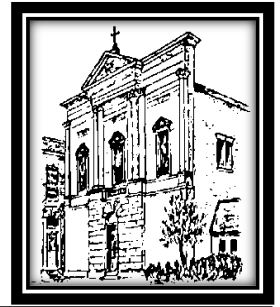




Catholic Parishes of Our Lady Queen of Peace And St George



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Second Sunday after the Nativity

Psalter week 2

Links for Mass: www.churchservices.tv/worcester

Links to donation websites for Offertory and Church repairs/Livestreaming

OLQP – <https://investmycommunity.com/ourladyqueenofpeacearchdioceseofbirmingham2142>

St George - <https://investmycommunity.com/parishofstgeorgeworcesterarchdioceseofbirmingham2141>

CLERGY AND CONTACTS

Canon Brian McGinley (Parish Priest)

Fr Prabhakar Parmisetty, M.F. (Assistant Priest)

Mgr Patrick Kilgarriff (retired), Father Ron Cosslett (retired)

Permanent Deacons

Rev Paul O'Connor, Rev Chris Blackman, Rev Tony Hartshorn, Rev Reginald Lewis (retired)

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PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday – 9.00am until 3.00pm

Please note: the Parish Office will re-open after Christmas on 4th January at 9am.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: The Sick and Housebound of the two parishes. We include those in hospitals, nursing homes and their own homes. *Our Lady, Health of the sick, Pray for them all.* †

THE RECENTLY BAPTISED: Manuel Dinis do Nascimento. *Welcome to the family of the Church* †

THE RECENTLY DECEASED incl: May they rest in peace †

PARISH ANNIVERSARIES incl: Teresa Rickards, Margaret Kelly, Anne Foss, Luis Cadaveira-Mosquera, Mary Evans, Joan Lee, Genoveffa Guida, Veronica Niccol, Donna Bishop, Karen Lamont, Dorothy Norman, Fernando Do Rego Machado, John Lacey, Annie Rosser, Jonathan Wood, Winifred Hislam, James Fallon, Filomena Mondì, Francis Adam, Paule Gasic, Elizabeth Stanton, Alice Kerrigan, Jozef Jurkowski, Julia Pearson and Rita Picker. May they rest in peace †

CLERGY ANNIVERSARIES incl: Mgr John Cregg, Cns Marin Power, Matthias (Matt) Corrigan, Revv David O'Callaghan, Francis Etherington, Cyril Evans, Patrick Lynch, Martin Cassidy, Philip Garrett, Francis Dwyer, Philip Smith, John P. Davis, Brian Harding, John Bentley, Charles Becker, Philip Wyles, Patrick Farrelly, James Bromley, Patrick McSwiney, Peter Tuite, Robert Kirby, Benedict O'Gorman, Gerard Peuleve, Cyril Bennett and Deacons Peter Mason, William Murphy, Brian Dockerty and Thomas Carter. May they rest in peace †

The Pope's Prayer Intention for January – Human Fraternity

May the Lord give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for one another, open to all.

Liturgical Information

O God, come to our aid; O Lord, make haste to help us.

Saturday	Jan	2 nd	OLQP	6.00pm	<i>Vigil Mass of Sunday - Joan Brewer- for a speedy recovery</i>
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SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE NATIVITY

Sunday	Jan	3 rd	St G	8.00am	<i>Mass – Pro Populo</i>
			OLQP	9.00am	<i>Mass – Pro Populo</i>
			St G	10.00am	<i>Mass – Deceased of Cleary and Merritt families</i>
			St G	11.30am	<i>Mass - Tony Colley (Birthday) - RIP</i>
			St G	2.00pm	<i>Polish Mass</i>
Monday Christmas Feria	Jan	4 th	St G	10.00am	<i>Mass - Ellison - for fortitude</i>
Tuesday Christmas Feria	Jan	5 th	St G	10.00am	<i>Mass - Glover and Meaney Families</i>
			OLQP	6.00pm	<i>Vigil Mass of the Solemnity</i>

SOLEMNITY of the EPIPHANY of the LORD

Wednesday	Jan	6 th	St G	10.00am	<i>Mass - Ints of Members of SVP Worcester St George</i>
			OLQP	10.00am	<i>Mass</i>
Thursday Christmas Feria	Jan	7 th	St G	10.00am	<i>Mass - Holy Souls</i>
Friday Christmas Feria	Jan	8 th	St G	10.00am	<i>Mass - Intentions of the Ellison Family</i>
Saturday Christmas Feria	Jan	9 th	St G	10.00am	<i>Mass</i>
			OLQP	6.00pm	<i>Vigil Mass of Sunday - Pro Populo</i>

FEAST of the BAPTISM of the LORD

Sunday	Jan	10 th	St G	8.00am	<i>Mass - Bernard and Josephine Coughlin - RIP</i>
			OLQP	9.00am	<i>Mass</i>
			St G	10.00am	<i>Mass – Florence and Fred Thompson - RIP</i>
			St G	11.30am	<i>Mass - Pro Populo</i>
			St G	2.00pm	<i>Polish Mass</i>

Parish Offerings – Thank you for supporting your Parishes; your Christmas offerings have been gratefully received by the active priests of the parishes.

Please consider making your weekly or monthly offerings by Standing Order or on-line –

OLQP – <https://investmycommunity.com/ourladyqueenofpeacearchdioceseofbirmingham2142>

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Wednesday Word link: <http://www.wednesdayword.org/sunday-gospel.htm>

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My dear brothers and sisters in Christ,
Prayer, not panic; Faith, not Fear.

OLQP and St George

2021 – A Message for You All

First of all, let me wish you on behalf of the parish clergy, a very blessed and peaceful New Year. We are still in Christmas time in the Church calendar which lasts till the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord next Sunday. It would be easy to dwell on the 'Annos Pandemicus' of the year just gone, but that is behind us and as Christians we must always look forward in hope. The Saviour whose birth we are celebrating is Our Risen Lord who says: 'And know that I am with you always; yes, to the end of time.' (Matthew 28,20.)

May I also thank you for the many kind cards and gifts given at this time of year. But most of all I thank you most sincerely for your continued love and prayerful support of all the parish clergy. I am sure that I speak for all the priests and deacons when I say that it is a privilege to serve both Our Lady Queen of Peace and St. George's parishioners. We look forward to this New Year with all its joys and challenges knowing that Jesus is with us on every step of our journey of faith.

With gratitude and assurance of prayer,

Canon Brian

Act now and ask your MP to oppose introducing assisted suicide



The assisted suicide lobby have launched a large campaign to put pressure on the Government to reconsider the legalisation of assisted suicide.

It is vital that it is clear to the Government that the public want them to continue to hold strong against this pressure from assisted suicide campaigners and reject their demands.

Right To Life UK have set up an easy to use tool which will enable you to email your MP asking them to make it clear to the Government that it should not give into demands from the assisted suicide lobby to reconsider the legalisation of assisted suicide. It only takes 30 seconds to email your MP by visiting the link below:

<https://righttolife.org.uk/StopAssistedSuicide>

Spiritual Confession

People who cannot get to confession because of the coronavirus lockdown or another serious reason can go to God directly, be specific about their sins, request pardon and experience God's loving forgiveness, **Pope Francis** said.

"This is the right time, the opportune moment. An act of contrition done well, and our souls will become white like the snow," the pope said on March 20 during his livestreamed morning Mass.

"Return to your father who is waiting for you," the pope said. "The God of tenderness will heal us; he will heal us of the many, many wounds of life and the many ugly things we have done. God welcomes every repentant sinner with open arms, he said. "It's like going home!"

Prayer of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,
I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

A Prayer for Our Uncertain Times

May we who are merely inconvenienced, remember those whose lives are at stake.

May we who have no risk factors, remember those most vulnerable.

May we who have the luxury of working from home, remember those who must choose between preserving their health and paying their rent.

May we who have the flexibility to care for our children when their schools close, remember those who have no options.

May we who have to cancel our trips, remember those who have no safe place to go.

May we who are losing our savings in the tumult of the economic market remember those who have no money at all.

May we who settle in for a quarantine at home, remember those who have no home.

As fear grips our country, let us choose love.

And during this time when we may not be able to physically wrap our arms around each other, let us yet find ways to be the loving embrace of God to our neighbours. Amen.

We cry out to you

God of all,
we cry out to you for help.
In your mercy, hear our prayer.
Protect us, Lord, and be with us
especially those of us most vulnerable
during this coronavirus crisis.
Move us to reach out in love
to our neighbours near and far.
So that the humble may be exalted,
the hungry filled with good things.
Grant us the courage
not to rush back to our old ways,
but to rebuild our world together,
creating foundations of justice,
with equality and peace for all.
Amen.