OUR LADY OF LOURDES AND ST JOHN FISHER PARISH Roman Catholic Diocese of East Anglia Charity No. 278742

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Our Lady of Lourdes (OLOL) Church 135 High Street, Sawston, CB22 3HJ **St John Fisher (SJF) Church** Church Centre, High Street Cambourne, CB23 6GW

Week commencing Sunday, 29th December 2019

SUNDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF CHRISTMAS – Year A, Weekday Cycle II, Psalter Week 1

SERVICE & MASS TIMES

Dates	OLOL Community https://www.ololsawston.org.uk	SJF Community http://cambournerc.com
Saturday, 28.12.2019 HOLY INNOCENTS, FEAST	 9.15 am: Morning Prayer 9.30 am: Holy Mass (Fr John Fennell†) 10.00 am Confession, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Rosary 	16.00 Confessions 17.00 Vigil Mass for The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph (Alfred De Souza†)
Sunday, 29.12.2019 THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH	8.45 am: Holy Mass (Pro populo) 11.15am: Holy Mass (Bishop Brian Nobel+)	17.00: Holy Mass (Annexe) (Thanksgiving from Conçalves family), (Maria's intentions.)
Monday, 30.12.2019 Sixth Day within the Octave of the Nativity	9.15 am: Morning Prayer 9.30 am: Holy Mass (Anna Tuizanska & families†) F	
Tuesday, 31.12.2019 Seventh Day within the Octave of the Nativity	9.15 am Morning Prayer 9.30 am. Holy Mass (Ann Marie Keane's Ints), (Rosamma George† 36 th Anniversary)	12.15 Holy Mass (at Blue School)
Wednesday, 1.1.2020 SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD	9.15 am Morning Prayer 9.30 a.m. Holy Mass	12.15 Holy Mass (at Blue School) (Maria's Ints)
Thursday, 2.1.2020 SS Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen BBDD	9.15 am Morning Prayer 9.30 am: Holy Mass 7.00 pm-7.30pm Quiet Prayer	19.15: Holy Mass followed by Rosary and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (Maria's Ints.)
Friday, 3.1.2020 The Most Holy Name of Jesus	9.15 am Morning Prayer9.30 a.m. Holy Mass (Bishop Daniel Mullens+)	19.15 Holy Mass
Saturday, 4.1.2020 Christmas Feria	 9.15 am: Morning Prayer 9.30 am: Holy Mass (Fr Peter Stevens†) 10.00 am Confession, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Rosary 	16.00 Confession 17.00 Vigil Mass for The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph (De Souza Family)
Sunday, 5.1.2020 THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH	8.45 am: Holy Mass (Pro populo) 11.15am: Holy Mass (Archishop Michael Bowen+)	17.00 Holy Mass (Alfred De Souza†) (F)

* Welcome all visitors and regular Mass participants. Please stay for coffee/tea in the foyer after SJF 5.00 pm Vigil Mass on Saturday; in OLOL Presbytery after 8.45 am Sunday Mass, and in the Church Hall after 11.15 am Sunday Mass.

In Memoriam: All who have gone before us, especially members of our communities whose anniversaries occur around this week: Anthony Ross, Anna Szakajko, Pauline Theresa Morrin, Jack Allan, Reginald Huddleston, Louise Corrigan, Margaret Smith, Ann Bernadette Butler, Bernard Cullen, and Doris Wilkins.

LAST WEEK, THERE WERE 95 PEOPLE AT 5PM MASS (SJF), 111 PEOPLE AT 8.45AM (OLOL), 167 PEOPLE AT 11.15AM MASS (OLOL), AND 42 PEOPLE AT 5PM MASS (SJF). TOTAL 415 PEOPLE ATTENDING MASS IN THE PARISH.

* **COLLECTIONS:** Thank you very much for your generosity.

- OLOL: Offertory: £257, Standing Orders: £752, Stipends: £35, Donations: £135.

- **SJF:** Saturday collection: £144, Sunday collection: £78.80, Standing Orders: £217.

CHRISTMAS:

- Mass attendace: On Christmas Eve, there were 208 people at 4pm Mass (Cambourne), 151 people at 6pm Mass (Sawston), 130 people at 9pm Mass (Sawston). On Christmas Day, there were 32 people at 8am Mass (Cambourne) and 167 people at 10am Mass (Sawston). Total: 688 people.

- Offering: £113.30 (Cambourne, 8am Mass. Figure of 4pm Mass will be published next week), and £1352 (Sawston). Total: £1465.30.

Fr John is grateful to all of you for your wishes, gifts, and donations. May God reward you for your kindness and generosity.

* **DONATIONS:** If you would like to make a donation by cheque, direct debit, or standing order, please see below:

- CAMBOURNE: Cheques payable to SJF CHURCH. Bank transfer details: Barclays Bank UK Plc, Cambridge Branch, Sort code: 20-17-20, Account number 33031454.

- SAWSTON: Cheques payable to OLOL & SJF PARISH. Bank transfer details: Barclays Bank UK Plc, Cambridge Branch, Sort code: 20-17-20, Account number 03187187. Please note that although this is named as a parish account it is in fact the Sawston account.

* LEGACY & WILLS: If you would like to leave a legacy or include the Parish in your will, please contact Fr. John or

a member of the Finance Committees.

* FROM DON SANDRO BARBIERI: He is now

working in Ethiopia, and is known as Abba Sandro according to the local custom. He recently sent the following email.

Dear Father John,

Thank you very much for helping me and Abol's community. I will be happy if you can help us support the Catholic school. In my compound there is a kindergarten with about 170 children. We started last year and we are becoming good.

There are 3 teachers with degree and 2 assistant teachers, 1 cleaner. Their salaries are: 1 teacher 100 € every month for 12 months

1 assistant teacher 70 € every month for 12 months

1 cleaner 50 € every month for 12 months

If your community can contribute paying a salary of one teacher or more, it will be wonderful Or, if you prefer, we offer first aid every day to the children: wounds, burns, infections, insect bites ... so we have to buy a lot of materials like disinfectant, plasters, gauzes, antibiotic creams. Every month is around $200 \in$, also because we send people to the health centre or to the hospital when we can't do anything. And for any thing, in Ethiopia, the people must pay.

If you need more information, don't worry to ask me. God bless you and Sawston and Cambourne communities.

In response to the above email we have received:

SJF: £150 from Advent activities; £50 and £300 donations, and the salary of one teacher for 12 months.
OLOL: £100 donation.

If anyone wishes to support Abba Sandro's community, money can be sent directly to either of the Parish accounts and marked "Ethiopia". In addition we will take a second collection on Epiphany Sunday ('Christmas Day' in Ethiopia).

SJF COMMUNITY NEWS

+ MASS EVERYDAY: There may be Mass every day for SJF Community from 6th January 2020. Suggested times for Mass: Mondays, Tuesdays & Wednesdays at 12.15 noon; Thursdays & Fridays at 7.15pm; Saturdays & Sundays at 5pm. Many thanks to a family who pledged to pay for the rent on Wednesdays for one year.

+ **NEW YEAR MASS:** There will be Mass on New Year Day at the Blue School at 12.15 noon. Everybody welcome.

* First Holy Communion Classes will start on Saturday 11th of January 2020 at 4pm in the Annexe. It is hoped that there will be enough pupils for our class.

+ Confirmation Class will start on Sunday 12th January at 4pm. Confirmation is at 5pm Mass on Saturday 16th May 2020 in the Annexe. Please bring your form, Baptism Certificate, and First Holy Communion Certificate when you join the class.

OLOL COMMUNITY NEWS

+ Quiet Time before Mass: It is recommended that we keep silence for a few minutes before Mass. Silence gives us the opportunity to listen to God's voice in our hearts and helps us to prepare ourselves for the Mass.

+ **PARKING AT OLOL:** It would be helpful if drivers could park responsibly so that anyone who may need to leave before the end of Mass can do so. Your co-operation would be greatly appreciated.

+ **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASS** for years 3 and above begins on Sunday, 12th January, 5.00 pm-6.00 pm. Please email: amyharrison37@yahoo.co.uk for further information. Application forms are on the Parish website. Any forms already issued should be completed and returned as soon as possible, preferably before 12th January 2020.

+ A new initiative aimed at children in the school years 1 and 2 will start soon in OLOL. The classes will be looking at the fundamental truths of the Catholic faith through the lives and teachings of our popular saints and will be held in the Parish Hall on Sundays from 10.15 to 11.00 on the following dates in 2020: 26 Jan, 22 Mar, 19 May, 14 June, and 12 July. If you are interested, please e-mail Agata (agatad_urso@hotmail.com or Nieva (nievacortez@gmail.com)

+ For Your Diary 2020:

* Wednesday 4th March: A talk by Sue Price (Margaret Beaufort Institute of Theology) on the Gospel according to Matthew, followed by tea and cakes at 3pm in the church hall. It is an opportunity for all of us to understand more about the God Who Speaks.

* Wednesday 13th May: A social evening for the Parish with a talk by Anna Abram (Principal, MBIT). Please come for a piece of cheese and a glass of wine, and get to know each other as members of the parochial family.

DIOCESAN NEWS

+ Epiphany Candlelight Mass - Sunday 5th January 5pm. For all young people and their families from across the diocese. Followed by hot dogs, a bonfire and fireworks. There will be a collection of presents for children who are refugees (please bring wrapped presents and indicate whether suitable for a boy or girl or either, and approximate age). Held at The White House, 21 Upgate, Poringland, Norwich. Organised by the Diocesan Youth Service.

OTHER NEWS

+The God Who Speaks: In response to the Bishops' initiative to help people connect more with Scripture, OLEM are starting a new group to read and pray with Scripture (lectio divina). Why not come along and enter more deeply into prayer and knowledge of the Gospel? No prior knowledge or expertise is needed! Just come with an open heart. We meet at 18:30 in the parish hall of Our Lady and the English Martyrs. Email: scripture@olem.org.uk to let them know you are thinking of coming, please.' If anyone is interested in attending why not go along and learn and then perhaps we could form a group in Sawston.

+ Radio Maria England is recruiting a part-time editorial assistant to be based in Cambridge. Competitive salary and other benefits offered for both positions.. Please contact Harry Ngatchu, Operations Manager, at radiomariaengland@gmail.com

+ HANDICAPPED CHILDREN'S PILGRIMAGE TRUST appeals for volunteer helpers to support disabled children from Cambridgeshire on HCPT Pilgrimage to Lourdes, 12th-18th April 2020. A week of fun, singing and service. They are also keeping a lookout for potential children. If any families whose children have disabilities or are going through a particularly hard time, who could benefit. Contact: group104@hcpt.org.uk.

+ **52nd International Eucharistic Congress**, from 13th to 20th September 2020, in Budapest, Hungary. Everyone is invited. Information about the programme and registration: www.iec2020.hu/en/registration

+ **Medjugorje Pilgrimage** 28th April - 5th May 2020. £645 half board including flights. For full information please contact Nessa Tjinakiet. Email tjinakiet@ hotmail.com or 01223 860871.

+ CAMBRIDGE JUSTICE & PEACE GROUP:

Maggie and the socials team would very much like some help with organising the monthly socials for the refugee families. These are hugely valuable opportunities for the families to see each other and for our volunteers to meet the families. Please contact her via www.cambridgerefugees.org.

+ CAFOD Volunteer wanted in Cambridge on Monday or Thursday mornings: Office volunteers are key members of the CAFOD team, carrying out administrative tasks and helping CAFOD to build strong partnerships with the local Catholic community. For more information contact: Jane Crone, CAFOD Volunteer Centre, Margaret Beaufort Institute of Theology, 14 Grange Rd Cambridge. CB3 9DU, C.358552 or 07779 804252.

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR DECEMBER 2019 Universal:

That every country determine to take the necessary measures to make the future of the very young, especially those who suffer, a priority.

Entrance Antiphon: *[If no hymn is sung]* Cf. Is 45:8 The shepherds went in haste, and found Mary and Joseph and the Infant lying in a manager.

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ. with the Holy Spirit. in the glory of God the Father. Amen

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: Ecclesiasticus (3:3-7, 14-17)

He who fears the Lord respects his parents.

Responsorial Psalm: (Ps 127:1-5, R. Cf. v.1)

O blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways!

Second Reading: St Paul to the Colossians (3:12-21)

Family life in the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation: (Col 3:15,16)

Alleluia, alleluia! May the peace of Christ reign in your hearts; let the message of Christ find a home with you. Alleluia **Gospel: Matthew** (2:13-15, 19-23) *Take the child and his mother and escape into Egypt.*

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and our salvation he came down from heaven, **(please bow)** and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Communion Antiphon (Ba 3:38) [If no hymn is sung]

Our God has appeared on the earth, and lived among us.