

YEAR of MERCY...Merciful like the Father.” Pope Francis on 11 April issued **“Misericordiae Vultus”** or **“The Face of Mercy”** – the official **Bull of Indiction** of the Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy, set to begin 8 December.

In the document, Pope Francis says the Holy or Jubilee Year is “dedicated to living out in our daily lives the mercy” which God “constantly extends to all of us.”

After the Holy Door of St Peter’s is opened on 8 December, the Holy Doors of the other papal basilicas will be opened in subsequent days. As a sign of communion of the whole Church, the pope has requested that every diocese in the world open a similar “Door of Mercy” for the local celebrations of the Jubilee.

The Pope writes. “Mercy is the very foundation of the Church’s life,” “The Church’s very credibility is seen in how she shows merciful and compassionate love.” He recalls that the motto of the Holy Year is **“Merciful like the Father.”**

“Wherever the Church is present, the mercy of the Father must be evident,” he writes. “Wherever there are Christians, everyone should find an oasis of mercy.”

The Pope offers practical ways to live well the Holy Year: go on pilgrimage as an “impetus to conversion”; do not judge or condemn but forgive and give, avoiding gossip, envy and jealousy; have a heart open to the fringes of society and bring consolation, mercy and solidarity to people who live in precarious situations; take up the corporal and spiritual acts of mercy with joy; and observe the “24 Hours for the Lord” initiative, which encourages prayer and the sacrament of reconciliation, in every diocese during Lent.



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Feast of Christ the King
21st/22nd November 2015

Year of Mark (B)

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Mass times and intentions below:

Vigil Mass Saturday:	Feast of Christ the King B 1.00 pm	Sarah Keogh (anniversary)
SUNDAY	11.30 am	Michael Mulvey (anniversary)
Monday	12 noon Funeral mass	Philip Kirnon R.I.P
Tuesday	7.30am	Holy Souls
Wednesday	12 noon	Mary McSwiggan’s Intention
Thursday	12 noon FUNERAL MASS	Rachel Doyle R.I.P
Friday	12 noon	Larry Renahan R.I.P.
Vigil Mass Saturday:	1st Sunday of Advent 1.00 pm 5pm Slovak Community Mass	Christine Gammelli (anniversary)
SUNDAY	11.30 am 9am Slovak Community Mass	Ron & Rose Masters

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Welcome to all our visitors! There is a 'quick' cup of tea/coffee in the TwentyTen Room (next to the sacristy) after Saturday's 1pm Mass; on Sundays after Mass meet and greet one another with a cuppa in the Parish Centre. On Wednesdays after 12 noon Mass the **'Wednesday Club'** meet in the Parish Centre for a meal, a chat, bingo. All welcome.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Wednesday 11.00 am to 11.45 am
Saturday 11.45 am to 12.45 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions):

Wednesday 11.00am to 11.45am
Saturday 11.45 am to 12.45 pm

Miraculous Medal Novena: Wednesday during Mass
Rosary is recited publicly Monday to Saturday before Mass.

Finance: **Offertory** **£562.89**
 Wednesday **£67.48**

Lord, grant eternal rest to those who died recently: Fr. Aengus Donlon, Philip Kirnon, Steve Pittaway, Rachel Doyle: for those whose anniversary occurs about this time, Christine Gammelli, Sarah Keogh, Michael Mulvey, Frs. David Higham, Michael Connolly, Edward Neary, Canons Augustine Emery, Maurice Wolfe; for Religious Priests, Sisters, Brothers who ministered in this area, and for deceased benefactors and parishioners of St Anne's. We pray for the Holy Souls.

Holy Souls: Welcome into your Kingdom our departed relatives and friends... For November, the list of our deceased relatives, friends, and colleagues may be placed in the box that is on the sanctuary. While writing out the names, ask members of your family or neighbours if they wish to include some relatives on the list.

Please do not put money with your list as the envelopes will not be opened.

The trip to Birmingham TRADFEST—Traditional Irish Music Festival 26th to 29th November see posters or visit www.birminghamtradfest.co.uk for

Parish Visitations: During November—March the parishes of the Cathedral Deanery are visited by Archbishop Bernard Longley and Bishop Robert Byrne. On Saturday 5th December and Sunday 6th December Archbishop Bernard will be visiting St. Anne's to meet parishioners and those who worship here, to listen to your ideas for the future, and to visit some of the organisations and groups. On Sunday pupils from St. Anne's Catholic Primary School will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation during 11.30am Mass. On Sunday afternoon the annual Carol Service and Party with the Catholic Fellowship will take place

JOURNEY in FAITH— No meeting on Saturday 28th November

Year of Mercy—Deanery Penance Service on Monday 14th December at St. Francis Church Handsworth at 7.30pm, with Priests from the deanery available for Confessions. The Service is prepared by Sisters of Mercy, Handsworth. Please make a note of the day and time and encourage others to join you.

See the "Year of Mercy" webpage on the Catholic Archdiocese of Birmingham website.

A Christmas card can mean so much ...Victims of torture, human rights groups and individuals under threat, and persecuted Christians need our support and our prayers. At Christmas we can all take the opportunity to let them know that they are not forgotten. A list of names and types of card (religious or non-religious) to send is on the shelf by the paper stall.. Card should be sent as soon as possible.

There is a wide range of **Christmas cards and calendars** on sale in the Piety shop,.

The Birmingham Churches Winter Night Shelter From February 15th to March 28th 2016 in St. Anne's Parish, volunteers from St. Anne's & St. Catherine's working with the Birmingham Churches Winter Night Shelter will provide emergency accommodation, food and support to homeless people.

Parishioners from both parishes have already signed up for the project but please give your name to Fr. Pat or Fr. Jeremy if you would also like to be involved.

The following items are needed.

Single duvets & covers	Soap
Pillows	Small bottles of toiletry
Blankets	Lotions
Single sheets	Toothpaste & toothbrushes
Towels	Bed socks.