

CATHOLIC CHURCHES IN BURNTWOOD & BROWNHILLS

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

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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

DATE	TIME/PLACE	INTENTIONS	FEASTS
Sat 4 th February	5.00pm	Jan Gillett RIP	Sunday Vigil
	6.30pm (Brownhills)	Lina Skrodelis RIP	
Sun 5 th January	9.00am (Brownhills)	People of the Parish (T/C after Mass)	5 th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
	11.00am	Mary Croakes RIP (T/C after Mass)	
	12.30pm	Baptism	
	3.00pm	Confirmation Class	
Mon 6 th February	9.30am	Dorothy Woszczylo RIP (Devotion to St. Joseph after Mass)	Mem of St Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs
	3.30pm (Brownhills)	Parents Meeting (FHC)	
	4.00pm	Reception of Michael Geraghty	
	6.00pm	Parents Meeting (FHC)	
	7.00pm	Rosary	
Tue 7 th February	9.00am (Brownhills)	All Priests (Mass in school)	Feria
	11.00am	Funeral Mass of Michael Geraghty	
Wed 8 th February	7.00pm	JOURNEY IN FAITH	
Thu 9 th February	9.15am	Michael Geraghty RIP (school Mass)	Feria
	12 noon (Brownhills)	Conversion of all lapsed Catholics (Rosary after Mass)	
	6.00pm	HOLY HOUR	
Fri 10 th February	9.30am	G. Hobkins RIP (Divine Mercy after Mass)	Mem of St Scholastica, Virgin
Sat 11 th February	5.00pm	Michael Geraghty RIP	Sunday Vigil
	6.30pm (Brownhills)	People of the Parish	
Sun 12 th February	9.00am (Brownhills)	People of the Parish (T/C after Mass)	6 th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
	11.00am	Terry Gimsley RIP (T/C after Mass)	
	3.00pm	Confirmation Class	
	4.30pm	Reception of Christine Tonks	

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:

Available

Our Lady's Light:

Murtagh Baxter RIP

ANNIVERSARIES WITHIN THE WEEK

ST. JOSEPH'S: Christopher Clarke, Michael Jeffers, Margaret Jones, Alice Young, Michael Coughlan, Cecilia Neenan, Annie Smith, Vivien Richards, Dennis Walters, Edward Cannon, John White, Patricia Baugh, Sylvester Saxon, Isabella Martin, Ada Wright, Annie Newbrook, Arnold Kutt, Kathleen Newbrook, Alfred Wilks, Frances Hughes

ST. BERNADETTE'S: Evelyn Barnett, Marie Palmer, Brendan Scanlan, Anthony Rock, Veronica Belleini, Brian Lamb, Rose Harris, Hilda Whitehouse and Martin Jacques-Milner

DEEPEST SYMPATHY

St. Bernadette's: Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Jean Smith** who died recently. **Jean's** funeral on Friday 17th Feb, 11.15am at Streetly Crematorium.

St. Joseph's: Please pray for the repose of the souls of **Christine Tonks, Michael Geraghty and Harold Gould** who died recently. **Michael's** reception Mon 6th Feb, 4pm; his funeral Mass Tues 7th Feb, 11am. **Christine's** reception Sun 12th Feb, 4.30pm, her funeral Mass Mon 13th Feb 11am. **Harold's** funeral Tues 14th Feb, 11.30am at Cannock Chase Crematorium.

Images of Jesus

Art Competition for Children

Create an image of Jesus using pencil, paint, crayon, collage...the choice is yours! Put your name and contact number on the back and place entry in the box at the back of church by **February 12th**.

Winners will have their work displayed in the church hall and the overall winner will receive an art hamper and their work will have a golden border!

PARISH ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

Please have a look on the notice board for details. Thank you for your ongoing support to the parish. Please consider setting up a standing order instead of having weekly envelopes. If you are a UK tax-payer, please consider to Gift Aid your regular donation to the church. It costs you nothing but the church get extra 25% of the amount you donate. Thank you.

Bible Alive FREE copy

The Word of God is active alive (Heb 4:12). From the Bible we draw life, strength and power to live the Christian life. The Bible Alive are the reflections based on the daily readings at Mass. It's published monthly and posted to your door. Details to order in the magazine given.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land 2023

(27th November – 4th December (8 days/ 7 nights), £1,459pp)

This is a joined pilgrimage with the Parish of the Immaculate Conception in Bicester. Booking Forms are available at the back of the Church. For more info:

www.allsaintstravel.co.uk/HLO801

ST. JOSEPH'S

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

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.

YOUTH GROUP: Tuesday 14th February at 6.30pm. All are welcome from Years 6 & 7. Doors open from 6.15pm. Cost £1. Every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month. Volunteers to help would be welcomed.

ST. JOSEPH'S SOCIAL OUTREACH: We urgently need *nappies sized 3 to 6, baby wipes and ladies hygiene products*. This is to support **SPARKS** - the local family centre. Please put your donations in the box provided in the hall.

WARMER WELCOME IN BURNTWOOD: Church Hall will be opened every **Saturday 1.30pm - 3.30pm**. We do need volunteers to help. If you can, please speak to Carol W, Anne S or Mary K or fill in the calendar at the back of the church. Thank you.

HELP AT LOCAL FOOD BANK CENTRE: The centre desperately needs volunteers to hand out food parcels. If you are willing to give 3 hours no more than once a week, please contact **Peter Taylor** – 01543 686943 or **Linda Hood** - 07786 987114

JACQUELIN'S JAUNTS: A trip to Haworth (Bronty Sisters) is planned on Saturday 25th March. £28 is now due. If you have booked, please can you pay as soon as possible. Please contact Jackie on 684582 if you are interested.

VOLUNTEERS: We do need more volunteers to help in our parish. If you are able to help in any way, please let us know: to read at a weekend Mass, to clean the church, to arrange flowers, to count weekend collection, to welcome and hand out Hymn Books...

REMEMBERING LOVED ONES IN OUR CHURCH: to have a memorial plaque with the name(s) of our loved one(s) bonded to the interior church wall, please contact Dave King 07831 858443 or glynn.king1@ntlworld.com. Forms are also at the back of the church.

Financial Information

Church	St. Joseph's	St. Bernadette's
1 st (loose)	£173.25	£94.43
1 st (GA)	£31.20	£73.00
2 nd Col (Parish Maintenance)	£163.83	£77.03
	£87.50(GA)	£0(GA)
S0	£549	£175
Total	£753.45	£343.43
Attended	192 (Sat & Sun)	74 (Sat & Sun)

ST. BERNADETTE'S

CHURCH FLOWERS: If you'd like to donate for flowers in church for a weekend, please put donation and intention note in an envelope and hand it to Anne-Marie. Thank you

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. **We need 20 more tickets to break even. Please support if you can.**

'OPEN THE BOOK': Open the Book (OtB) offers primary school children an opportunity to hear key Bible stories told by a team of Christians from local churches. If you are interested in and want to help, please speak to Vincent Service who is a member of the OtB.

CHILDREN LITURGY: at 9am Mass every Sunday. Please encourage your children to go to Mass on Sundays and join in this session. Thank you

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CONFIRMATION PREPARATION: for children (year 5, 6, & 7) from non – catholic schools will begin on **Sunday 29th Jan, 3pm** at St. Joseph's. Confirmation Day is **Sat 8th July 10am** by our Archbishop Bernard Longley.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

(by Pope St. John Paul II)

Lord Jesus, as once you called the first disciples and made them fishers of men, continue to let resound today Your sweet invitation: "Come and follow me."

Grant to men and women in our day the grace and trust to respond to Your voice.

Sustain our bishops, priests and consecrated souls in their apostolic work.

Give perseverance to our seminarians and to all those living a life of total consecration to Your service.

Enkindle in our communities a missionary zeal.

Send, Lord, workers into Your fields to feed and guide Your flock as Good Shepherds in imitation of You.

Mary, Mother of the Church, Model of Vocations, help us to say "Yes" to the Lord who calls each one of us to play our part in His plan of salvation. Amen.

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.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER:

Marriage Encounter is a national catholic organisation that offers two experiences to enrich relationships, improve family relationships and bring God to the heart of your marriage and families. Our experiences are available in two formats as a live experience held at hotels or online. Upcoming dates for marriage enrichment: 3 - 5 March - Swindon, 13 -14 May – Online. For more details and booking wwme.org.uk

PARISH RECORDS: Please return the completed form to the presbytery or parish office or place it in the box at the back the church. Your details will be kept secure within the parish and will not be passed on to any third party. Thank you.

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.

∇. 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 Mary...*

∇. 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.

*The
Angelus
Prayer*