash (to drink), cartons of long-life milk & fruit juice and baby food for 6 months plus.

Donations can be dropped off directly at the Bourne Christian Centre, Waters Road, Kingswood BS15 8BE, on Tues 9.30am-12.45pm or on Fridays between 1.30pm-3.30pm. Local Collection points can be found at the Co-op in Hanham, Sainsbury's Kings Chase or Sainsbury's Petrol Station Nags Hill Head.

The Parish Office Opening Hours w/c 21st Nov 2021 - Mon*/Tue/Thur 8.30am-1.30pm

*** FORTHCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS ***

Christmas Tree/Flowers 28th November 2021