



**Parish of the Sacred Heart and Saint Margaret Mary, Aston**

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**Mass Times & Intentions**

10<sup>th</sup> /11<sup>th</sup> December

Third Sunday of Advent (Year A)

Gaudete (Rejoice!)

Saturday 12.30pm – Con Smyth RIP

Sunday 10.15am – Badland Family Ints

17<sup>th</sup>/18<sup>th</sup> December

Fourth Sunday of Advent (Year A)

Saturday 12.30pm – Annie Rooney & Tess Kehoe

Sunday 10.15am – Mary Aylward (Recovery)

Collection 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> December

1<sup>st</sup> Collection - £326.70

2<sup>nd</sup> Collection (Poor Parishes) – £179.70

**Christmas Mass Times 2022**

Christmas Eve – **No 12.30 Mass**

(Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> December)

Christmas Vigil Mass 5.00pm

Christmas Day

(Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> December)

Normal Sunday Mass 10.15am

New Year's Eve

(Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> December)

Normal Saturday Mass 12.30pm

New Year's Day

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> January – Mary, Mother of God)

Normal Sunday Mass 10.15am

**Prayers for those who have died:**

Marion Levell

**Prayers for members of our parish**

**community who are sick or housebound:**

Maura Green, John McManus, Bernadette Harnett, Noreen Fowler, Clem Murray, Julie Bartram, Mary Cartridge.

**Piety Stall** opens each weekend and holds a range of religious items, rosaries, missals, children's books, statues, crucifixes, holy water bottles, etc. Should you not be able to find what you require, then please ask and we will endeavour to order what you request.

**Holy Water** – we now have a new container, situated near Our Lady's Altar for parishioners to fill suitable containers, if you wish to have a supply for your home. Holy Water bottles are on sale at the Piety Stall.

**Mass Intentions:** Masses can be offered for anyone and for any intention. If you would like to have a Mass said for anyone then please complete a Mass Intention Request Envelope. These are kept at the back of the Church. You can choose to book your dates far into the future, so to secure a special date or anniversary, please let Father know. Stipends for Mass intentions are a donation at your discretion.

**Irish Heritage Group** meets at Sacred Heart Club (Grange Road, Aston) on the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the month – from 7pm to 9pm. Everyone is welcome.

**Volunteers needed** - there is a whole host of activities where your help will be greatly appreciated. If you have an interest or talent in any of the areas below or if you just feel that you would like to contribute more, then please get in contact.

The altar servers form a very important part of the church and every parish is enriched through their dedication and service. We welcome any young person to train as an altar server. If you feel this is something you would like to do please speak to Father Tim.

If you would like to help as a reader please speak to Kate or Mary McManus.

If you can assist with Church cleaning please speak to Teresa O’Gorman.

Children’s Liturgy is actually the Liturgy of the Word for Children. We cover the Gospel of the day at a level the children can understand and enjoy. Our aim is to make the children’s experience of church meaningful and enjoyable. If you are interested in getting involved, as a helper, please speak to Mary Greaney. All leaders and helpers must have a DBS check.

If you are interested in singing in the Choir please speak to Brendan Delaney.

**Sponsor a New Hymn Book** If you would like to sponsor one of our new Hymn books in memory or in honour of someone, please fill out one of the forms and return to Father Tim, Teresa O’Gorman or Marie Armstrong or via the collection basket. You can sponsor as many hymn books as you wish. The cost to sponsor a single hymn book is £10.00. THANK YOU!

**Cardinal Wiseman Catholic Secondary School (Kingstanding)** are currently under consultation to change their school admissions criteria for the intake year 2024 / 2025. All details of the proposed changes can be found on the school website [www.cardinalwiseman.net](http://www.cardinalwiseman.net) under ‘School Admissions’ – ‘Proposed Admissions Arrangements 2024-2025’. If you wish to comment on these changes, please contact the school admissions team directly at [enquiry@cardinalwiseman.net](mailto:enquiry@cardinalwiseman.net).

**St Chad’s Cathedral Carol Service** – Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 5pm. All welcome.

#### **Who to contact**

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