

CATHOLIC CHURCHES IN BURNTWOOD & BROWNHILLS

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

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SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (Year A)

DATE	TIME/PLACE	INTENTIONS	FEASTS
Sat 20 th May	5.00pm	Maura Greene RIP	Sunday Vigil
	6.30pm(Brownhills)	People of the Parish	
Sun 21 st May	9.00am (Brownhills)	People of the Parish (T/C after Mass)	7 th SUNDAY OF EASTER
	11.00am	Peter Tams RIP (T/C after Mass)	
	12.30pm	Baptism of Blue	
	3.00pm	Confirmation Class	
Mon 22 nd May	9.30am	Ron & Pat Tudor RIP	Easter Feria <i>(Devotion to St. Joseph after Mass)</i>
	7.00pm	Rosary	
Tue 23 rd May	9.00am (Brownhills)	Mass in School (St Bernadette's)	Easter Feria
	6.30pm	Youth Group	
	6.00pm	DIOCESAN VISION - Open Meeting at St. Mary the Mount Walsall	
Wed 24 th May	7.00pm	JOURNEY IN FAITH – 'BELONG AND BELIEVE'	
Thurs 25 th May	9.15am	Mass in school (St. Joseph's)	Memorial of St Bede, the Venerable, Priest, Doctor of the Church
	12noon(Brownhills)	Celebrant's Intention	
	6.00pm	Holy Hour	
Fri 26 th May	9.30am	Fred Tams RIP	Mem of St Philip Neri, Priest <i>(Devine Mercy after Mass)</i>
Sat 27 th May	1.00pm	DIOCESAN VISION - Open Meeting at Sacred Heart, Tamworth	Sunday Vigil
	5.00pm	Mick Geraghty RIP (Birthday)	
	6.30pm(Brownhills)	Lina Skrodelis RIP	
Sun 28 th May	9.00am (Brownhills)	The deceased of the Hateley Family <i>(T/C after Mass)</i>	SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST
	11.00am	Zachary Rowe (Confirmation Thanksgiving) <i>(T/C after Mass)</i>	
	3.00pm	NO Confirmation Class	

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:
Pat & Billy Greene RIP

Sacred Heart's Light:
Vincent O'Connor RIP

Our Lady's Light:
*Students taking exams
(GCSE & A Level)*

2ND COLLECTION THIS WEEK – CATHOLIC COMMUNICATIONS

ANNIVERSARIES WITHIN THE WEEK

ST. JOSEPH'S: Sydney Barratt, Honora Ellis, Aine Baptie, John Styche, Roy Clifton, Peter Tams, Josephine Smith, Rose Ralley, Jean Walker, Patrick Burke, James O'Connor, Gertrude O'Brien, Maxymillian Siniak, Graham Allcot, Augustin Grahame, William Paget, George Littler, Anastasia Cullotty, Anita Pope and Frederick Tams.

ST. BERNADETTE'S: Elizah Read, Mgr John Humphreys, Don Taylor, Joseph Cockayne, Maura Hinks, Glenys Braid, Eddie McCarthy, Ernest Giles, Gertrude O'Brien, Pat Poole, Paul Rogers and Frances Town

DEEPEST SYMPATHY

St. Joseph's: Please pray for the repose of the souls of **Brian Dalley, Mary Stone** and **Margaret Allcott** (former parishioner) who died recently. We extend our deepest sympathy to their families during this difficult time. Brian's & Mary's funeral details will be informed in due course.

St. Bernadette's: Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Vera Mullen** who died recently. We extend our deepest sympathy to her family during this difficult time. **Vera's** funeral details: **Reception** – 4pm, Tue 30th May; **Funeral Mass** – 10.15am Wed 31st May.

DIOCESAN VISION

Fewer people and fewer priests mean big changes are needed. But the Mission is the same. So how do we do that? That's the question we are asking, and we need lay people to offer their reflections. Can you join us please? **Tuesday May 23rd from 6.00 pm till 8.00pm** at St. Mary the Mount in Walsall. OR **Saturday May 27th from 1.00 pm till 3.00 pm** at Sacred Heart's in Tamworth People from both parishes are invited to attend.

OUR SCHOOL NEEDS HELP: St Joseph & St Theresa's Primary School are holding a careers morning for their Year 5 & Year 6 children on **Monday 17th July from 9:15am**. If you have an interesting career and would be willing to come and talk to the children about your job, please contact the school office on office@st-joseph-st-theresa.staffs.sch.uk 01543 227220.

BIBLICAL REFLECTIONS FOR SYNODALITY AND JOURNEYING TOGETHER Sunday June 18th 2pm to 4pm Selly Park Convent B29 7LL. David McLoughlin (Theologian and formerly Newman University) and Fleur Dorrell (Bible Society and Bishops Conference of England and Wales) will be leading an afternoon reflection time using the scriptures to reflect on our journeying together in a synodal Church. Refreshments will be provided. **To register please email: actabhm@gmail.com**

ST. MARY'S COLLEGE, OSCOTT: *Chester Rd, Sutton Coldfield B73 5AA.* **Public Holy Hour and Evening Prayer & Benediction, Sunday 5pm – 6pm.** Sundays 21st May, 28th May, 4th June. All welcome.

ST. JOSEPH'S

CONGRATULATIONS: to 14 children from our parish who received their First Holy Communion this Saturday (20/05). May God bless them and their families.

EASTER CHURCH FLOWERS: If you'd like to donate for flowers in church 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: Next session on **Tuesday 23rd May** at 6.30pm. All are welcome from Years 6 & 7. This term we welcome Year 5 as well. 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 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.

RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION FROM THE CHALICE: We will receive from the chalice again on the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi, Sun 11th June).

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.

Financial Information

Church	St. Joseph's	St. Bernadette's
1 st (loose)	£196.25	£67.34
1 st (GA)	£31.00	£53.00
2 nd Col (Parish Maintenance)	£123.71	£61.34
	£100.25(GA)	£(GA)
S0	£549	£175
Total	£776.25	£295.34
Attended	179 (Sat & Sun)	62 (Sat & Sun)

ST. BERNADETTE'S

CHURCH FLOWERS this week are in loving memory of the deceased members of the **Baxter Family**. If you'd like to donate for flowers in church in loving memory of your loved ones, please put donation and intention note in an envelope and hand it to Anne-Marie. Thank you

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.

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DATES FOR SACRAMENTS: **First Holy Communion:** Sat 10th June at 10am.
Confirmation: Sat 8th July 10am by our Archbishop Bernard Longley. Please keep our children and their families in our prayers.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land 2023

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

Booking Forms are available at the back of the Church. **Online Booking** is available at www.allsaintstravel.co.uk/HL0801. There are only few places left.

CATHOLIC LISTENERS is a confidential telephone helpline service set up for those returning Catholics who want to return to the faith and need a safe space to be heard. A Diocese of Westminster initiative, the helpline is staffed by a team of volunteers who are welcoming, friendly, empathetic and non-judgemental. The helpline is also based on the Landings ethos of compassionate listening. **Operating three days a week from 4pm -7pm on Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays** calls are FREE to the helpline on 0800 448 0704 or by email at Catholiclisteners@gmail.com

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.

CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL:
'Overflow' Conference - SATURDAY 1 JULY 2023 10.30am-6.30pm. Venue: Bethel Convention Centre, Kelvin Way, West Bromwich, Birmingham, B70 7JW. For more information and how to book to attend, please visit: www.ccr.org.uk/articles/overflow2/

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

Why have intentions at Mass? Holy Mass makes present the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection. There is no greater prayer, because the Mass is the perfect offering of the Son of God to his heavenly Father. In offering Mass for a specific intention, the priest prays to God that the fruits of Christ's redemptive sacrifice be applied to the requested intention, for the spiritual and temporal good of the person(s) concerned.

What happens to the stipend? How much is it? Offering a stipend for a Mass intention is a way of contributing to the upkeep of your priests. It is a donation.

We are currently short of Mass intentions. Please consider having Masses said for your intention(s), and for those of your nearest and dearest, living or dead. Mass Offering Envelopes are available at the back of the church. Thank you.

Regina caeli (Queen of Heaven)

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R E-gína cæ-li * lætá-re, alle-lú-ia: Qui- a quem me-

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.