



20 January 2019
Peace Sunday
Good politics is at the service of peace
 Pope Francis

PAX CHRISTI is a membership organisation of individuals, families, communities and parishes from around the country. Pax Christi works for :

- Peace – based on justice. A world where human rights are respected, basic needs are met, and people feel safe and valued in their communities.
- Reconciliation – a process which begins when people try to mend relationships – between individuals or whole countries after times of violence or dispute.
- Nonviolence – a way of living and making choices that respects others, challenges what is not fair or just, and offers alternatives to violence and war

Every year Pax Christi promotes the Holy Father's World Peace Day Message on the 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time. This is in the Liturgical Calendar cycle of prayer. Further information may be found on their website: <http://paxchristi.org.uk/news-and-events/peace-sunday/>

PRAYER & REFLECTION

Lord God of peace, hear our prayer!
 We have tried so many times and over so many years to resolve our conflicts by our own powers and by the force of our arms.

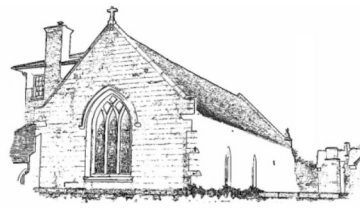
How many moments of hostility and darkness have we experienced;
 how much blood has been shed; how many lives have been shattered;
 how many hopes have been buried... But our efforts have been in vain.

Now, Lord, come to our aid!
 Grant us peace, teach us peace; guide our steps in the way of peace. Open our eyes and our hearts, and give us the courage to say:
 "Never again war!" "With war everything is lost".
 Instill in our hearts the courage to take concrete steps to achieve peace. **Amen.**

Pope Francis, 2014

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**Times of Holy Mass and Intentions
 (YEAR C Readings)**

Sunday 20 January 8.30 am - 10.30 am - There will be a second collection today, Sunday 20 January, for Pax Christi	Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Paul Hoban R.I.P. For the People of The Parish
Monday 21 January 9.00 am -	Memorial of St Agnes, Virgin Martyr Ada Rosinski R.I.P.
Tuesday 22 January 9.00 am -	Feria in Ordinary Time Holy Souls
Wednesday 23 January 9.00 am - 9.30 am -	Feria in Ordinary Time Doreen Millard R.I.P. # Discussion Group (please see note below)
Thursday 24 January 11.30 am -	Memorial of St Francis de Sales, Bishop Private Intention
Friday 25 January 11.30 am -	Feast of the Conversion of St Paul Deceased members of the Grogan family
Saturday 26 January 10.00 am -	Memorial of Ss Timothy & Titus, Bishops Stan Robson R.I.P.
Sunday 27 January 8.30 am - 10.30 am -	Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Veronica Mitchell R.I.P. For the People of The Parish

The Wednesday Word Trust leaflets are available from the table in the porch or may be downloaded from: <http://www.wednesdayword.org/parish/index.htm> (click on The Parish Version) either for your personal use at home or in anticipation of the **GROUP DISCUSSION** on **WEDNESDAY MORNINGS**. The informal discussion group is led by Fr John and is open to everyone. Do come along for a coffee and an exchange of ideas!



"Where two or three come together in my name, I am with them."
 Matt 18:20

Anniversaries in January: Rev John Morgan (1718), Thomas Mewburn Crook (1949), Charles Keeffe (1977), Margaret Steele (1978), Ronald Fry (1978), Leofric Howell (1995), Sir Robert Grant Ferris (1997), Juliet Bradley (2001), Eve Mary Smith (2001), Anne Mulroy (2004), Elizabeth Bashford (2005), Bernadette Pinfield (2007), William Eardley 2009, Thaddeus Keane 2010, Pam Taft (2011), Denis Thomas Kimberlin (2014)

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Please pray for the repose of the souls of recently deceased members of our community
Ellie Tansey, Ray Fogg, Noel Clarke
May they Rest In Peace
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Prayers for the sick: Denis Conway, Kathleen Clarke, Anthony Mitchell, Jeannie Morrison, Charles Paice, Michael Bird.

Eucharistic Ministers:

Sunday 20 January Stephen Fox, Helen Raphael
Joan McKay, Annick Harvey
Sunday 27 January Eddie Picardo, Bridget Robson
John Charuk, Steve McWalter

Readers:

Sunday 20 January Marian Trafford
Frances Rimmer
Sunday 27 January Biddy Goodyear
Ruth Whittle

Church Cleaners:

Friday 25 January June & Robert Hall
Friday 1 February Maureen Brewer, Teresa Crane & Anne-Marie Robinson

Money Counters:

For the 20 Jan collection Marie Hesketh & Julie Charuk
For the 27 Jan collection Mr J W Bradley

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Contributions to the Parish:

Weekly Offertory taken on Sunday 13 January

Gift Aid Direct Debits	£259.00
Gift Aid Envelopes	£188.50
Loose cash	£150.80

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SAFEGUARDING OFFICER: Mrs J Lloyd - 01562 754448

- If you would like to speak to someone about Diocesan safeguarding and the Church's work, please call **0121 230 6240**.
- If you would like to speak to someone independent of the Church you can contact the NSPCC on **0800 800 5000**.

HEALTH & SAFETY OFFICER: Mr M Dawson

EMERGENCY EXIT: This is via the sacristy and through the house



Our next collection for the **KIDDERMINSTER FOOD BANK** will be on **SUNDAY 27 JANUARY**. There is need for supplies generally but they have asked for washing up liquid and soap powder/laundry capsules as well as tinned cold meats, tinned pasta of all descriptions including macaroni cheese, tinned vegetables, soups especially containing meat and vegetables, rice pudding, jam and UHT milk, tomato and brown sauces. Toiletries for adults and children (toothpaste and brushes) and any other non perishable goods you would like to donate. Cash donations also welcomed and will be used by the Foodbank to purchase supplementary items. For such cash donations please use the envelopes provided on the porch table and hand them to Jane & Peter Handley or Fr John.

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The **Friends of the Holy Land** sincerely thank parishioners for their recent donation which includes the generous amount given to the Crib Collection.

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FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Children who will be 8 years old by June of this year are eligible for preparation classes for **First Holy Communion** at Harvington on Sunday 23 June 2019, the Solemnity of Corpus Christi. If this applies to a member of your family please complete the information slip available from the table in the porch and post it in the marked envelope on the clip board.

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

- **THE BOOK GROUP** will meet on **Monday 11 February** at 9.30 am in the stable, to discuss Melvyn Bragg's *The Soldier's Return*.
 - **THE EVENTS COMMITTEE** will meet in the stable on **Tuesday 26 February** at 2.00 pm and would warmly welcome the attendance of as many parishioners as possible to contribute their ideas for creating a strong social network within our community.
 - **THE PARISH SUMMER FETE** will take place on **Saturday 29 June** (one week later than in previous years) ... do 'save the date'!
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Congratulations to the **100 CLUB WINNERS** for DECEMBER 2018:
Mrs C McAviney, Mr J Mottram, Mrs P Mortiboy