

ST BERNADETTE'S RC CHURCH



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Sunday 8th December 2019
Second Sunday of Advent

MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

Sunday Masses

Saturday 6 pm
Sunday 9 am, 11 am, 5.30 pm

Weekday Masses

Monday, Wednesday & Friday 10 am
Tuesday and Thursday No Mass
Saturday morning No 10 am Mass

Exposition and Benediction

Friday 7.30 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

There will be no Confessions on Saturday
14th December

SCHOOL MASS

The children of our school will be joining us for the 10 am Mass on Friday 13th December.

SCHOOL NATIVITY PLAY

Our Senior Citizens have been invited to watch St Bernadette's Year Two Nativity Play on Thursday, December 12th at 9.30 am. Please ring the school on 01895 232298 if you would like to go, as they need to know numbers.

J&P FOODBANK NEWS

The Christmas Food Bank Collection this weekend. Please leave your donations in the usual place. Many thanks.

CONFIRMATION COURSE 2020

If you are in Year 10 and above, and would like to take part in next year's Confirmation course, application forms are available at the back of the church. Please note that all forms must be returned to the Parish Office by **this Friday, December 13th**.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Please remember our FHC children in your prayers as they attend the latest session of their course and then join us for the 11 am Mass this morning.

ST BERNADETTE'S SCHOL CHRISTMAS FAYRE

TODAY!! (Sunday). From noon till 3 pm, St Bernadette's School is having their annual Christmas Fayre. There will be a food hall with Curries, Cakes, Irish Coffee, Coffees and Teas, as well as exciting stalls for young and old. Finally we have a Grand Raffle with lots of fantastic prizes. Do come and join us!

CHRISTMAS AT THE REPOSITORY

Please visit the shop at the back of the church for a full range of Christmas and Advent items, including cards, crib scenes, tree decorations and candles.

CERTIFICATE OF CATHOLIC PRACTICE FOR PRIMARY SCHOOLS

Uncollected Certificates can be picked up during Office hours (please see below).

CHRISTMAS CRAFT SESSION

Come and join us next Sunday, 15th December, between 2-4 pm in the Parish Hall for an environmentally friendly Craft afternoon! Learn how to recycle/repurpose items to decorate your home for Christmas, while enjoying a drink and a mince pie (or two).

A great parent & child event - suitable for adults and accompanied older children (6+). All materials provided, but please bring your own scissors.

Cost £5 on the door - all proceeds go to our new Community Meeting Room.

EVENING GATHERING

Please join the team in the Hall after the 6 pm Mass on Saturday, 14th December for tea and coffee.

DIOCESAN VACANCIES

around the Diocese can be viewed at <https://jobs.rcdow.org.uk/>

WEEKLY COLLECTION Thank you for your Offering last week of £2,123.38.

PRAYER FOR THE SECOND WEEK OF ADVENT

Heavenly Father, you have shown, through the Bible, the wonder of your love for us in Jesus Christ. Help us to understand your Word with our minds and apply it in our lives.

AMEN

MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

Please note that there is Mass this week on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. There will be no Friday morning Exposition until after the New Year.

OAK FARM CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Senior Citizens have been invited to attend Oak Farm School's Concert on Wednesday, 18th December at 2 pm. Please take an invitation, personally written by the children, from the back of the church.

DOW FORMATION PROGRAMME 'LEARN FROM ME'

If you are interested in gaining a qualification from the Maryvale Institute in catechesis or liturgical ministries, there are leaflets, and a poster, about courses at the back of the church. There is also an Information Evening at Vaughan House on Thursday 23rd January at 7.30 pm, which you would be welcome to attend to find out more.

THE BIG GIVE

The Passage is raising funds through the Big Give until 12 noon on Tuesday 10th December to support its work helping Homeless People this winter. This is a matched giving scheme for online donations. If someone (company, individual or trust) gave £10 online matched giving would bring the Gift up to £20. Gift Aid can also be applied for individuals. For more information ring Andrew Hollingsworth 020 75921856 andrew.h@passage.org.uk

Parish Priest: Fr Matthew Heslin **Deacon:** Rev. Reg Abrahams
Parish Secretary: Mrs Linda Broadbridge (email: lindab@rcdow.org.uk)
Office Hours: Monday & Friday 9 am – 3.30 pm, Wednesday 10 am – 2 pm.