

# 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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Narrow Lane, Brownhills, WS8 6HX

Head: Mrs. Siobhan Moran Tel: (01543) 452921

## FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year B)

DATE	TIME/PLACE	INTENTIONS	FEASTS
Sat 27 <sup>th</sup> January	5.00pm	Lauren Murphy RIP	Sunday Vigil
	6.30pm(Brownhills)	The Skrodelus Family	
Sun 28 <sup>th</sup> January	9.00am (Brownhills)	People of the Parish	FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
	11.00am	Bridget Walters RIP	
Mon 29 <sup>th</sup> January	9.30am	Victor de Costa RIP	Feria (Devotion to St. Joseph after Mass)
	3.30pm (Brownhills)	Parents Meeting (FHC) at school	
	6.00pm	Parents Meeting (FHC) at church	
	7.00pm	Rosary	
Tue 30 <sup>th</sup> January	9.00am (Brownhills)	Mass at school	Feria
Wed 31 <sup>st</sup> January	7.00pm	JOURNEY IN FAITH at St. Joseph's - All welcome	
Thurs 1 <sup>st</sup> February	9.15am	James Doyle RIP (Mass at school)	Feria
	12 noon (Brownhills)	Nichola Hurley (Birthday Wishes)	
	6.00pm	HOLY HOUR	
Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup> February	9.30am	Robert Bowen RIP (Divine Mercy after Mass)	Feast of the Presentation of the Lord
Sat 3 <sup>rd</sup> February	10.00am	First Holy Communion Class	Sunday Vigil
	5.00pm	Thomas & Kathleen Phillips RIP	
	6.30pm(Brownhills)	Murtagh Baxter & Eleanor Roberts RIP	
Sun 4 <sup>th</sup> February	9.00am (Brownhills)	People of the Parish (T/C after Mass)	FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
	11.00am	Bridget Walters RIP (T/C after Mass)	

**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:**

*Dominic Nguyen RIP*

**Sacred Heart's Light:**

*Mary Buckley RIP*

**Our Lady's Light:**

*Lauren Murphy RIP*

**ANNIVERSARIES WITHIN THE WEEK**

**ST. JOSEPH'S:** Frances Ashley, Brian Carter, Thomas Phillips, Peter Lefaucheur, John Carless, Frances Dilcock, Petros Milauskas, Sylvester Ward, Pauline Till, Thomas Jeffers, Wilfred Mace, Daniel Morris, Daniel O'Mahoney, Carl Coughlan, Brian Bishop, Christopher Clarke, Michael Jeffers and Margaret Jones

**ST. BERNADETTE'S:** Ray Holland, Baby Darren Burton, Tom Small, Cora Reidy, George Taylor, Liam Costello, Russell Bevington, Ann Parsons, Fr Roger Birks, Evelyn Barnett, Marie Palmer, Brendan Scanlan and Anthony Rock

**DEEPEST SYMPATHY**

**St. Joseph's:** Please pray for the repose of the soul of Victor de Costa who died recently. We extend our deepest sympathy to Jenny (his wife) and the whole family during this difficult time. Details for Victor's funeral will be informed in due course. May he rest in Peace!

**SICK IN THE PARISH**

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

**St. Joseph's:** Cath Twyman, Eddie McCann, Sheila O'Connor, Monica Roberts, Thelma Waters, Maureen Dewsbury, Nonie Gamble, Michael McGough, Maureen Barnes.

**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.*

**PARISH MISSION 18-22 March**  
**(for both parishes)**

More details on posters and leaflets. Please take the leaflet home and spread the news about the mission. More importantly, please pray that this will be a real blessing for both parishes and each of us will be spiritually refreshed and strengthened.

**JOURNEY IN FAITH**

**(Wednesdays 7pm, term time only)**

*In the spirit of The Year of Prayer, our sessions will focus on the Lord's Prayer. Please make time for these sessions which will help us to deepen our personal relationship with the Lord in prayer and strengthen our community bond. It is at St. Joseph's, Burntwood. All welcome!*

**YOUTH GROUP NEEDS YOUR HELP**

Our Youth Group is taking place twice a month (2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays) 6.30pm – 8pm at St. Joseph's. **We urgently NEED more adult volunteers to help.** If you can, please let Fr. Linh know or contact Elaine: [helen\\_ilsley@hotmail.com](mailto:helen_ilsley@hotmail.com)

**VIGIL FOR PEACE**

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> Feb 7pm – 8pm**

People are suffering from wars around the world especially in Israel & Gaza, Ukraine & Russia. Let's come together as God's Family to pray for Peace and to entrust our world to the Prince of Peace.

May He grant us His Peace.

**All welcome!**

## ST. JOSEPH'S

**CHURCH FLOWERS:** If you'd like to donate for flowers in church in loving memory of your loved one(s), please put donation and intention note in an envelope and hand it to Fr. Linh.

**PARISH MONTHLY DRAW:** Only £5/month to win £150 (1<sup>st</sup> 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 13<sup>th</sup> Feb 2024** at 6.30pm, all are welcome from Years 6, 7 & 8. Open from 6.15pm. Cost £1. Every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 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 and non -perishable food items.....* This is to support **SPARKS** - the local family centre. Please put your donations in the box provided in the hall. **Please note: NO soft toys**, unless brand new with the label still on.

**COMMUNITY STORE AT SANKEY'S CORNER:** where food can be bought at very reasonable rates. Open on Mondays, Weds and Fridays from 10.30am to 2.30pm

**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](mailto:glynn.king1@ntlworld.com). Forms are also at the back of the church.

**A TRIP TO ROME (24 JUNE – 1 JULY):** £1425 (twin/double) / £1575 (single) per person. If interested, please contact **Alice Reeve** [alicereeve1@sky.com](mailto:alicereeve1@sky.com)

**HOSPITAL VISIT:** If your loved one is admitted to hospital, please inform the staff/nurse/doctor ASAP that they are Catholic and want a visit from a Catholic Chaplain when possible. This will ensure they receive HC and the sacrament of the sick if needed.

**TO RECEIVE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER BY EMAIL, please SUBSCRIBE on our website.**

## Financial Information

Church	St. Joseph's	St. Bernadette's
1 <sup>st</sup> (loose)	£169.08	£97.00
1 <sup>st</sup> (GA)	£13.00	£69.00
2 <sup>nd</sup> Col (Parish Maintenance)	£106.53	£63.66
	£75.20(GA)	£20.00(GA)
SO	£549	£175
<b>Total</b>	<b>£731.08</b>	<b>£341.00</b>
<b>Attended</b>	<b>192</b> (Sat & Sun)	<b>91</b> (Sat & Sun)

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

## ST. BERNADETTE'S

**CHURCH FLOWERS:** If you'd like to donate for flowers in church in loving memory of your loved one(s), 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.

**SISTERS OF DAUGHTERS OF DIVINE LOVE:** Our parish are delighted to welcome **Sr. Maryanne, Sr. Bonaventure and Sr. Bridget**. They moved in yesterday and are now residing in the Presbytery. Please make them welcome and help them to settle in. Let's pray and hope that Brownhills will become their home for a long time.

### JOB OPPORTUNITY

#### AT ST. BERNADETTE'S RC PRIMARY SCHOOL

**Post:** Lunchtime Supervisor

**Start Date:** As soon as possible

**Contract:** Fixed Term to August 2024

**Salary:** £2893.72 per annum (Actual) £10.60 per hour

**Closing Date:** 12 midday Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2024

**Interviews** will take place week beginning Monday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2024

*For an informal discussion, to arrange an informal visit or to answer any questions, please contact school office: 01543 452921*

## MISSION PRAYER

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to your protection, implored your help, or sought your intercession, was left unaided.

Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto you, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother. To you do I come, before you I stand, sinful and sorrowful.

O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in your mercy, hear and answer me. 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](mailto: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](mailto:sg.stbernadette.brownhills@rcaob.org.uk) or the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted at [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto: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 (local or abroad).

**BECOMING CATHOLIC:** Please contact Fr. Linh for a friendly chat to discuss the way forward.

**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

At Mass, **sacred silence**, as part of the celebration, is to be observed at the designated times:

- ✓ **before** the celebration itself so that all may dispose themselves to carry out the sacred action in a devout and fitting manner.
- ✓ **within** the Act of Penitence and after the invitation to pray, for all to recollect themselves;
- ✓ at the **conclusion** of a reading or a homily, for all to meditate briefly on what they have heard.
- ✓ **after** Communion, for all to give thanks, to praise and pray to God in their hearts.

*Please try to come to church a bit **EARLY** to spend some time in **SILENCE** to prepare for Mass. Please **respect** the above times for silent reflections.*

## 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.