



Second Sunday of Advent

PARISH OF ST. GERARD

CASTLE VALE

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SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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Mass Times This Week

Sunday 6th December
Mass 10:00am

Monday 7th December
Mass

Tuesday 8th December
Mass

Wednesday 9th December
School Mass

Thursday 10th December
No Mass

Friday 11th December
Mass 7:00pm

Saturday 12th December
No Mass

Please remember in your prayers:

The sick: Pat Cook, Agnes Primus, Rita Wray, Jamie Morris, Nancy Medd, Margaret Coyne, Norman Oliver, Irene Westwood, Josephine & Bernadette Monaghan, Gillian Stanworth, and all the sick priests of the diocese. May the Lord grant them the healing they require.

Recently died: Mary Christeena RIP

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen. And all whose anniversaries occur this week.

Communion to the Sick and Housebound

If you know of anyone who is unable to go to Mass, and would like Communion, please contact Father Soji.

Mass Intentions

If you would like to have a Mass celebrated for a particular intention: on behalf of a family member, a friend or a deceased loved one, there are Mass Intention envelopes available.

Prayer Requests: we are happy to include the names of those who have recently died; or whose anniversaries may occur, as well as additions to the sick list. Please let us know if you wish for your relatives or friends' names to be included. Also we would be grateful for any amendments. Thank you.

Offertory Collection

Gift-Aid Envelopes	£74.00
Non Gift Aid	£95.91
Second Collection Parish	£66.96
Piety	£5.00
Total	£241.87



Thank you for your generosity!

100 CLUB WINNERS

29th November

£30.00 Eileen Morrisey (81)

£15.00 Linda Conroy (70)

Congratulations!

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

We are starting to collect raffle prizes and would be grateful to anybody who could help by donating any of the following please.

We'll start selling raffle tickets at the end of November.

1. Cash Prize
2. Family ticket to Thinktank Birmingham Science Museum
3. Family ticket to Black Country Living Museum
4. Whisky
5. Champagne
6. Digital scales
7. Hamper prizes
8. Bottle of wine
9. Christmas cake
10. Chocolates

St Gerard's Catholic Primary School

'We Live, Love and Learn Together with
Jesus'



Wed 7 Dec: Year 6 Confession

Wed 9 Dec: School Christmas carol concert at
6.00pm

Tues 15 Dec: Non-Uniform Day— wear Christmas
clothes



PARISH NOTICE BOARD

◆ **St Gerard's School Christmas Carol Concert** is Wednesday 9th December in Church at 6:00pm. All welcome!

◆ **We have a small collection of Christmas cards** and diaries which will be on sale before and after Mass.

◆ **Funeral** for Mary Christeena is 21 December at 12.00pm.

◆ **There will be special prayer and meeting after Mass** on 7th December at 7:00pm for the third Tuesday services. All are welcome

◆ **Christmas Raffle:** Raffle tickets will be sold after Mass for the next two weeks, £1 per strip. The Draw will take place on Sunday 20th December. There are some lovely prizes, thank you for your generosity.

◆ **Healing Mass every third Tuesday**, open to everybody starting 15 December. It begins with intercessory prayers at 6:00pm, then lively praise and worship between 6.30-7.30pm. Preaching the gospel at 7.30pm and finishing with Mass with Eucharistic procession at 8:00pm.

◆ **Communion to the sick** will be given on the first Friday of the month. Kindly inform if anyone is in need to Frances Irwin or Fr. Shyu: 074448490553.

USEFUL INFORMATION

◆ **Our Parish Safeguarding Officer** is Ann Nicholls.

◆ **Newsletter;** If you would like news or events advertised in Sunday's newsletter, please contact Father Soji no later than Wednesday morning. See overleaf for contact details.

◆ **Baptisms;** Parent(s) have to attend Sunday Mass regularly. Please contact Father Soji to obtain an application form and make arrangements.

◆ **Sacrament of the sick;** parishioners are asked to approach a priest to receive sacrament of the sick before being admitted to hospital for treatment. If you are housebound or are unable to attend mass, a priest will be happy to visit you in your home.