

St. Mary and St. John's Church

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Fr. Dawid Piskorz and Brother Rafal Smaga,
Fr. Michal Bortnik – Parish Priest of St. Joseph's (all OSPPE)

MASSES INTENTIONS

SATURDAY: 24th July.
6.30pm (Sunday Vigil) **Parishioners**
SUNDAY: 25th July. 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
10.00am: (Sung Mass) **Monica Higginson**
11.30am: **In Thanksgiving & Blessing for Uwa**
MONDAY: 26th July. SS. Joachim & Anne, parents of Our Lady
10.00am: **Fr. Kazimierz's Intention**
TUESDAY: 27th July. Feria or Blessed Robert Sutton, Martyr
10.00am:
WEDNESDAY: 28th July. Feria
10.00am
THURSDAY: 29th July. St. Martha
10.00am:
FRIDAY: 30th July. St. Peter Chrysologus.
11.00-11.45 am: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
12.00 noon: **Mary Teresa Hedgecox RIP**
SATURDAY: 31st July. St. Ignatius of Loyola
9.30am:
6.30pm (Sunday Vigil) **Lily Jackson RIP**
SUNDAY: 1st August. 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
10.00am (Sung Mass) **Parishioners**
11.30am: **Siemon C. van der Valk RIP**

MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION AT SUNDAY MASSES

10.00am: Catherine & Mark Darmody
Next week: Mary Smith & Bro. Stephen
11.30am: David Lashford

READERS AT SUNDAY MASSES

6.30pm Saturday: This week: Verna Doyle
Next week: Tony Mear
10.00am Sunday: This week: Rachel & Madeleine Blount
Next week: Mary Smith
11.30am This week: Emma Flanagan, David Lashford
Next week: Abin Thomas, Jude Joseph Gubral

COUNTING TEAMS:

This week: Mr & Mrs Wynn, Father Kazimierz
Next week: Emmanuel Bastian, Keith Wycherley

COLLECTIONS LAST SUNDAY:

Offertory: Covenants: £ Loose: £
Flowers: £

Thank you for your very generous contributions

SECOND COLLECTIONS:

This week: Church Maintenance
Next week: Church Maintenance

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING WHO ARE SICK OR HOUSEBOUND: Leon Stefek (Father Kazimierz's Father), David Deller, Bridget Ryan, David Barlow, Bridget Keane, Gerard Lawlor, Kathleen Reynolds, Pauline Ryan, Molly Ball, Tim Shee, John and Vona Smout, Hilda Westwood, Iris Duncan, Margaret Kenny, Pat Burton, Peter Blackwell, Keith Basudev, Ken and Hazel Harris, Bridget Lawrence, Anil Basudev, June Randles, Colleen Nicholas, Ann Proffitt, Joan Lindsell, Floss Jenkins, Sister Kay, Frances Page, Frances Butler, Mrs. MacDonald, Marie Matthews, Sister Dominic, Mary Landers, David Lashford, Margaret Davies, Olga Borowa and all those who are physically or mentally handicapped.

ANNIVERSARIES: Fr. Basil Wrighton, an 'old boy' of our Parish, ordained 1929; Howard Chamell, Brenda Parkes

CONFESSIONS:

Friday 11.00 – 11.45am Saturday: 10.00am – 10.30am
AND BY REQUEST



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ROSARY

Mon. – Thurs.: following 10.00am Mass. Fri.: 11.30am
Sat.: following 9.30am Mass. **Sunday at 5.00pm**

VOCATIONS: This week we are asked to pray for Joseph Patterson, David Pranauskas, Philip Prince, Paul Kavukwa, David Williams, Pete Middleton, Jack Foxall and Charles Duncombe, all studying for the Permanent Diaconate. A special prayer for Michael Puljic, for whom we have been praying for six years: he has now been ordained: please keep him in your prayers.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY will recommence on Sunday 12th September.

OUR TUESDAY CLUB will recommence at 1.30pm on Tuesday 14th September, as we are now having a Summer Break.

GENTLE KEEP-FIT in our hall every Tuesday, 11.00am until 12 noon. If you wish to join, just turn up, you will be made very welcome.

PAPAL VISIT – The cost of each ticket (to include the coach fare) is £25. The coaches will be leaving early morning from St. Patrick's. The coaches will be parking some distance from Cofton Park so there will be a lot of walking involved. We feel, because of the small allocation of the tickets, that only Church workers and regular Sunday Mass attenders could be considered for a ticket. If you have signed the list and because of the cost or the difficulties that will be encountered e.g. walking, and no longer wished to be considered, please let one of the priests know as soon as possible.

MASS INTENTIONS – If you wish for a Mass to be said for either a relative or friend, living or deceased, please see one of the priests.

HYMNBOOKS – It is hoped that 200 hymnbooks can be ordered soon. However, we have not yet received enough funds for the 200 books. Donations would be gratefully received.

SAINT OF THE WEEK

ST. IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA (Saturday) was born in Northern Spain in the late 1490s of an ancient noble family. Like so many of his time and background he trained as a soldier, but after a few years a cannon-ball broke his leg badly in a siege. He suffered a great deal from this (surgery was very primitive, and there were no anaesthetics) and was near to death on at least one occasion. Even when he recovered, he walked with a limp for the rest of his life. During a long convalescence, reading some lives of saints inspired him to a life dedicated to prayer and penance. As a soldier, he had little formal education, so he decided to study "as a means of helping him to work for souls". After many misunderstandings and false accusations against him, he was ordained priest. With some companions he formed the Society of Jesus, and offered their services to the Pope to do whatever he needed. Europe was in turmoil by the Reformation, and his Society was intended to be in the forefront of the defence of the Faith. He became the first superior of the new order (soon to be called 'Jesuits') in 1541, and by the time of his death fifteen years later, the Society had grown to over a thousand members, who were working in many lands to spread the Faith. They were very active in England in the Penal Times, and 26 of our martyrs were Jesuits. The motto that St. Ignatius adopted 'Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam' (To the Greater Glory of God, usually abbreviated to AMDG) is frequently found on prayer cards and pictures.