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Times of Mass & Services

17th/18th Dec. 2016

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT (A)

Saturday	5.30 pm	Rex Holbrook RIP
Sunday	11.00 am	People of the Parish
Monday	10.00 am	Sarah Dowd RIP
Tuesday	10.00 am	Dr Thomas' Int
Wednesday	10.00 am	Special Intention (HG)
Thursday	6.15 pm	John Tully RIP
Friday	9.00 am	Bernie & Paddy Ryan RIP
CHRISTMAS EVE	8.00 pm	Mary Waller, May & Tommy Hamilton RIP
CHRISTMAS DAY	11.00 am	Lafferty Family Int
CONFESSIONS: Saturday after 5.30pm Mass		

TIMES OF CHRISTMAS MASSES We have Mass on Christmas Eve at 8.00 pm, preceded by Carols from 7.30 pm (no 5.30 pm Mass this Saturday) and at 11.00 am on Christmas Day

THE COLLECTION at the Christmas Masses is traditionally your personal offering for the support of your priest. Please take an envelope.

HOLY HOUR THIS THURSDAY before The Blessed Sacrament from 5.15 pm to Mass at 6.15 pm. This is a wonderful way to '*be awake*' to Our Lord's coming.

SUNDAY JANUARY 1st IS THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY THE MOTHER OF GOD Our Masses are as usual, Saturday 5.30 pm and Sunday 11.00 am.

DECEMBER ISSUE OF CATHOLIC TODAY Please take a copy of the December Issue of 'Catholic Today', our own Diocesan Newspaper. Read about Fatima House, providing shelter for vulnerable asylum seekers in Birmingham; an account of Archbishop Bernard's Ecumenical Pilgrimage to the

Holy Land with Bishop John Inge of Worcester; the Diocesan Financial Newsletter, and much more.

KNOTWEED REMOVED The knotweed in a part of the former allotment behind the church was removed during the week. In tracing it, the contractors excavated at the deepest point to about 2 ½ meters. In all, around 30 square meters of soil was processed. The largest roots were about 1 ½ inches thick, breakable by hand, and showing an orange interior, which greatly helps to identify them. The cost, with a 10 year guarantee, is £12,000, plus VAT, which we will now have to raise.

A FEW CATHOLIC DIARIES still remain on the Piety Stall, as do other small Gifts and Cards.

Please pray for the sick, housebound and those who care for them: Niamh Coyne, Pat Hopkins, Betty Gowers, Mary Normoyle, Clive Stanbrook, David Ryan, Michael Moore, Archie Parsons, Heather Gerard, Chris Browne, Mary Palmer, Emily Parker, Shelly & Margaret Gray, Phil Palmer, Liz Gowers, Mary Lamming, Martin Prickett, Mel Roberts, Bridget Parkin, Julie Kelly, Tommy McAloon.