CATHOLIC CHURCHES IN BURNTWOOD & BROWNHILLS

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PARISH OF ST. JOSEPH, BURNTWOOD

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SOLEMNITY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD (YEAR B) Alleluia! Alleluia! He is risen!

DATE	TIME/PLACE	INTENTIONS	FEASTS	
Saturday 30 th March	3.00pm	BLESSING OF FOOD	EASTER VIGIL	
	8.00pm	Irene & Wal Pownall RIP		
Sunday 31 st March	9.00am(Brownhills)	Joe & Veronica Moloney	EASTER SUNDAY	
	11.00am	Decease of the Honan Family		
Monday 1 st April		NO MASS	- Easter Monday	
		NO ROSARY		
Tuesday 2 nd April		NO MASS	Easter Tuesday	
Wednesday 3 rd April	6.00pm	RECEPTION OF MICHAEL McGEOUGH INTO CHURCH	Easter Wednesday	
Thursday 4 th April	11.00am	FUNERAL MASS OF MICHAEL McGEOUGH	Easter Thursday	
Friday 5 th April	9.30am	Ailyn Greene (15th Birthday) (Divine Mercy after Mass)	Easter Friday	
Saturday 6 th April	5.00pm	Len & Nora Harrison RIP	Sunday Vigil	
	6.30pm(Brownhills)	Deceased of the Mooney Family		
Sunday 7 th April	9.00am(Brownhills)	People of the Parish		
	11.00am	Noel Sweeney RIP	2 nd SUNDAY OF EASTER	
	12.30pm	Baptism of Darcy & Jonah	Divine Mercy Sunday	
	3.00pm	DIVINE MERCY HOLY HOUR		

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*

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.



This week we pray for...

Sanctuary Light: Margaret Ritchie RIP

Sacred Heart's Light: Dorothy Minter RIP Our Lady's Light: Dominic Nguyen RIP

ANNIVERSARIES WITHIN THE WEEK

ST. JOSEPH'S: Susan Jeffers, Francis Neenan, Stanley Brozowski, Oisin Sweeney, Maurice Ryan, Noel Sweeney, Maria Borg, Harriet Williamson, Edward O'Loughlin, David Richards, Nora Black, Kathleen Jones, Leonard Bradbury, Daniel Burke, Patricia Murtagh, Theresa Edge, Marjorie Neenan, Michael Sweeney, Leonard Harrison, Petra Ritbergeris and Margaret Tully

ST. BERNADETTE'S:, Mick Cash, Molly McNamara, Oisin Sweeney, Maurice Sharman, Doris Phillips and Danny Burke

DEEPEST SYMPATHY

<u>ST. JOSEPH'S</u>: Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Michael McGeough**, Josie Eardley, and **Anne Kearns** who died recently. We extend our deepest sympathy to their families during this difficult time. **Michael's Reception** – 6pm Wed 3rd April, **Funeral Mass** – 11am Thursday 4th April. Josie's Reception – 4pm Thursday 11th April, **Funeral Mass** – 10am Friday 12th April. May they rest in Peace!

<u>SICK IN THE PARISH</u>

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

<u>St. Joseph's</u>: Cath Twyman, Eddie McCann, Sheila O'Connor, Monica Roberts, Thelma Waters, Maureen Dewsbury, Nonie Gamble, Maureen Barnes.

<u>St. Bernadette's</u>: Agnes Cronin, Irene Dunwell, Veronica & Ken 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.

THANK YOU

<u>THANK YOU</u>: to all volunteers who helped to prepare for the celebrations during Holy Week especially the Easter Triduum: Deacon Tony, altar servers, the choir & musicians who led us with the singing, the flower and decoration team, the welcomers, and many others who worked behind the scene. May God bless you and all the good work that you are doing for His Church.

<u>**THANK YOU**</u>: for all your Easter cards and gifts, for your support and prayers. Please continue to pray for me so that I may always be a priest as the Lord wants me to be.

Easter is not finished on Easter Sunday. The **fifty days** from Easter Sunday of the Resurrection to Pentecost Sunday are celebrated in joy and exultation as one feast day. This sacred period of fifty days concludes with Pentecost Sunday, when the gift of the Holy Spirit to the Apostles, the beginning of the Church, and the start of its mission to all tongues and peoples and nations are commemorated. Let the Joy of Easter be with us and our families always.

Alleluia! Alleluia! He is risen!

Happy Easter to all! May the Risen Lord fill you with Joy, Peace and Hope this Easter Season and always!

ST. JOSEPH'S

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EASTER FLOWERS: are in loving memory of Thomas & Mary Buckley, Elizabeth Mulligan, Doris Salt, James Salt and Yvonne Horsley. If you'd like to donate for flowers in church during Easter season in loving memory of your loved one(s), please put donation and intention note in an envelope, hand it to Fr. Linh.

PARISH MONTHLY DRAW: Only $\pounds 5$ /month to win $\pounds 150$ (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: break for Easter until next session on **Tuesday 23rdApril 2024**.

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. <u>Please note:</u> 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 <u>glynn.king1@ntlworld.com</u>. Forms are also at the back of the church.

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

EASTER SUNDAY - SUN RISE PRAYER & PRAISE: on Castle Ring 6.30am, then breakfast at Emmanuel Church. All welcome.

JACQUELINE'S JAUNTS trip to Worcester on Saturday 27 April. Cost £25.00 but the more people that go the cost will be reduced. If interested please contact Jackie on 684582 or 07739422387.

Financial Information

Church	St. Joseph's	St. Bernadette's
1 st (loose)	£176.58	£110.08
1 st (GA)	£19.00	£79.00
2 nd Col	£100.27	£54.08
(Parish Maintenance)	£72.50(GA)	£13.00(GA)
SO	£549	£175
Total	£744.58	£364.08
Attended	200 (Sat & Sun)	79 (Sat & Sun)

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

ST. BERNADETTE'S

EASTER FLOWERS: our Paschal Candle is in loving memory of Anne-Marie Cooper. May she rest in Peace! If you'd like to donate for flowers in church during Easter season in loving memory of your loved one(s), please put donation & intention note in an envelope and give it to Fr. Linh.

50/50 CLUB: We need to sell a minimum number of tickets for the draw to run. It is a great way to support our parish! At the moment, we are just to make even. We need more people to buy tickets in order to make profit. Please consider to join. Anne will be at church after weekend Masses to sell tickets and to answer your further questions.

EASTER RAFFLE: Please check from the table at the back of the church if you've won any prizes. Please collect your prizes. Thank you for your support to the parish.

HELP - Walsall Manor Chaplaincy department are in need of small knitted/crocheted crosses and small knitted/crocheted animals to give to patients and their relatives. If you are interested in helping please let Helen Richards know on 07570311835. Thank You

EASTER OFFERING

Traditionally, the collections at the Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday are Easter Gift from the two parishes to Fr. Linh, our parish priest. You can use special envelopes available at the back of the church if you wish. Thank you.

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. Sallv Holmes who be can contacted at: sq.stbernadette.brownhills@rcaob.org.uk the or Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted at safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk or on 0121 230 6240 if you have any concerns.

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

<u>BAPTISM</u>: 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.

<u>PARISH GIVING</u>: 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

The mystery of Christ's resurrection is a real manifestations with that were event, historically verified, as the New Testament bears witness. In about A.D. 56, St. Paul could already write to the Corinthians: "I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the Twelve..." The Apostle speaks here of the living tradition of the Resurrection which he had learned after his conversion at the gates of Damascus. (CCC 639)

