

CATHOLIC CHURCHES IN BURNTWOOD & BROWNHILLS

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

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Sixth Sunday of Easter (Year C)

DATE	TIME/PLACE	INTENTIONS	FEASTS
Sat 21 st May	5.00pm	Peter Tams RIP	Sunday Vigil
	6.30pm (Brownhills)	Peace in Ukraine	
Sun 22 nd May	9.00am (Brownhills)	Danny Delaney RIP <i>(Tea/Coffee after Mass)</i>	Sixth Sunday of Easter
	11.00am	Charles Ward RIP <i>(Tea/Coffee after Mass)</i>	
Mon 23 rd May	9.30am	Pat & Ron Tudor RIP <i>(Devotion to St Joseph after Mass)</i>	Easter Feria
	2.15pm	Mass in School (St Bernadette's)	
	7.00pm	Rosary in church	
Tue 24 th May	9.15am	Mass in school (St. Joseph's)	Easter Feria
	12 noon	Cardinal Joseph Zen and the Church in China <i>(Monthly Lunch after Mass)</i>	
	7.00pm	Youth Volunteers Meeting	
Wed 25 th May	7.00pm	<i>The Gift – A Life in the Spirit. All welcome</i>	
Thu 26 th May	9.00am (Brownhills)	Celebrant's intention	Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord <i>(Holyday of Obligation)</i>
	10.30am	Funeral Mass of Cynthia St. Lambert	
	7.00pm	John Nugent RIP	
Fri 27 th May	9.30am	Fred Tams RIP <i>(Divine Mercy after Mass)</i>	Feast of St Augustine of Canterbury
	2.30pm	Funeral Service of Diane Low at the Crem	
Sat 28 th May	5.00pm	Christine Rogers RIP	Sunday Vigil
	6.30pm (Brownhills)	Peace in Ukraine	
Sun 29 th May	9.00am (Brownhills)	People of the Parish <i>(Tea/Coffee after Mass)</i>	Seventh Sunday of Easter
	11.00am	Adrian Ciuraru RIP <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:
Ron & Pat Tudor RIP
Sacred Heart's Light:
Peace in Ukraine
Our Lady's Light:
Dominic Nguyen RIP

DEEPEST SYMPATHY

St. Joseph's: Please pray for the repose of the souls of **Cynthia St. Lambert** and **Diane Low** who died recently. We extend our deepest sympathy their families during this difficult time. **Cynthia's** funeral Mass is on 26th May, 10.30am. **Diane's** funeral service is on 27th May, 2.30pm at Cannock Chase Crem.

ANNIVERSARIES WITHIN THE WEEK

ST. JOSEPH'S: John Styche, Roy Clifton, Peter Tams, Josephine Smith, Rose Ralley, Jean Walker, Patrick Burke, James O'Connor, Gertrude O'Brien, Maximillian Siniac, Graham Allcot, Augustin Grahame, William Paget, George Littler, Anastasia Cullotty, Anita Pope, Frederick Tams, Irene Littler and Margaret Michaels

ST. BERNADETTE'S: Mgr John Humphrey, Don Taylor, Joseph Cockayne, Maura Hinks, Glenys Braid, Eddie McCarthy, Ernest Giles, Gertrude O'Brien, Pat Poole, Paul Rogers, Frances Town, Patrick Mealey, Vera Key and Winifred Murray.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK – CATHOLIC COMMUNICATIONS

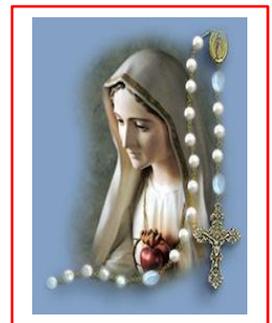
To promote the Church's and the Bishops' message in the local, regional, national and international mass media, and to support the work of the Bishops' Conference Media Office (CCN) to help journalists with their queries and to a better understanding of the Church's activities and witness.

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

CONGRATULATIONS: to 11 children from our primary school who received their First Holy Communion this Saturday (21st May). May the Lord bless them and their families. Please keep them in our prayers so that they may continue to grow in faith and in love of God.

EASTER FLOWERS: If you'd like to donate for flowers in Church for a weekend 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 (1st 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 28th June**. 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:** 26th July, 23rd August and 27th September.

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

CAFOD: The plant sale raised **£175**. The sponsored walk **£245**. Many thanks for your support. We have been given vouchers for a three course meal with drinks for two at Weston Hall, Stafford, worth up to £90. We'll be holding a raffle for the next two weekends after mass. Tickets £1 each or £5 a strip. Drawn on Sunday 29th.

Financial Information

Church	St. Joseph's	St. Bernadette's
1st (loose)	£153.46	£77.08
1st (GA)	£289	£40
2nd Col (Diocese Ukraine Appeal)	£177.64	£95.15
	£56(GA)	7.10(GA)
SO	£507	£145
Total	£949.46	£262.08
Attended	172 (Sat & Sun)	54 (Sat & Sun)

ST. BERNADETTE'S

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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 or 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)

JOURNEY IN FAITH (Weds 7pm):
THE GIFT, A LIFE IN THE SPIRIT. This is an inspiring and practical series aimed at people of all ages to help them encounter the Holy Spirit and empower them to share their faith. Our faith needs to be nurtured and supported. Wednesday evenings are for this purpose. I do encourage people to come along for refreshing and sharing our faith with others and for friendship.

THE SHROUD OF TURIN
EXHIBITION: A unique opportunity to see a life size replica of the Shroud of Turin at St. Mary & St. Chad Church, Brewood, Stafford ST19 9BT. FREE ADMISSION, 1pm – 5pm daily until 27th May.

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. **NO REPAIR CAFÉ IN JUNE (holiday)**

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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ru- ísti portá-re, alle-lú-ia: Re-surré-xit, sic-ut di-xit,

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