

CATHOLIC CHURCHES IN BURNTWOOD & BROWNHILLS

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

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Solemnity of our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

DATE	TIME/PLACE	INTENTIONS	FEASTS
Sat 25 th November	5.00pm	Deceased of the Gallagher & Buckley Families	Sunday Vigil
	6.30pm(Brownhills)	Margaret Guinan RIP	
Sun 26 th November	9.00am (Brownhills)	Baby Evie Louise Scott RIP <i>(T/C after mass)</i>	SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE <i>(World Youth Sunday)</i>
	11.00am	Joan Taylor & George Williamson RIP <i>(anniv.)</i>	
	1.00pm	Blessing of Graves <i>(St John's Cemetery, Hammerwich)</i>	
Mon 27 th November	9.30am	Brian Evans RIP	Feria <i>(Devotion to St. Joseph after Mass)</i>
	7.00pm	Rosary	
Tue 28 th November	9.30am(Brownhills)	Anne-Marie Cooper RIP	Feria
	6.30pm	Youth Group	
Wed 29 th November	7.00pm	JOURNEY IN FAITH - All welcome	
Thurs 30 th November	9.15am	NO MASS	
	12 noon (Brownhills)		
	6.00pm		
Fri 1 st December	9.30am	Deceased of the Sympkins and Geraghty Families	Feast of St Edmund Campion <i>(Divine Mercy after Mass)</i>
Sat 2 nd December	10.00am	First Holy Communion Class	Sunday Vigil
	5.00pm	Trevor Short RIP <i>(Blessing of Trevor's Plaque)</i>	
	6.30pm(Brownhills)	Eddie & Nancy McCarthy RIP	
Sun 3 rd December	9.00am (Brownhills)	John & Jessie Reddington RIP <i>(T/C after mass)</i>	FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
	11.00am	Patricia Harper RIP <i>(T/C 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:

If you'd like a candle to be burnt for a week in memory of a loved one, or for a particular intention, we are asking for a donation of **£7/candle**. Please put the donation in an envelope marked 'Sanctuary Light', 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:

Deacon Joe Paterson RIP

Sacred Heart's Light:

Pat & Billy Greene RIP

Our Lady's Light:

Sarah Wilson-Gavin RIP

ANNIVERSARIES WITHIN THE WEEK

ST. JOSEPH'S: Annie Snape, Mary Dykes, Gladys Wilkins, William Hurmson, Jean Griffiths, Alice Lefaucheur, George Edwards, Richard Gartside, George Williamson, Carol Kavanagh, Kathleen Taylor, Roy Ward, Leslie Twyman, Veronica Greatrex, Michael Doherty, Margaret Hurmson, Margaret Maginness, Keith Pooley, James Costello and Edwin Adcock

ST. BERNADETTE'S: Jack Mullen, David Roe, Matthew Kelly, Pat Daniels, John Reddington, Jessie Reddington, Annie Ryan, Teresa Butler and Joan Caulton

POPE'S INTENTION - NOVEMBER

We pray for the Holy Father; as he fulfils his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit.

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEK

CATHOLIC YOUTH SERVICE

This is to support the **Kenelm Youth Trust**, our diocesan organization whose ministry is to enable young people across the Archdiocese the encounter, know and love God. They work alongside schools and parishes in this mission.

SICK IN THE PARISH

Please keep those who are sick and housebound in our prayers, especially:

St. Joseph's: Lisa Nock, Cath Twyman, Eddie McCann, Sheila O'Connor, Monica Roberts, Thelma Waters, Maureen Dewsbury, Nonie Gamble.

St. Bernadette's: Agnes Cronin, Irene Dunwell, Veronica Bubb, Joan Collins, Peter Ford, Cathy Carver, Shirley Smith.

Please remember also in your prayers those who carry the burden of their illnesses privately and those who care for them.

HOLY COMMUNION FROM THE CHALICE (ST. JOSEPH'S)

From next weekend (2/3 December), Holy Communion will be given under **both kinds**. Recipients can receive the Precious Blood from the chalice if they want to.

How to receive from the chalice?

After receiving the Host in a usual manner (by hand or tongue), recipients go to the minister with the chalice, respond 'Amen' and take the chalice from the minister, **have a sip** from the chalice, and return it to the minister.

Please note: Recipients should receive the precious Blood **directly** from the chalice. **Intinction is NOT allowed.**

If you don't receive from the chalice, please return to your seats reverently as usual after receiving the Host.

CHRISTMAS STARS OF REMEMBRANCE AND HOPE

We will once again be decorating our trees with stars in remembrance and hope and invite you to purchase stars for loved ones. **1 star for £3 or 2 for £5.** Forms will be available from next weekend. Thank you

ST. JOSEPH'S

PARISH MONTHLY DRAW: Only £5/month to win £150 (1st Prize) every month. 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.

YOUTH GROUP: Next session on **Tuesday 28th November** at 6.30pm, all are welcome from Years 6, 7 & 8. Open from 6.15pm. Cost £1. Every 2nd and 4th Tues of the month. Volunteers to help would be welcomed.

ST. JOSEPH'S SOCIAL OUTREACH: We urgently need *nappies sized 5 to 6 and family toiletries*. This is to support **SPARKS** - the local family centre. Please put your donations in the box provided in the hall.

JACQUELINE'S JAUNTS would those going to **TRENTHAM GARDENS** on Saturday 9 December pay the amount of £20.00 as soon as possible. There are a few seats still available. Please contact Jackie on 684582 or 07739422387.

FOOD BANK CHRISTMAS APPEAL: We are looking for: **nice toiletries (men's and women's), hats/scarves/socks (to keep warm), selection boxes for children, and toys.** Please place these items (wrapped or unwrapped) in the usual Food Bank Box

MINI CHRISTMAS FAYRE on **Saturday 2 December from 11.00am to 3.00pm** at Jackie Perry's home **6 Lebanon Grove**. Tombola, raffle, items for sale and refreshments, all in aid of St Joseph's church and Midlands Air Ambulance.

DONATIONS FOR SPARK Please note: NO soft toys, unless brand new with the label still on.

PARISH CHRISTMAS RAFFLE: tickets are available at the back of the church. **Draw Day: Sunday 10th December after Mass.** Donations for prizes are always welcome. Please place your donations on the table in the Hall Thank you.

PARISH CHRISTMAS LUNCH: Tue 5th Dec, 12.30pm, £13pp. NO Raffle on the day! This weekend (25/26 Nov) is last chance to buy tickets.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY CHRISTMAS PARTY

Saturday 16th December, 10am – 12pm

Please put your names on the list at the back of the church if you're coming.

Financial Information

Church	St. Joseph's	St. Bernadette's
1st (loose)	£95.00	£90.10
1st (GA)	£108.50	£92.00
2nd Col (Parish Maintenance)	£89.64	£75.25
	£132.49(GA)	£28.00(GA)
SO	£549	£175
Total	£752.50	£357.10
Attended	184 (Sat & Sun)	85 (Sat & Sun)

ST. BERNADETTE'S

CHURCH FLOWERS If you'd like to donate for flowers in church in loving memory of you loved ones, please put donation and intention note in an envelope and hand it to Fr. Linh.

50/50 CLUB: 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.

THE PRESBYTERY: It is possible that there will be three religious sisters ("Daughters of Divine Love" Order) residing at the Presbytery. There are some discussions and arrangements to be made. Please keep the process in our prayers.

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.

CHRISTMAS PIETY SHOP: Christmas cards and gifts are on sales at the back of the church. Thank you for your support to the parish.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE TICKETS: on sales after Masses. Donations for prizes are always needed. Thank you.

YOUTH GROUP NEEDS YOUR HELP

Our Youth Group is taking place twice a month (2nd and 4th Tuesdays) 6.30pm – 8pm at St. Joseph's. The group has now been nicely established. The number of young people coming every time is stable. **We urgently NEED more adult volunteers to help.** If you can, please let Fr. Linh know or contact Elaine: helen_ilsley@hotmail.com

PRAYER FOR CHILDREN PREPARING FOR THE SACRAMENTS & THEIR FAMILIES

Loving God, pour out your blessing upon our beloved children, that during this time of sacramental preparation they may grow closer to you, and come to know your special love for them.

Bless their parents and families who have been entrusted with the development and nurturing of their child's growth and spiritual formation. Bless them in their willingness, to prepare their children for these sacraments, so that they, together with their children, may grow more deeply in faith and love.

May this time of preparation be a time of blessing for our families and our community, and unite us all in your great love. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Safeguarding Notice

Both our parishes operate in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese policies & procedures at all times. **St. Joseph's** Safeguarding Representative is **Mrs. Pat Davies** who can be contacted at: sg.stjoseph.burntwood@rcaob.org.uk **St. Bernadette's** Safeguarding Representative is **Mrs. Sally Holmes** who can be contacted at: sg.stbernadette.brownhills@rcaob.org.uk or the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted at safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk or on **0121 230 6240** if you have any concerns.

CONFESSION: available during Holy Hour on Thursdays 6pm (St. Joseph's) or by appointment.

BAPTISM: Forms are available on the table at the back of the church, please take home to complete and return it to Fr. Linh, more arrangements to follow.

MARRIAGE: Please contact Fr. Linh for information and details at least 6 months before the intended wedding day.

LICHFIELD REPAIR AND SHARE CAFÉ: at St Joseph's (10-1pm, 1st Sat of each month) 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. Thank you for your support to our parishes.

DO YOU KNOW

What is required to receive Holy Communion?
To receive Holy Communion, one must be **fully incorporated** into the Catholic Church and be in the **state of grace**, that is, not conscious of being in mortal sin.

How to receive the Host?

If you are receiving the Host in your hand, **extend both hands palms up** toward the Priest/Eucharistic Minister, **placing one hand directly on top of the other hand**. If you are right handed, the right hand goes on the bottom so you can receive the Host in your left hand and then pick it up with your right hand.

How to receive from the chalice?

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THE ANGELUS PRAYER

∞ The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary,
℟ And she conceived of the Holy Spirit. Hail Mary...
∞ Behold the handmaid of the Lord.
℟ Be it done unto me according to thy word. Hail..
∞ And the Word was made flesh.
℟ And dwelt among us. Hail Mary...
∞ Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God.
℟ That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray: Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts; that we, to whom the Incarnation of Christ Thy Son, was made known by the message of an angel, may by His Passion and Cross, be brought to the glory of His Resurrection. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen. May the Divine Assistance remain always with us. And may the souls of all the faithful departed, through the Mercy of God, rest in Peace. Amen.