

Pope's prayer intention for November:

We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.. Amen.

Pope's prayer intention for December:

Let us pray for catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God: may they be witnesses, with courage and creativity and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Prayer for Advent

Come, long-expected Jesus. Excite in me a wonder at the wisdom and power of Your Father and ours. Receive my prayer as part of my service of the Lord who enlists me in God's own work for justice.

Come, long-expected Jesus. Excite in me a hunger for peace: peace in the world, peace in my home, peace in myself.

Come, long-expected Jesus. Excite in me a joy responsive to the Father's joy. I seek His will so I can serve with gladness, singing and love.

Come, long-expected Jesus. Excite in me the joy and love and peace it is right to bring to the manger of my Lord. Raise in me, too, sober reverence for the God who acted there, hearty gratitude for the life begun there, and spirited resolution to serve the Father and Son.

I pray in the name of Jesus Christ, whose advent I hail. Amen.



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FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

28TH NOVEMBER 2021

PSALM RESPONSE

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Let us see, O Lord, your mercy
and give us your saving help.

Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The Lord will bestow his bounty,
and our earth shall yield its increase.

To you, I lift up my soul, O my God.

In you, I have trusted; let me not be put to shame.

*Nor let my enemies exult over me;
and let none who hope in you be put to shame.*

(Roman Missal)



| Advent (C2) | Psalter week 1 | Intention/Info |
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| Sunday 27th/28th First Sunday of Advent | Sat 5pm Mass KF 9.45am Mass BH 11.30am Mass OH | Josephine Fernandez Garry Partridge Andrew Okodia |
| Monday 29th | | |
| Tuesday 30th St Andrew | 10am Mass OH 10.30am-11am OH | People of the Parish Adoration and Confessions |
| Wednesday 1st St Edmund Campion | 10am Mass BH 10.30am-11am BH | Holy Souls Adoration and Confessions |
| Thursday 2nd | 9am Mass School | School intention |
| Friday 3rd St Francis Xavier | 10.30am -11am KF 11am Mass KF | Adoration and Confessions Roger Richards |
| Saturday 4th | | |
| Sunday 4th/5th Second Sunday of Advent | Sat 5pm Mass KF 9.45am Mass BH 11.30am Mass OH | Kathleen Madigan People of the Parish Gilligan Family |

Please pray for all those whose have died recently especially Eliyama Elizabeth Koottakaithayil, Patricia Gray, those on our November and December deceased lists and for all those whose anniversaries occur this month. May they all rest in peace.

Collections BH GA £291.00 Loose £406.75 Johnson Fund £63.90, Sisters £88.28, Catholic Youth Services £75.08, Donation for repairs £1232.00
KF 21/11 GA £83.00 Loose £134.56 Donation £300.00, Hall rental £90.00, Catholic Youth services £72.87

BRIERLEY HILL: Craft Group Mon 22nd November 2pm to 4pm in Parish Centre
OLD HILL FOODSHARE Tuesday mornings 11am -1pm
KINGSWINFORD: Friday 9.30 - 11.30am **Foodbank** .

Please pray for all those who are sick including Pauline Bant, Jeanette Amphlett, Dorothy West, Margaret Gilroy, Harold Shackley, Michael Rose, Jill Rowe, James Kearney, Barbara Masterman, Margaret Shipley, Tess Barnsley, Steve Dunn, Lynsey Cooper, Alec Huffer, Kath Emery, Patricia Smith, Roy Davies, Chris and Tony Rylands, Margaret List, Ken Lowe, Peggy Tromans, Rob and Ilona Bryan, Betty Storey, Connie Birch, Stella Jones, Margaret Marlowe, Don Neale, Anne Peters, Jackie Spittle, David Barnsley and Dawn Russon. May the Lord grant them hope and healing.

FOODBANKS - If you are able to donate to them they will be happy to accept your donations. The need is growing so donations are much needed and gratefully received.

SECOND COLLECTIONS - This next week for Parish Debt (BH and OH only) next week Poor Parishes at all Churches

Kingswinford - Thank you to all those who have volunteered to take on the various roles. Thank you

Christmas fayre OH This Saturday 4th December this will be the first one in two years and donations for the various stalls will be very much appreciated. Please support them if you can.

Christmas Raffle - BH Christmas raffle . Please return all stubs, monies and any unsold tickets next Sunday. Thank you to those who have bought tickets already at BH and art KF we appreciate your support. First prize is a luxury hamper, second prize £50 cash, third 1ltr bottle of whiskey and then other prizes too. Draw will take place after Mass on Sunday 12th.

Walk With me The Diocesan Walk with me books are now available at the back of Church

Fr George Grynowski Many of you know Fr George as he has supported us over the last few years especially at Easter. He is seriously ill and in need of all our prayers.. Please pray for his speedy recovery and return to health

Christmas Masses - These are being finalised at the moment but there will be a Mass in each Church on Christmas Day. As it is a Saturday there will be no evening Mass at Kingswinford on the 25th but there will be Mass at 10am on Sunday 26th instead. Priests are very much in demand and we may not be able to have all the Masses we would like.

Honouring Sunday there is a statement from the Bishops of England and Wales regarding honouring Sunday now that people can return to Church. Please have a look at this on the Diocesan website.

Job vacancies with the Kenelm Youth Trust -please see the poster at the back of Church regarding job opportunities based at Alton, Staffordshire. For more details visit *work4KYT-KENELM YOUTH TRUST* website. Or contact

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