



St. Theresa's Birstall and Sacred Heart Rothley
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The First Sunday of Advent

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Mon, Tue & Fri (9.00 AM-12.30 PM)



Act 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.

We are live streaming the mass daily -St. Theresa Sacred Heart live (YouTube)

Christmas Masses-

We have a limit of 80 and 24 in both of our churches. I am asking parishioners to let me know if you and your family would like to attend Masses either on the 24th or the 25th of December. I may need to add more Masses according to the number of Parishioners would like to attend and I need to arrange priests to celebrate our Christmas Masses. If you can let me have your names, number of people attending, contact number, the day you would like to attend and the name of the church. You could either give to me or drop it to the presbytery would good and ASAP. Many thanks.

Dear All,
We will re-open both of our churches and start Masses from Saturday the 5th of December with evening Mass at 6.00PM. Like before the lock down social distancing and Masks are essential. See you all soon. God bless.

Sat 28th Nov 2020	Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (memorial)	09.00AM	Peter Beadle RIP
Sun 29th Nov 2020	First Sunday of Advent	9.00AM	Wences and Annie de Lima RIP
Mon 30th Nov 2020	St. Andrew, Apostle, Feast Requiem	09.00PM 12.30PM	Miller Family (GE) Peter Murphy RIP
Tue 1st Dec 2020	St. Edmund Campion, Martyr, Feast	09.00AM	Robin Bullock RIP
Wed 2nd Dec 2020	Feria Requiem	09.00AM 11.00AM	Private Intention Iris Lilly Cooper RIP
Thu 3rd Dec 2020	St. Francis Xavier, Priest, (Memorial)	09.00Am	Private Intention
Fri 4th Dec 2020	Feria	09.00AM	Joseph Matthews RIP
Sat 5th Dec 2020	St. Birinus, Bishop, (feast)	09.00AM 06.00PM	No Mass Denise Mitchell RIP

Next Week's Gospel Reading

Gospel

Mark 1:1-8

The beginning of the Good News about Jesus Christ, the Son of God. It is written in the book of the prophet Isaiah: Look, I am going to send my messenger before you; he will prepare your way. A voice cries in the wilderness: Prepare for the Lord, make his paths straight. and so it was that John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. All Judaea and all the people of Jerusalem made their way to him, and as they were baptised by him in the river Jordan they confessed their sins. John wore a garment of camel-skin, and he lived on locusts and wild honey. In the course of his preaching he said, 'Someone is following me, someone who is more powerful than I am, and I am not fit to kneel down and undo the strap of his sandals. I have baptised you with water, but he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit.'

The Meaning of the ADVENT WREATH



Symbol	Meaning
Circle	Eternity of God
Evergreen Wreath	Life, Immortality
Candle	Jesus is the light of the world.
4x Candles	Four weeks of Advent
3x Purple	Purple = prayer, penance, & preparation
1x Rose (Pink)	Rose = Rejoicing

Parish in Council meeting- at St. Theresa's on Monday the 14th December at 7.00PM. Limited spaces which must be booked in advance.

Rosminian News

Anyone considering their religious vocation please do not hesitate to get in touch with Rosminian Fathers. Please continue to pray and support. Many Thanks

For those who use online banking:
Standing Order—Account name: St. Theresa Birstall RCP
Sort Code: 309618
A/C No 03831076

Christmas Raffle-

We will commence selling squares for the above from Saturday the 5th of December. This fundraising is for parish funds. 1st Prize will be a Hamper kindly donated by the Co-op funeral parlour, will also include, a bottle of whiskey, Garden centre voucher, Christmas cake, Wine, Chocolates etc...



Thought for the Week

Jesus is our Physician. He fully knows our souls, and in His love He will cure them with His powerful healing art, provided that we make use of the medicine which He prescribes for us, namely prayer, efforts on our part, and unlimited trust.

Gift-aid envelopes-

If you are not able to attend Church, during this difficult times and you are the holder of an envelope, could you please put them through the presbytery door, to help keep our parish funds healthy. Many thanks for all your support.

Offertory Collection

Envelopes: £
Loose Plate: £
Total: £
Many Thanks

THE FIRST SUNDAY
IN ADVENT:

HOPE



FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES FALL AROUND THIS TIME

John Griffin, Maureen Chambers, Jan Ludwig, Joan Bradbury, John Doyle and James Brennan

RECENTLY DECEASED

Norah Miller, Peter Murphy, Iris Cooper, Joseph Matthews and Peter Halleron

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO ARE SICK

Matty Hatton, Paul Lallo, Sally Knight, Carolyn Hanley, Christina Prioretti, Oliver Vanderfejt, June McNeelance, Lorraine Pugh and Doreen Conannon