



St. Marie's Church, Rugby, CV22 5EL
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CHRISTMAS SEASON

Dear parishioners, this has been a difficult year for everyone and it is wonderful to have the church open for mass once again. Having the live stream has been a life saver for many people and continues to be so for those who are vulnerable and unable to get to church. Unfortunately the equipment we are using for the live stream is not the best, hence the poor quality at times. We are hoping to replace the equipment with your help. If you would like to make a donation for some new equipment it would be greatly appreciated. You can make a donation either through the collection boxes in church, through the post or to the presbytery. Please just indicate that your donation is for the live stream. Even when this terrible crisis is at an end we believe the on line masses will still be utilised by many people not just in our own parish but around the world. Thank you for your continued support of our wonderful church and parish community. May God bless you and keep you safe in 2021, hopefully a better year for all of us.

APF Missio Red Boxes. Due to restrictions we can't hold our usual collection arrangements. Could you please empty your box into a marked envelope and leave it in church with your name on it. The APF calendars will be at the back of the church for you to collect. Could you please do this as soon as possible. Anyone with problems please contact Angela or Steve on 01788 570309.

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 Not open until 7th January 2021

Sat 2nd Jan 2021	St. Basil the Great and St. Gregory Nazianzen	09.30 AM 06.00 PM	All Parishioners Shirley Deery
Sun 3rd Jan 2021	Second Sunday after the Nativity	10.00 AM 06.00 PM	Liam Colleran Bridie Dempsey Derek & Declan Larkin
Mon 4th Jan 2021	Christmas Feria	10.00 AM	James O' Driscoll
Tue Jan 5th 2021	Christmas Feria	10.00 AM	John Jefferies
Wed 6th Jan 2021	Soleminity of the Epiphany of the Lord	10.00 AM	Nora O' Driscoll
Thu 7th Jan 2021	Christmas Feria	10.00 AM	John Smyth
Fri 8th Jan 2021	Christmas Feria	10.00 AM	Diego D' Souza
Sat 9th Jan 202	Christmas Feria	09.30 AM 06.00 PM	All Parishioners Manuel Quaresma

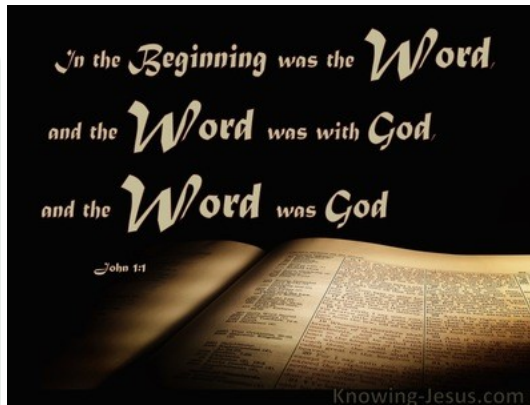
This Week's Gospel Reading.

In the beginning was the Word: and the Word was with God and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things came to be, not one thing had its being but through him. All that came to be had life in him and that life was the light of men, a light that shines in the dark, a light that darkness could not overpower. A man came, sent by God. His name was John. He came as a witness, as a witness to speak for the light, so that everyone might believe through him. He was not the light, only a witness to speak for the light. The Word was the true light that enlightens all men; and he was coming into the world. He was in the world that had its being through him, and the world did not know him. He came to his own domain and his own people did not accept him. But to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God, to all who believe in the name of him who was born not out of human stock or urge of the flesh.....

500 Club December Draw

1st prize No 1 = £40 2nd prize
No 73 = £30 3rd prize No 133 =
£20

Thank you all for supporting the 500 Club for another year. Subscriptions for 2021 are due at the end of December. These can be paid directly to the bank, by cash or cheque. If you haven't already joined please think about it. This year we have given £1100 to support our beautiful church. Wishing everyone a happy and safe Christmas.



THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Let us be one in faith with the holy shepherds, and let us by favour of Mary, the Virgin Mother, and St Joseph, enter into the Grotto which became the royal palace of the King of Kings and the Lord of glory. Let us approach with humble reverence, but without fear, so as to offer our homage to the Son of God, the eternal Word made flesh for us and born in a stable, placed in a manger for cattle. What a mystery of love! What a miracle of mercy! **Bl. Rosmini**

Parish Office

The Parish Office is closed from 21st December until 7th January 2021.

RECENTLY DIED

Kathleen Joan O'Brien
John McStay
Betty Kendall
Elizabeth Gelston

Responsorial Psalm

The Word was made flesh, and lived among us.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
Glory be to you, O Christ,
proclaimed to the pagans.
Glory be to you, O Christ,
believed in by the world.

Alleluia!

Please kindly note the change in email address. Please do not use the old email address of the parish. The new email address is stmaries.rugby@rcaob.org.uk

Prison Visit

Because of Covid restrictions, members of our church choir will not be able to visit Rye Hill prison this year to join in the celebration of their Christmas Mass. Please remember the prisoners and their families in your prayers.



FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES FALL AROUND THIS TIME

John William Lennon, David Foot, Nora & Jack O'Shay, Paul Simpson, Hazel Watkin, Vittoria Dimarino, Josph Fernandes, Michael Cowley, Zdzislawa Cybulska, Sheila Mitchell, Jorge Picarra, Eleanor Flynn, Patrick Joseph Hannifin, Annette Todd, Michael Collins, Theresa Rose Stubbings, Vincent Ferdinands

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO ARE SICK

Tom Donnelly, Sharon Colleran, Rachel Mears, Freddie Fereday, Elsie Johnson, Piotr Fior, William Hearne, Sofia Roman Garcia, Hattie Taylor, Pat Mulvey, Lenny & Marie Niner, Val Muir, Noel Hayes, Sybil Brookes, Maureen Keane, Viviane McSweeney, John Melia, Tony Tyblewski and all those sick with coronavirus