

ROMAN CATHOLIC
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Holy Family Church
Lily Lane, Platt Bridge



Sacred Heart Church
Swan Lane, Hindley Green



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"Hindley Catholic"

To Arrange a Baptism

See Father Tony at church
after any weekend Mass

Visits to Sick & Housebound

Please contact Father Tony or one
of the deacons if you wish to
receive Holy Communion at home

Hospital Patient Visits

If you wish to see a priest please
let the hospital staff know.

To Hire Holy Family Parish Hall

Contact Cecilia or Geoff
Tel. 01942 861084

SUNDAY 3RD DECEMBER 2017

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK

SUNDAY 3RD DECEMBER 2017 – FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT (YEAR B)				
Sat. 5.30pm	Sacred Heart	Mass	The Kenny Family	Missal Page Number
Sun. 9.00am	Sacred Heart	Mass	William & Elizabeth Gaskell	
Sun. 10.30am	Holy Family	Mass	Teresa Woods	
MONDAY 4TH DECEMBER 2017				
▶ 1.45pm ◀	Holy Family	Funeral Mass for Joseph Stanley King		
7.00pm	Sacred Heart	Mass	Marie Burrows	3
TUESDAY 5TH DECEMBER 2017				
10.00am	Holy Family	Mass	Bill Roberts	7
WEDNESDAY 6TH DECEMBER 2017				
10.00am	Sacred Heart	Mass	Deceased of Owens Family	10
3.00pm	Belong	Mass	Parishioners	
THURSDAY 7TH DECEMBER 2017 – COMMEMORATION OF SAINT AMBROSE				
10.00am	Holy Family	Mass	Norman Radcliffe	13
▶ 7.00pm ◀	Sacred Heart	Recitation of the Rosary		
▶ 7.20pm ◀	Sacred Heart	Mass	In Thanksgiving (VA)	2100
FRIDAY 8TH DECEMBER 2017 – SOLEMNITY OF MARY'S IMMACULATE CONCEPTION				
7.00pm	Sacred Heart	Mass	In Thanksgiving to Saint Jude	2100
SATURDAY 9TH DECEMBER 2017				
11.00am	Holy Family	Mass	Intentions of Sister Megan	18
SUNDAY 10TH DECEMBER 2017 – SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT (YEAR B)				
Sat. 5.30pm	Sacred Heart	Mass	John Shaw	
Sun. 9.00am	Sacred Heart	Mass	Eric Gaskell	
Sun. 10.30am	Holy Family	Mass	The Turner Family	

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions)

Friday at 7.30pm at Sacred Heart
Saturday at 11.30am at Holy Family

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday from 11.30am to 12 noon at Holy Family

Mass in Belong Residential Village

Wednesday at 3.00pm in The Venue.
Everyone welcome to come along.

MISSALS FOR WEEKDAY MASS

Weekday Missals are provided
at the back of each church for
the use of those who assist at
daily Mass. Page numbers are
printed on the newsletter each
week and on the poster on the
notice board at each church.

ACTION IN SUPPORT OF CATHOLIC EDUCATION

Do you support Catholic Schools and the right of Catholic parents to send their children to them? Then the Bishops of England and Wales ask that you make your voice heard!

The Government is making a critical decision on whether to overturn the admissions cap which prevents new Catholic Schools from allowing all Catholic pupils to attend. The Prime Minister has acknowledged that this policy discriminates against Catholics and had previously promised to abandon it. But now the Government may decide to keep this discriminatory policy in place after all, instead of removing it.

The Bishops need you to tell the Government to stop discriminating against Catholics by this policy and to remove the admissions gap on new faith-based schools. You can do this by visiting <http://catholicnews.org.uk/education-cap> or search for "Catholic Education" in your search engine to write to the Government and urge them to drop their policy which bans new Catholic Schools.

FAREWELL UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN

The Funeral Rites of Stan King from Bickershaw Lane, Bickershaw, who died on the 13th of November aged 87 years, will be celebrated on Monday of this week the 4th of December at 1.45pm in Holy Family Church prior to burial at Westwood Cemetery. May the Lord welcome him home.

FEASTS OF THE WEEK

Thursday – Saint Ambrose

Born in Trier (Germany) about 340, Ambrose was ordained bishop on this day in 374 and died at Milan (Italy) on Holy Saturday 397. A lawyer, he became governor in Milan and was still a catechumen when elected bishop by popular acclaim. He upheld orthodoxy against the Arians and won many Christian converts. Ambrose is remembered as an outstanding pastor through his writings on the sacraments and Christian ethics and through his homilies, instructions, and hymns.

Friday – The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

This feast had its origin in the East as the “Conception of Mary by Saint Anne.” It spread during the Middle Ages as the “Immaculate Conception” and was extended to the entire Church in the eighteenth century. The feast celebrates Mary, preserved from sin from the moment of conception: She is the first-fruits of her Son’s redemption and a prophetic model of what the Church is called to be.

FIRST ANNIVERSARIES DURING DECEMBER

Our congratulations and best wishes to those who celebrate First Anniversaries during this month:

Enzo Roberts-Adriano, son of Agostino Adriano and Danielle Roberts of Cambourne Drive, Hindley Green, and Eden Rain Devers, son of John and Elsa Devers, who were both baptised at Sacred Heart Church by Deacon Ken on the 28th of December 2016.

And we continue to hold in prayer before the Lord those whose First Anniversaries of Death occur during this month:

Eileen Sharples of Lee Lane, Abram who died on the 7th of December 2016 aged 89 years; Vicky Bridges of Ruabon Crescent, Hindley Green who died on the 8th of December 2016 aged 69 years; Kathleen Hunter of Mahogany House Nursing Home who died on the 14th of December 2016 aged 74 years; Ann Brown of Carrington Court Nursing Home who died on the 14th of December 2016 aged 96 years; Marie Taylor of Barley Brook Nursing Home who died on the 16th of December 2016 aged 85 years; Tony Sutton of Westleigh Lane, Leigh who died on the 24th of December 2016 aged 76 years; and Keith Taylor of New Street, Platt Bridge who died on the 31st of December 2016 aged 80 years.

LEGION OF MARY ROSARY AND MASS

To celebrate the Vigil of the Feast of Our Lady’s Immaculate Conception the Legion of Mary will lead the praying of the Rosary in Sacred Heart Church next Thursday the 7th of December at 7.00pm followed by the Celebration of Mass. Refreshments will be served after the Mass in Sacred Heart Club. Everyone is welcome to come along, especially if you are a current or former member of the Legion of Mary.

ADVENT EXTRA MAGAZINE

To help celebrate the Season of Advent we have Redemptorist Publications’ “Advent Extra” magazine available to buy. Following the theme of “*Joy to the World*” there’s a pull-out children’s Advent Calendar and activity pages, daily prayerful reflections and lots more. On sale from the back of each church at £1.95.

HOLY FAMILY LOOSE CHANGE COLLECTION

Please take a loose-change collecting tin, if you haven’t already done so – and when it’s full, bring it to church and take another one! £70 has been donated so far.

CHRISTMAS CARDS ON SALE

A selection of religious Christmas Cards and 2018 Calendars and Catholic Diaries is available for you to buy at the Piety Shop at the back of each of our churches.

THANK YOU FOR LAST WEEK

Holy Family

Sunday Offertory	£390.78
Animate Youth	£ 81.55

Sacred Heart

Sunday Offertory	£643.50
Animate Youth	£205.00

Our heartfelt thanks to everyone who organised and worked for, and to all who supported **Sacred Heart Christmas Fayre** which took place last Sunday afternoon and which raised a total amount of £1,710 to be divided equally between Sacred Heart Church and Sacred Heart School.

HOLY FAMILY CHOCOLATE TOMBOLA

This year’s Christmas Chocolate Tombola at Holy Family will take place after Mass next Sunday the 10th of December.

SACRED HEART CHRISTMAS BINGO

Christmas Bingo sessions are taking place over the next two Wednesdays, the 6th and 13th of December, in Sacred Heart Club starting at 8.30pm each evening. Prizes include turkeys, chickens, wines, spirits and cash prizes. Everybody welcome!

MARRIAGE PREPARATION FACILITATORS NEEDED

The Marriage Preparation team in the Archdiocesan Pastoral Formation Department are looking to recruit some new facilitators who would help lead and deliver their marriage preparation courses. If you would like to become a facilitator please contact Frank for more information and to discuss the role. Phone him on 0151 522 1046 or email him at f.reppion@rcaol.co.uk