

# CATHOLIC CHURCHES IN BURNTWOOD & BROWNHILLS

(Both parishes are part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham: Registered as a Charity No 234216)

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## PARISH OF ST. JOSEPH, BURNTWOOD

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## Fourth Sunday of Easter (Year C)

DATE	TIME/PLACE	INTENTIONS	FEASTS
Sat 7 <sup>th</sup> May	5.00pm	<b>Trevor Short and family</b> <i>(led by St Joseph's &amp; St Theresa's school)</i>	<b>Sunday Vigil</b>
	6.30pm (Brownhills)	<b>Derek George Weaver RIP (ann.)</b>	
Sun 8 <sup>th</sup> May	9.00am (Brownhills)	<b>People of the Parish</b> <i>(Tea/Coffee after Mass)</i>	<b>Fourth Sunday of Easter</b> <b>(World Day of Prayer for Vocations)</b>
	11.00am	<b>Joan, Paul, Joyce &amp; Thereza RIP</b> <i>(Tea/Coffee after Mass)</i>	
Mon 9 <sup>th</sup> May	9.30am	<b>John Nugent RIP</b> <i>(Devotion to St Joseph after Mass)</i>	Easter Feria
	2.15pm	Mass in School (St Bernadette's)	
	7.00pm	<b>Rosary in church</b>	
Tue 10 <sup>th</sup> May	9.30am (Brownhills)	<b>Celebrant's intention</b> <i>(Adoration &amp; Divine Mercy after Mass)</i>	Easter Feria
Wed 11 <sup>th</sup> May	6.00pm	<b>Reception of John Nugent</b>	Easter Feria
	7.00pm	<i>Bible Study at St. Joseph's – All welcome</i>	
Thu 12 <sup>th</sup> May	9.30am	<b>Celebrant's intention</b> <i>(with children from St. Joseph's)</i>	Easter Feria
	11.30am	<b>Funeral Mass of John Nugent</b>	
	6.00pm	<b>Holy Hour for Peace in Ukraine</b>	
Fri 13 <sup>th</sup> May	9.30am	<b>John Nugent RIP</b> <i>(Divine Mercy after Mass)</i>	Easter Feria
Sat 14 <sup>th</sup> May	5.00pm	<b>Kiran &amp; Christi Sibi</b> <b>(Blessing &amp; Wellbeing)</b>	<b>Sunday Vigil</b>
	6.30pm (Brownhills)	<b>Peace in Ukraine</b>	
Sun 15 <sup>th</sup> May	9.00am (Brownhills)	<b>People of the Parish</b> <i>(Tea/Coffee after Mass)</i>	<b>Fifth Sunday of Easter</b>
	11.00am	<b>Angelo, Jesmond &amp; Elizabeth RIP</b> <i>(Tea/Coffee after Mass)</i>	

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** The sick and housebound of both parishes. We include all those we know in hospitals, nursing homes and their own homes. May the Lord grant them healing, strength and peace! *If you or your relative(s) who are housebound and would like to have a visit by the clergy or to receive Holy Communion, please let us know.*

**SPONSORING SANCTUARY LIGHTS AT ST.**

**JOSEPH'S:** As you may be aware, there are candles which burn perpetually on the sanctuary (Blessed Sacrament) and at the statues of the Sacred Heart and Our Lady. If you'd like one of these to burn in memory of a loved one, or for a particular intention, we are asking for a donation of **£7 per week**. Please put the donation in an envelope marked 'Sanctuary Light Donation', with your particular intention and hand it in to Fr. Linh or the office. The intentions will be published in the weekly newsletter. Candles are lit from Saturday to Saturday.



*This week we pray for...*

**Sanctuary Light:**

*Dominic Nguyen RIP*

**Sacred Heart's Light:**

*Pat & Billy Greene RIP*

**Our Lady's Light:**

*Peace in Ukraine*

**DEEPEST SYMPATHY**

**St. Joseph's:** Please pray for the repose of the soul of **John Nugent** and **Cynthia St. Lambert** who died recently. We extend our deepest sympathy their families during this difficult time. **John's** funeral details: Reception of the Body – Wed 11<sup>th</sup> May, 6pm; Funeral Mass – Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> May, 11.30am, followed by burial at Chase and District Cemetery. **Cynthia's** funeral details will be informed in due course

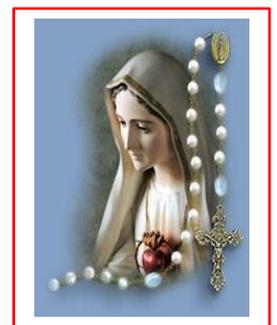
**ANNIVERSARIES WITHIN THE WEEK**

**ST. JOSEPH'S:** Agnes O'Mahoney, Molly McConnell, Anne MacInnes, June Ryan, Elizabeth Bailes, Audrey Galuszka, Winifred Geraghty, Robert Hardy, Olive Holloway, Alfred Flloyd, Rev Francis Woodward, Mr H Walters, James Degregorio, Patricia Cantrill, Ivor Sheppard, Edward Wakin and Ann Bayliss

**ST. BERNADETTE'S:** Bishop Joseph Gray, Margaret Mealey, Norman Phillips, Frank Harris, Martin Collins Jnr, Frank Borg, Teresa Mercer and Bogustaw Zalewa

**MAY – THE MONTH OF MARY**

The month of May is the “month which the piety of the faithful has especially dedicated to Our Blessed Lady,” and it is the occasion for a “moving tribute of faith and love which Catholics in every part of the world pray to the Queen of Heaven. During this month Christians, both in church and in the privacy of the home, offer up to Mary from their hearts an especially fervent and loving homage of prayer and veneration. In this month, too, the benefits of God's mercy come down to us from her throne in greater abundance” (*Paul VI: Encyclical on the Month of May, no. 1*)



The most popular devotion to our Mother is **to pray the Rosary**. Please make our effort to say the Rosary together at home or at church to pray for vocations, for peace in the world, for our parish communities and for our families. *“The Rosary is a powerful weapon to put the demons to flight and to keep oneself from sin...If you desire peace in your hearts, in your homes, and in your country, assemble each evening to recite the Rosary.” (Pope Pius XI) “When you say your Rosary, the angels rejoice, the Blessed Trinity delights in it, my Son finds joy in it too, and I myself am happier than you can possibly guess. After the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, there is nothing in the Church that I love as much as the Rosary.”(Our Lady to Blessed Alan de la Roche)*

**Rosary at church:** Monday evenings 7pm (St. Joseph's), Thursdays after 12 noon Mass (St. Bernadette's)

## ST. JOSEPH'S

**EASTER FLOWERS:** If you'd like to donate for flowers in Church for a weekend during Easter Season in loving memory of your loved ones, please give the envelope to Fr. Linh. Thank you.

**ROSARY GROUP:** to pray for Peace and people in Ukraine, every Monday evening 7pm at St. Joseph's. All welcome.

**PARISH MONTHLY DRAW:** Only £5/month to win £150 (1<sup>st</sup> Prize) every month. The only way to win the prize is to be in the draw. The best way to get your tickets is to set up a standing order so that you won't miss our monthly draw. Please ask Fr. Linh or the office for the form.

**MONTHLY LUNCH:** on **Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> May.** To book your place, please contact Sue on 01543 671701, or to sign up on the table at the back of the church. **Next dates:** 28<sup>th</sup> June, 26<sup>th</sup> July, 23<sup>rd</sup> August and 27<sup>th</sup> September

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** We need more volunteers to clean the church, to arrange flowers, to count collection money, to welcome people before Masses, to help with tea/coffee after Sunday Mass, and so on. If you can help in any way, please speak to Fr. Linh. Thank you

**JACQUELINE'S JAUNTS** Coach trip to Southport on Saturday 23 July Cost £25.00. If interested please contact Jackie on 684582

**CAFOD ARE HOLDING A PLANT STALL** after each Mass this weekend (7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> May) and would greatly welcome any contributions. No plant turned away! Please leave on the table set up in the hall before Mass. To raise fund for CAFOD, scratch cards are available from 14<sup>th</sup> May. Thank you for your support.

**CAKE SALES:** We raised **£105.13** for the parish from last week. Our next cake sale is Sunday **29<sup>th</sup> May.** Thank you for your support.

## Financial Information

Church	St. Joseph's	St. Bernadette's
<b>1<sup>st</sup> (loose)</b>	<b>£183.64</b>	<b>£92.90</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> (GA)</b>	<b>£53</b>	<b>£73.97</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Col (Parish Maintenance)</b>	£120.64	£45.31
	£45.28(GA)	£(GA)
<b>SO</b>	<b>£507</b>	<b>£145</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>£743.64</b>	<b>£311.87</b>
<b>Attended</b>	<b>184</b> (Sat & Sun)	<b>60</b> (Sat & Sun)

*Thank you very much for your generosity to the Church.  
May God bless you!*

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**EASTER FLOWERS:** If you'd like to donate for flowers in church for a weekend in loving memory of your loved ones or for a special intention, please put donation and intention note in an envelope and hand it to Fr. Linh.

**50/50 CLUB:** It is time to buy your 50/50 club numbers again, or perhaps even consider purchasing an extra one or two numbers for this year? We need to sell a minimum number of tickets for the draw to run, but thereafter all profits go toward church funds. With better odds of winning than matching 4 numbers in the national lottery, it is a great way to support our parish! Anne will be at church after weekend Masses to sell tickets and to answer your further questions.

**MASS INTENTIONS:** Do consider having Masses said for your intentions, and those of your nearest and dearest. Mass Offering Envelopes are at the back of the church. Thank you.

**FOOD BANK:** donation box is at the back of the church. Donations are needed. Please check the list of wanted items on the board. Thank you.

**MISSIO RED BOX:** Please return your filled red box for counting. If you'd like to have one, please speak to Pam Weaver. Thank you

## PARISH YOUTH GROUP

St Joseph's is looking to restart their youth group (for 11-14 year olds) in September on a weekday evening to also include St Bernadette's. We are looking for volunteers to help run the group (parents or young people over 18 wishing to train to be youth leaders). If you wish to be involved then please contact the Parish on [stjoseph.burntwood@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:stjoseph.burntwood@rcaob.org.uk) or [helen\\_ilsley@hotmail.com](mailto:helen_ilsley@hotmail.com). An initial meeting will be held in the hall on **Tuesday 24 May at 7pm** to seek your ideas on the way forward and see the commitment we are able to get from volunteers. Thank you.

## A PRAYER FOR UKRAINE

Loving God,  
We pray for the people of Ukraine,  
for all those suffering or afraid,  
that you will be close to them and protect them.

We pray for world leaders,  
for compassion, strength and wisdom  
to guide their choices.

We pray for the world,  
that in this moment of crisis,  
we may reach out in solidarity  
to our brothers and sisters in need.

May we walk in your ways  
so that peace and justice  
become a reality for the people of Ukraine  
and for all the world.  
Through Christ our Lord. Amen

**MARRIAGE AND BAPTISM:** Please contact Fr. Linh for details. (for marriage: at least 6 months before the wedding day)

**THE DIOCESAN RESPONSE TO THE SYNOD** has been completed and sent to the Catholic Bishops' Conference. The synthesis has highlighted a number of themes including: The role of women within the Catholic Church, inclusion - the Church must be there for all, the importance of schools, families and young people, formation throughout one's lifetime, the need for greater co-responsibility and an involved laity.  
**To read the full synthesis:**  
<https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/news/diocesan-response-to-the-synod-completed>

**LICHFIELD REPAIR AND SHARE CAFÉ:** If your appliances, clothing, household items, toys, clocks, garden equipment, or furniture need some TLC bring them along to the monthly Repair Cafe held at **St Joseph's RC Church, Burntwood, WS7 0BB (10-1pm 1st Sat of each month)** and the volunteer repairers will do their best to give them a new lease of life! And if they can't be repaired then at least you will know. Knife/tool sharpening available too! Refreshments available and skill sharing workshops to join in with too. No charge to attend but donations appreciated to help cover costs. If you have a 'skill' to offer then get in touch with the organisers or go along to a session.

**PARISH GIVING:** The best way to support our parishes financially is by setting up a Standing Order using the following bank details:

**St. Joseph's:** NatWest Bank, Account No: 25205439, Sort Code: 53-70-15

**St. Bernadette's:** NatWest Bank, Account No: 24003360, Sort Code: 52-21-00

If you don't have internet banking and want to sign up for Standing Order, please ask Fr. Linh or the parish office for the form. Standing Order form can also be downloaded from the diocesan website <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/support-our-work>. Thank you for your support to our parishes.

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alle- lú-ia: O- ra pro no-bis De- um, alle-lú- ia.