

**ST OSWALD & ST EDMUND ARROWSMITH
CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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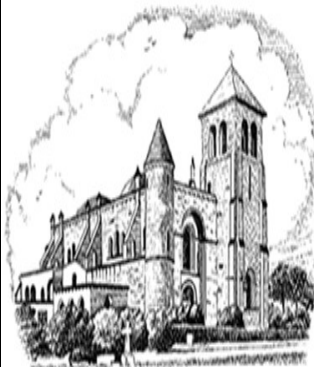
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Week commencing: 20th December 2020

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Saturday	6.00pm (StW)	Kevin Borman
Sunday	9.30am (OLI)	Margaret Johnson & Mary Hogan
	11.00am (StO)	Frank Howgate
	6.30pm (OLI)	Parishioners

Weekday Masses

Monday	9.00am (OLI)	Jim & Mary Byrne
Tuesday	9.30am (StW)	Thelma Maguire
Wednesday	9.30am (StO)	Thomas Huyton
Thursday	9.00am (StW)	Private Intention
Christmas Eve:	7.00pm (StO)	Parishioners
	9.00pm (StW)	Anthony Rogerson
Christmas Day	9.30am (OLI)	Patricia Allen
	11.00am (StO)	Henry & May O'Donnell
Saturday	St. Stephen, First Martyr	
	10.00am (StO)	George Collins

FEAST of the HOLY FAMILY (B)

Saturday	6.00pm (StW)	Parishioners
Sunday	9.30am (OLI)	Maureen Rigby
	11.00am (StO)	Daniel & Ellen Towey

**Please note: There is no 6.00pm Mass at Our Lady's
next Sunday.**

Services during the week

Confessions: No Confessions this week

**Rosary: There will be no public recitation of
the Rosary until further notice.**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Mon—Tues: 10.00am-12 noon (StO)

Novena: Wed: 7.00pm (OLI)

Anniversaries

20th Dec	Winifred Boot	Joseph Johnson
21st Dec	Ellen Prior	
22nd Dec	David Reynolds	Elizabeth Rimmer
23rd Dec	Mary Hogan	Margaret Johnson
	Fr Eamon O'Brien	
24th Dec	Anthony Rogerson	
25th Dec	Patricia Allen	Frederick King
	William McDonald	Beryl Marshall
	John Reynolds	James Sands
26th Dec	Edward McAuliffe	Horace Twist

Children of Bethlehem

Our annual fund for the Children of
Bethlehem is now open, should anyone wish
to make a donation.

In place of the usual Crib Offerings, there
will be a retiring collection after all Masses
on Sunday 3rd Jan.

Christmas Mass times

The following schedule will apply for Masses over the Christmas weekend:

Christmas Eve:	7.00pm Vigil	St. Oswald's
	9.00pm Vigil	St. Wilfrid's
Christmas Day:	9.30am	Our Lady's
	11.00am	St. Oswald's

There will be **No** Midnight Mass or evening Mass on Christmas Day.

Due to limits on capacity in each Church, **ALL** Masses will be ticketed, and **there will be NO admission without a ticket**, including children. Tickets are available after Mass at the weekend, and during the week.

Each Mass has a different coloured ticket, and so is valid to that Mass only. You may obtain tickets for your household only. Please only request tickets which you know will be used, otherwise you will be denying someone else the opportunity to attend Mass. Each ticket is numbered, and you will be asked to give the name, address and telephone number of each ticket-holder, and the number in the household.

Those with tickets are asked to take their seat in Church no later than 15 minutes before the start of Mass.

If, for any reason, you are unable to attend Mass e.g. due to illness or a change in circumstances, please return the ticket, even at the last possible moment, as this may allow someone else to be admitted.

Between Christmas and New year, daily Mass will be at 10.00am each day, apart from 12 noon on New Year's Day. There will be no Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Oswald's between Christmas and New Year.

Masses for the Feast of the Holy Family (27th December) are as follows:

Saturday Vigil Mass:	6.00pm	St. Wilfrid's
Sunday:	9.30am	Our Lady's
	11.00am	St. Oswald's



OH HOLY NIGHT!

**'Listen, I bring you news of great joy,
A joy to be shared by the whole people.
Today, in the town of David,
A Saviour has been born to you.
He is Christ the Lord.
(Luke 2:10-11)**

Especially this year, I would like to thank all those who have, in so many ways, given so generously of their time to ensure we are able to keep our Churches open.

On behalf of Deacons Jim & Paul and myself, I wish you and your families joy and peace at the birth of Christ, our Saviour, and every blessing of this Holy Season.