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Witness

~ Behold the Lamb of God ~



“He whom the Father has sent is the Lamb who takes away the sins of the world, not by strength, but by sacrifice.”— St. Augustine

“The Lamb of God reveals that God conquers not by power, but by love that gives itself.”— Pope Benedict XVI

“Christ is the true Paschal Lamb, whose blood redeems the people and opens the way to freedom.”— St. Thomas Aquinas

*“The Cross is not defeat; it is the witness of a love that goes to the end.”
— Pope Francis*

*“Faith is not something we keep to ourselves; it is a light meant to be shown.”
— Madeleine Delbrel*

*“What convinces is not argument, but life.”
— Jean Vanier*



**Our Lady of Lourdes, Hednesford Parish & Diocesan Shrine
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A more detailed parish directory and guide to activities is here: bit.ly/M-Directory



Sunday 18th January 2026 – Second Sunday

Calendar of Masses (H = Hednesford C = Cannock) **Full calendar (now up to date!):** bit.ly/M-Masscalendar

Sat	17 Jan	12 noon	H	RIP Gino Memoli	Second Sunday Blue Bag = Pax Christi
Sat	17 Jan	6 pm	C	RIP Kevin Corfield	
Sun	18 Jan	9.30 am	H	Fr Benedict Groeschel	
Sun	18 Jan	11 am	C	RIP Peter Garnett	
Mon	19 Jan	*9.30 am	H	RIP Agnes & Patrick Brown	Week 2
Wed	21 Jan	9.30 am	C	Int Nuala & family	Week 2
Wed	21 Jan	1:30pm	-	St Thomas More School – <i>Mass in School</i>	
Thu	22 Jan	9.30 am	C	Int T Hamilton & family	Week 2
Thu	22 Jan	2.15 pm	H	St Joseph's School – <i>Mass in School</i>	
Fri	23 Jan	9.30 am	C	Thanksgiving Michael & Eileen Clancy	Week 2
Sat	24 Jan	12 noon	H	RIP John Claude Huskisson	Third Sunday Blue Bag = Building Fund / Car Park (C)
Sat	24 Jan	6 pm	C	RIP Leah & Bill Bannon	
Sun	25 Jan	9.30 am	H	RIP Christine Gregory	
Sun	25 Jan	11 am	C	RIP Janina & Feliks Rietz	

Devotions before or after mass (when there is a mass):

Rosary 9am (C) before Mass on Wed, Thu, Fri; **Divine Mercy** (C) Thursdays after Mass

Exposition resumes Saturday 17 Jan 11am (H)

***Midweek Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes** in the Presbytery

Confessions during Exposition Saturday 11am (H), 5:15pm (C)

Rosary 9am (C) before Mass on Wed, Thu, Fri; **Divine Mercy Chaplet** (C) Thursdays after Mass

Forget me Not Lunch Club (H) – resumes on Wednesday 21st January 2026. There will be a mass before the Club on 28th Jan, at 11:30am (before the Lunch)

Confirmation programme (for those not in parish schools) has started. First Holy Communion course begins in March. Please send text or email to Fr Peter for more details of the programme - 07766 335591 fr.peter.weatherby@rcaob.org.uk

Journey in Faith: Thursdays 7pm at the Presbytery in Hednesford

Fundraising Committee Meeting Cannock Presbytery Wed 21st at 2:30pm

Gathered Network Meeting - an opportunity for parishes from across the Stafford Deanery to come together via representatives to engage in discussion regarding Youth Ministry in the deanery. The meeting is online and takes place on 3rd February. If you would like to take part, please speak to Fr Peter for details.

Love in Action with Father Hudson's Caritas and CAFOD. Learn more about the faith basis of their work and spend time in reflection on how our faith calls us to act. Saturday 7th February 10:30-13:30, St Annes, Stafford ST17 0EA. Mass in the Church at 10 am. For more details and to register (not essential, but helpful): birmingham@cafod.org.uk

SAFEGUARDING NOTICE The Parishes operate in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and National and Archdiocese's policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Bernadette Corbett sg.olol.hednesford@rcaob.org.uk and Stephanie Hewitt sg.stmary-sttm.cannock@rcaob.org.uk and. Alternatively, contact the Diocesan Safeguarding team on 0121 230 6240 or at safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns.

Please Pray for ...

Peace and Justice: in Gaza and the Middle East, Sudan, Ukraine and all places beset by war

Our Parishes, and the work of evangelisation and teaching the faith, especially through our schools and the Shrine



All who are sick or other kinds of need: Sue Wayman, Teresa Maloney, Diane Wyatt, James Hunt, Valerie Brace; Alan C, Alan White, Allan Weatherby, Allison, Angela Freary, Anna Bayliss, Anne Conway-Jones, Anthony, Baby Amelia, Bernard, Bernard Beeson, Bert Dodd, Bert Mears, Bill, Carol, Catherine Baker, Charley, Christopher Allan, Clare Murphy, David K, Deborah Woollaston, Den Owens, Dominic Mulchrone, Don Hinton, Eileen H, Emilia, Frank Heaton, Frank Taylor, Gerard, Gerry, Gladys Chmieleski, Greg, Hayden Turvey, Helen C, Henry, HR, Iris, Ivan Molyneaux, Jack Kennedy, Jane Morecroft, Jane Seal, Janet Barker, Jasper, Jean Nycz, Jerry, Jo Reading, Joan O'Sullivan, John Dewhurst, John Martin, Josephine Kafwembe, Josie Morris, Julie, June, June W, Kath Poole, Kathleen Mongon, Kathy Dodd, Katie, Keith Davies, Kyriese, Layla, Louise, Maggie Dale, Margaret B, Margaret Phipps, Margaret Reynolds, Marie, Marion, Mark Duffy, Mary D, Mary Klek, Mary Philpott, Mary Turvey, Matt G, Matt Twohig, Maureen, Michael Liddy, Michael M, Mick Flynn, Mick Jobburns, Mike Baldwin, Nicola McCulloch, Oscar Wordsworth, Pat & Wilf Palmer, Pat Lester, Pat Seery, Pat W, Patricia, Patrick, Pauline March, Peer Mohammed, Peggy, Peter Dunton, Peter H, Peter Hawthorne, Peter Maciejewski, Peter Woollaston, Phyllis Michael, Rajinder, Rev Ned Kelly, Richard Sharp, Robert, Russell Mackuin, Sophie King, Sue Atkinson, Sue Green, Sue Titley, Sylvia Hale, Tess Dudley, Tim Wright, Tom Poxon, Tony Bullivant, Val B, Vincent Dockery, Zorah McQuillan

Please let us know of names to add or remove. Each person named on this list must have given their consent. FrP

The Holy Souls

Recently departed: Clare Burrowes Fr Simon Bishop SJ, Anthony Costello, Robert Bullock, Michael Quinn

Anniversaries

- 18/1** Thomas Hulme 1973, Ronald Farr 1983, Stanislaw Klek 2015, Leah Bannon
19/1 Mary Derry 2000, Norah Pilmore, James Gansley
20/1 Mary Pearce 1982, Anne Halligan 1988, Joseph Baker 2009, Monica Hunt 2019, Annie Wright, Beryl Cranney, Daniel Ball, Tom Kilgallon, Mary Elliot
21/1 Winifred Kilgallon 1990, Ronald MacAlinden 1998, Joan Sheppard 2006, John Forbes 2011, Baby Archie Edwards 2013, Ada Kilgallon, Christine Kenny
22/1 Frances Berard 1983, Daniel Morris 2014
23/1 John Martin 1987, Margaret Gaughan

Financial Report

Second Collections:

18 January 2026 Pax Christi. (Printed info at the back of each Church)

Cannock Second Collections are for Car Park when there is no other 2nd Collection.

Our Lady of Lourdes: 28 Dec Standing Orders £149. GA £75, other £220.62, 4 Jan GA £78, other £96.34, Second collection Church Maintenance GA £45.34, other £38.06, 11 Jan GA £12, other £77.41

St Mary & St Thomas More 11 Jan St Orders £439, GA £76 other £50 Car Park £85, Friends of Holy Land £31, Pax Christi £38

Foodbank from Hednesford and Cannock: 57kg. Thanks for your support!

Service of Thanksgiving at the retirement of Rev Joyce Stewardson, of St John's Anglican Church, Heath Hayes, will now be at St John's on Sunday 18 January at 3 pm (rearranged from last week)

Rugeley 2026 Pilgrimage to Walsingham Friday 7th August – Sunday 9th August. Travel, Ensuite Accommodation, Breakfast & Evening meal £320 per person. Deposit £50 per person required with confirmation of booking by end Feb 2026. Contact Rachel Gill 07783942164 for further information and booking form.

Send items for publication as soon as possible to olol.hednesford@rcaob.org.uk

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Reflection on the Sunday Gospel (Sunday 2, Year A)

*“Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.”
(John 1:29)*

These words mark a decisive moment in St John’s Gospel. After a long opening filled with expectation

and preparation, Jesus finally appears. Then, John the Baptist does not hesitate, explain, or elaborate. He bears witness. He points away from himself and towards Christ, naming him in a way that gathers up the whole story of salvation.

John does not call Jesus teacher, prophet, Messiah, or Son of God – titles which will appear later. Instead, he calls him **the Lamb**. With that single word, John reaches back into Israel’s history and, at the same time, pushes us forward towards the Cross.

The Scriptures have prepared us carefully for this moment. In the Old Testament, the lamb is never a casual image. The ram caught in the thicket is sacrificed in place of Isaac, revealing a God who provides and who saves. At Passover, the blood of the lamb is smeared on the doorposts of the Hebrew homes, protecting the people from death and opening the way from slavery to freedom. The lamb becomes a sign of deliverance, mercy, and new beginning.

Through the prophets, especially Ezekiel, God speaks of his people as sheep in need of a shepherd – scattered, vulnerable, and often leaderless – yet precious in his sight. God promises that he himself will come to search for the lost, gather the wounded, and lead them to safety. Already the image of the lamb points towards a God who does not abandon his people.

By the time we reach the Gospels, these images are woven into daily life. Shepherds keep watch over their flocks by night, not by accident, but because the ewes are lambing. And in that same night, Christ himself is born in Bethlehem. As lambs are being born on the hillsides above the town, the Lamb of God is laid in a manger below. From the beginning, birth and sacrifice are held together.

Jesus later draws on these familiar images in his teaching. He speaks

of the shepherd who risks everything to rescue a single lost sheep. He calls himself the Good Shepherd who knows his own and lays down his life for them. These are tender, recognisable images, drawn from ordinary life, which open up the depths of God’s love.

Yet John’s witness goes deeper still. This Lamb is not only gentle and innocent. He is destined for sacrifice. John’s words carry us forward to Holy Week, when Jesus will be condemned, crucified, and killed. In St John’s Gospel, this happens at the very hour when the Passover lambs are being sacrificed in the Temple. It is no coincidence. As St Paul later writes, “Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed.” (1 Corinthians 5:7, ESV)

The Lamb takes away sin not by force, not by accusation, but by offering his life. St Augustine reflected that Christ is both priest and victim – the one who offers the sacrifice and the one who is offered. In the Lamb of God, power is revealed as humility, and victory is revealed as self-giving love.

This is why John’s role matters so much. He is *not the light, but he bears witness to the light*. He does not cling to disciples or seek recognition. He recognises Christ, and he points him out clearly. His witness is simple, truthful, and costly. It will eventually cost him his freedom and his life.

The Church is called to the same kind of witness. Not loud, not self-promoting, but faithful and clear. Pope Benedict XVI reminded us that the Church does not grow by argument or pressure, but by attraction – when people glimpse Christ through lives shaped by faith, mercy, and sacrifice.

The Mass places John’s words at the heart of our worship. Just before Holy Communion, the priest lifts the host and proclaims, “Behold the Lamb of God.” Each time we gather, Christ comes to dwell among us. Each time we celebrate, he is born again upon the altar. Each time we worship, we receive his life into our own.

And then we are sent out. Sent, like John, to bear witness. Not by perfect speech, but by lives shaped by mercy, humility, and love – lives that point, gently but clearly, to the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.



WEEKLY ACTIVITIES IN OUR PARISHES

Check weekly newsletter for current activities

	Mass <i>and other activities before and after mass</i>		Other Activities <i>Times may change, please consult weekly newsletter</i>
Day	Our Lady of Lourdes, Hednesford, WS12 1DB	St Mary & St Thomas More, Cannock WS11 0AA	<i>(H) - Our Lady of Lourdes, Hednesford (C) - St Mary & St Thomas More, Cannock</i>
Saturday <i>fulfils Sunday Obligation</i>	12 noon		<i>Exposition and Confessions from 11am (H)</i>
		6pm	<i>Confessions from 5:15pm (C)</i>
Sunday	9:30am		<i>Children's Liturgy 1st Sunday (H)</i>
		11am	<i>Children's Liturgy term time (C)</i>
Monday	9:30am <i>Winter Months in the Presbytery</i>		<i>2nd Monday 7pm Come Sit with Jesus (H) Last Monday 7:15pm Men's Group (H)</i>
Tuesday			<i>No Masses this day</i>
Wednesday	<i>11:30am Centenary Hall (H) Mass on one Wednesday each month when announced</i>	<i>9am Rosary 9:30am St Mary's School Mass in Church (term time) 1st & 3rd Wednesday 2:30pm Mass at St Thomas More School, Great Wyrley</i>	<i>12 noon Forget-me-nots Luncheon Club (H) 6pm (dates as announced) Confirmation and First Holy Communion Preparation</i>
Thursday	<i>2nd & 4th Thursday 2:15pm Mass at St Josephs School, Hednesford</i>	<i>9am Rosary 9:30am Chaplet of the Divine Mercy after mass</i>	<i>Journey in Faith: October to Easter 7pm - in the Presbytery at Hednesford</i>
Friday		<i>9am Rosary 9:30am First Friday devotions during mass</i>	



St Joseph & St Etheldreda, Rugeley

2026 Pilgrimage to Walsingham

Friday 7th August - Sunday 9th August



"When England goes back to Walsingham, Our Lady will come back to England." Pope Leo XIII

Travel, Ensuite Accommodation, Breakfast & Evening meal

**** TOTAL: £320 PER PERSON ****

**** DEPOSIT £50 PER PERSON REQUIRED WITH CONFIRMATION OF BOOKING BY END FEB 2026 ****

Option also available to travel on the coach if booking own accommodation.

Contact Rachel Gill 07783942164 for further information and booking form.

Giving for the Future

Planned Giving

Planned giving means making regular donations to the parish. You can set this up as you like - it does not need to be weekly - it could be monthly for example. We recommend **Standing Orders**, at intervals of your choice, from your Bank to the Parish. Please ask for a form from Church.

Occasional Giving

As well as planned giving, you may wish to give occasional amounts for special appeals and events, including second collections, to the parish and outside charities. Again, special envelopes can be used, but we recommend the Digital Collection Plate in Church or the links cannock.mydona.com for Cannock or bit.ly/olol-give for Hednesford. You can make donations in Church (by card, contactless or chip and pin) or online, wherever you may be.

Gift Aid

If you are a tax payer you can Gift Aid the tax you have paid, back to the parish. This means that for every £10 you give, the government will add a further £2.50. Only a small amount of paperwork is necessary. You can register for Gift Aid when you make a donation at cannock.mydona.com or bit.ly/olol-give or with a form available from Church.

Cashless collections

It would be a great help to the Parish if most parishioners paid your collection money by Standing Order. The Bank now charges us for paying in cash, while standing orders, especially with Gift Aid, bring extra, and regular, money into the parish.

Please pick up a copy of a form from church and return it complete with your details.

Please register your card for Gift Aid

Go to cannock.mydona.com or bit.ly/olol-give on your Internet connected device, (phone, tablet, laptop etc) and make a donation. Choose to Gift Aid it, and fill in the short form. The card you use will then be registered for gift aid, and all future donations to the parish using this card (online or in Church) will be increased by 25% by the taxman!

RESPONDING TO THE CALL OF CREATION - JANUARY 2026

A NEWSLETTER INSPIRING AND ENABLING CLIMATE ACTION IN THE ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM

REVIEW OF 2025

International Negotiations:

June: U.N. Ocean Conference, Nice, France: 170+ countries supported the Nice Action Plan. Many new pledges made.

August: UN talks on plastic pollution; Geneva: ended without agreement, again. November: Climate COP30, Brazil. No progress on reducing fossil fuels burning. Some progress on finance for poorer countries, but absence of the US had a huge impact.

UK: The National Emergency Briefing, held on November 27, 2025, focused on the climate and nature crisis, presenting urgent evidence and solutions from leading experts.

<https://www.youtube.com/@nebriefing>

Church: October: Laudato Si Raising Hope Conference. Pope Leo opened this Conference. You can watch his talk here: <https://youtu.be/dplfY8MIDVk> and/or read his speech here: <https://shorturl.at/pAwrL>

At the end of his talk, Pope Leo posed this question: "I would like to conclude with a question that concerns each of us. God will ask us if we have cultivated and cared for the world that he created (cf. Gen 2:15), for the benefit of all and for future generations, and if we have taken care of our brothers and sisters (cf. Gen 4:9; Jn 13:34). What will be our answer?"

School Visit from Minister for Nature

Pupils from St John Fisher Catholic Primary School welcomed Mary Creagh MP, Minister for Nature, to discuss the importance of taking care of the environment and tackling climate change.

Mary spoke to Year 5 pupils about her experience at COP30 as well as some of the initiatives she is leading to improve the UK's environment as part of her role as Minister for Nature: <https://shorturl.at/3Qcbn>

2026: A NEW BEGINNING

FOR ME?

In *Laudato Si*, Pope Francis called for each of us to undergo a Conversion, - a change of mind and heart, with regards to caring for God's creation, for nature and the environment, and caring for the poor, the most vulnerable. He repeatedly reminds us that everything is connected.

Conversion is not a one-off event. It can begin with a huge upheaval, or just a silent resolution to do something. It always must be followed up with some actions, usually small, but these must become habitual, and then we continue with a further action and so on. We persevere.

Some suggestions: read *Laudato Si*, and *Laudato Deum*; Learn to reduce, re-use, re-cycle. (reduce means to consume less and avoid waste). Walk or cycle, rather than use the car; use public transport.; many more ideas online.

Switch energy provider to Ecotricity, or similar, green energy company.

WITH OTHERS IN THE PARISH

Register for the Live Simply Award, via CAFOD. Learn to live simply, sustainably and in solidarity.

<https://cafod.org.uk/campaign/livesimply-award>

Register with the Laudato Si Action Platform: <https://laudatosiactionplatform.org/>

Become a Laudato Si Animator: <https://laudatosimovement.org>

And PRAY. We wish you a happy, holy and successful New Year.

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO GET INVOLVED IN CLIMATE ACTION IN THE ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM, PLEASE CONTACT CLIMATEACTION@RCAOB.ORG.UK



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How our faith calls us to respond to ...



our brothers and sisters in



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When

7th February
2026

Time

10:30-1:30
Mass at 10:00am

Where

St Anne's
Lynton Avenue
Weeping Cross,
Stafford
ST17 0EA

Journey of Faith 2025-26

This is a course for adults who want to learn more about the Catholic Faith, and runs weekly (with breaks) from October to Easter. The course is built around a resource called *Sycamore*, which is based on video, discussion, and the guidance of someone experienced in the teaching of the Faith. Those who are not already Catholics may be prepared through the course for reception into the Church at Easter, or subsequently. Other participants are very welcome too!

Watch and download the film for each session at : www.sycamore.fm/videos/
You can click on the links below in the online (pdf) version of this page.

(1) THE SEARCH FOR HAPPINESS [["Film 1" in Series: click here to view](#)]

The impossibility of sitting still. What is happiness? How to press the pause button.

(2) THE EXISTENCE OF GOD [["Film 2" in Series: click here to view](#)]

Why bother thinking about religion? Five reasons not to believe in God. Arguments for the existence of God?

(3) A GOD WHO SPEAKS? [["Film 3" in Series: click here to view](#)]

The hiddenness of God. When God broke the silence. Discovering the face of God.

(4) WHO IS JESUS? [["Film 4" in Series: click here to view](#)]

He came to bring life to the world. The Saving Death of Jesus. The light of the Resurrection.

(5) THE HOLY SPIRIT AND THE CHURCH [["Film 5" in Series: click here to view](#)]

How the Holy Spirit can change your life. No one gets into heaven alone. Why we need signs, symbols and sacraments.

(6) THE BIBLE [["Film 6" in Series: click here to view](#)]

What is the bible? Can we trust the bible? How the bible can change your life.

(7) THE GIFT OF FAITH [["Film 7" in Series: click here to view](#)]

What is faith? Are Christians just stupid or are there good reasons to believe? How to take a step of faith.

(8) THE POWER OF PRAYER [["Film 8" in Series: click here to view](#)]

What is prayer? Does prayer make a difference? How to pray.

(9) FINDING TRUE FREEDOM [["Film 9" in Series: click here to view](#)]

Is there such a thing as right and wrong? Where can we find moral guidance? How do you discover your true identity?

(10) THE MEANING OF LOVE [["Film 10" in Series: click here to view](#)]

What is love? How to love your neighbour. Knowing the love of God.

Journey of Faith Programme of Meetings 25-26

Meetings are at The Presbytery at Hednesford WS12 1DB at 7pm on Thursday evenings, as set out below. There will be a WhatsApp group for participants to update you about activities, and notify of any changes in dates.

#	Date	Location	Session
1	Thu 2 Oct 25	Hednesford	(1) THE SEARCH FOR HAPPINESS
2	Thu 9 Oct 25	Hednesford	<i>... continued</i>
3	Thu 16 Oct 25	Hednesford	(2) THE EXISTENCE OF GOD
4	Thu 23 Oct 25	Hednesford	<i>... continued</i>
5	Thu 30 Oct 25	Hednesford	(4) WHO IS JESUS?
	Thu 6 Nov 25	Break	
6	Thu 13 Nov 25	Hednesford	(4) <i>... continued</i>
7	Thu 20 Nov 25	Hednesford	(5) THE HOLY SPIRIT AND THE CHURCH
8	Thu 27 Nov 25	Hednesford	<i>... continued</i>
	<i>Thu 4 Dec 25</i>	<i>Christmas Break</i>	
10	Thu 15 Jan 26	Hednesford	(6) THE BIBLE
11	Thu 22 Jan 26	Hednesford	<i>... continued</i>
12	Thu 29 Jan 26	Hednesford	(7) THE GIFT OF FAITH
13	Thu 5 Feb 26	Hednesford	<i>... continued</i>
14	Thu 12 Feb 26	Hednesford	(8) THE POWER OF PRAYER
	Thu 19 Feb 26	<i>Half Term</i>	<i>Ash Wednesday</i>
	Sun 22 Feb 26	<i>3pm Cathedral</i>	<i>Rite of Election</i>
15	Thu 26 Feb 26	Hednesford	(9) FINDING TRUE FREEDOM
16	Thu 5 Mar 26	Hednesford	<i>... continued</i>
17	Thu 12 Mar 26	Hednesford	(10) THE MEANING OF LOVE
18	Thu 19 Mar 26	Hednesford	<i>... continued</i>
19	Thu 26 Mar 26	Hednesford	<i>Rehearsal</i>
20	Thu 2 Apr 26	Cannock	<i>Maundy Thursday</i>
22	Sat 5 Apr 25	<i>Hednesford</i>	Easter Vigil!

Our Lady of Lourdes, Hednesford

CAN YOU HELP AS A STEWARD OR READER OF THE WORD?

It's an opportunity to get involved and serve your parish.

Stewards

- Welcome parishioners at Vigil & Sunday Mass
- Prepare the church (hymn numbers, windows, books)
- Guide seating and give out hymn books
- Take the collection
- Arrange the Offertory procession
- Supervise movement during Holy Communion

Readers of the Word

- Proclaim the Old & New Testament readings (not the Gospel)
- Prepare prayerfully and practise before Mass
- Read clearly and audibly with reverence
- Faithfully proclaim the approved liturgical text
- Lead intentions for the Prayer of the Faithful (where required)

Our Lady of Lourdes, Hednesford

St Mary & St Thomas More, Cannock • Readers and Ministers Rota

Rota <i>Date is of Sunday</i>	<i>Saturday 6pm</i>		<i>Sunday 11:00am</i>	
	<i>Readers</i>	<i>Ministers</i>	<i>Readers</i>	<i>Ministers</i>
Nov 23	Alex & Tamsin Davis	Eileen Clancy Doug Bruce	Stephanie Hewitt Gerard Dillon	Sheila Houghton Carol Garnett
Nov 30	Patrick Warren Cath Hunt	Amy Pritchard Tony Gaughan	Mike Burrowes Liz Fraser	Brigid Rhodes Chris Hewitt
Dec 7	Kay Rimmer Lindsay Rotchell	Clare Bridges Cath Hunt	Justine Lomas Miriam Gannon	Colman Whitelaw Gail Korzonek
Dec 14	Wendy Owens	Lisa Gretton Sr Norbert	Colman Whitelaw Doug Bruce	Shirley Weatherby Cath Hunt
Dec 21	Amy Pritchard Margaret Tym	Lindsay Rotchell Grace Bishop	William Pearce, Dave Guy	Doug Bruce David Korzonek
Dec 28	Vikki Wilson Lynn Jones	Wendy Owens	Shirley Weatherby Denisse Perks	Helen Land Sr Norbert
Jan 4	Alex & Tamsin Davis	Eileen Clancy Doug Bruce	Stephanie Hewitt Gerard Dillon	Sheila Houghton Carol Garnett
Jan 11	Patrick Warren Cath Hunt	Amy Pritchard Tony Gaughan	Mike Burrowes Liz Fraser	Brigid Rhodes Chris Hewitt
Jan 18	Kay Rimmer Lindsay Rotchell	Clare Bridges Cath Hunt	Justine Lomas Miriam Gannon	Colman Whitelaw Gail Korzonek
Jan 25	Pat Wilson Wendy Owens	Lisa Gretton Sr Norbert	Colman Whitelaw Doug Bruce	Shirley Weatherby Cath Hunt
Feb 1	Amy Pritchard Margaret Tym	Lindsay Rotchell Grace Bishop	William Pearce, Dave Guy	Doug Bruce David Korzonek
Feb 8	Vikki Wilson Lynn Jones	Pat Wilson Wendy Owens	Shirley Weatherby Denisse Perks	Helen Land Sr Norbert

Saturday 6pm Stewards Rota ...

A	Nov 8	Dec 6	Jan 3	Jan 31	Feb 28	Mar 28	Apr 25	Patrick & Patsy Warren
B	Nov 15	Dec 13	Jan 10	Feb 7	Mar 7	Apr 4	May 2	Gerard Dillon & Kay Rimmer
C	Nov 22	Dec 20	Jan 17	Feb 14	Mar 14	Apr 11	May 9	Eileen Clancy
D	Nov 29	Dec 27	Jan 24	Feb 21	Mar 21	Apr 18	May 16	Ann Spencer & John Gay

If you cannot do a duty on a particular day, please swap

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