

### PRAYER TO ST JOSEPH

O Blessed St Joseph,  
Patron of the Universal Church,  
extend to all God's children the care you showed  
to the Holy Family in Nazareth  
and pray for us as we gather to celebrate the Eucharist.  
Guide & protect all the people of our parish  
and make the light of Christ shine among us  
so that His Kingdom may be established in our midst.  
Amen.

### PARISH GROUPS

**Rosary Group:** Mondays after Mass  
**SVP:** meets alternate Wednesdays at 2.30pm.  
**CAFOD group:** meets monthly contact Mary Kane  
**Music Group:** contact Julie Train  
**Bereavement Group:** contact Maureen Barnes  
**Guild of St Stephen (altar servers):** last Sat of the month at 9am  
**Play Group & Nursery:** contact Ann King on 671356  
**Diners' Club:** meets monthly  
**Men's Breakfast:** 1st Saturday of the month 8.30am

### PARISH INFORMATION

**Parish Office:** Maureen Barnes & Cath Nugent, office hours: Weds & Fri 10am-3pm  
**Gift Aid Organiser:** Angela Thompson  
**Child Protection:** Breda Helm  
**Parish Magazine:** Margaret Taylor / Tony Hayward  
**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Sat 4pm or by appointment  
**Sacrament of Baptism:** after Mass on Sundays  
**Sacrament Marriage:** By Appointment  
**Adoration:** Mondays 7.30—8.30pm & Thursdays 8—8.30pm

### SUNDAY MASS TIMES IN NEIGHBOURING PARISHES

**Brownhills St Bernadette:** Sat 6.30pm, Sun 10am  
**Cannock SS Mary & Thomas More:** Sat 5.15pm, Sun 8am, 10.30am  
**Hednesford Our Lady of Lourdes:** Sat 6pm, Sun 9.30am  
**Lichfield Holy Cross:** Sun 8.30am, SS Peter & Paul Sat 6pm, Sun 11am  
**Rugeley SS Joseph & Etheldreda:** Sat 7pm, Sun 11am, 6.30pm

*This parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham and registered as a charity.  
Number 234216 (1883)  
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### ST JOSEPH'S PARISH NEWS

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### THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Week beginning Sunday 22 April 2012  
Sundays Year B; weekdays Year 2; Psalter: Week 3

#### Sunday 22 April *Third Sunday of Easter*

5pm Vigil Mass *Renee Barry*  
10am Mass *People of the Parish*

#### Monday 23 April *St George*

7pm Mass & Holy Hour *Margaret & Peter Taylor*

#### Tuesday 24 April *St Adalbert or St Fidelis of Sigmaringen*

9.30am Mass (in church) *Janine Mills*

#### Wednesday 25 April *St Mark*

12pm Mass *Willie Toland*

#### Thursday 26 April *Easter weekday*

7.30pm The Word, Holy Communion & Adoration

#### Friday 27 April *Easter weekday*

9.15am Mass *Bernard Hession*

#### Saturday 28 April *St Peter Chanel or St Louis de Montfort*

4pm Confessions

#### Sunday 29 April *Fourth Sunday of Easter*

5pm Vigil Mass *Thomas Phillips*  
10am Mass *People of the Parish*

## THE WORD THIS WEEK

We continue to think about the Resurrection this week, from three different perspectives: the Gospel gives us another story of Jesus appearing to his disciples - this time the beautiful story of the meeting in Jerusalem, when Jesus proves he is alive and no ghost by eating some grilled fish: he reminds the disciples that all he suffered and rise so the "repentance for the forgiveness of sins" could be preached to the whole world. The first reading shows us Saint Peter's doing just that, as he addresses the crowd in Jerusalem on the day of Pentecost: he takes them through recent events (fifty days earlier), highlighting the important point, that he and the disciples can witness to the raising of Jesus from the dead, and calling them to "repent and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out." The second reading brings this into our lives: the resurrection is not just a historical event, which we remember. By baptism (which we renewed at Easter) we become part of Jesus in his dying and his rising, as he 'becomes the sacrifice that takes our sins away'. So all that Saint John tells us about the commandments and avoiding sin is our way of living the Resurrection



## PLEASE PRAY FOR

**Those who have died recently:** Rev Ken Collins, Bernard Hession, John Carless, Brian Mealey, Patrick Gerard Murphy, Derrick Stone, Eileen Head, Richard Sedgely, Joan O'Grady, James Ward

**Those whose anniversaries occur this week:** Elizabeth Frances Scarrett, Helga Wade, Maria Ilnicka, Dorothy Ebery, John O'Brien, Edna Annie Kiggins, Nigel Alford Rogers

*Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord,  
and let perpetual light shine upon them.  
May they rest in peace. Amen*

**The sick & housebound:** Gillian Atkinson, Chris Austin, Christopher Barton, Christopher Brown, Nikki Carr, Pauline & Ken Chaplain, Anne Corfield, Auriel Dalley, Janet Evans, Stuart Frost, Jean Griffiths, Jill Gutteridge, Joshua Harley, Tracy Holland, Mary Hughes, Dorothy Hurley, Sally Ireson, Clare Kettle, Josie Kimberly, Lorraine Macbeth, John Magulski, Lily McGrath, Michael McGowan, Tracy McGregor, Amy McKeon, Anita McLean, Diane Meddings, Paul Robert Moffat, Daniel Moody, Ricardo Morcillo, Vincent Morgan, Betty Myatt, Elsie Norman, Maureen Parker, Bob Preston, Bernadette Samongie, Tony Scott, Margaret Smith, Michael Stanley, Margaret Taylor, Margaret Trickett, Matthew Waterfield, Josie Wilson, Jean Winsper, Maureen Wither, Letitia Worth

**'My house shall be called a house of prayer'  
Before Mass Talk to God, during Mass Listen to God,  
after Mass Talk to each other**

## GENERAL NOTICES

**Finance:** 15th April £397.27 (gift aid: £137.31 loose: £259.96)  
*Second collections* last Sunday: Holy Places £241.87  
this Sunday: Church Maintenance  
next Sunday: Priests' Training Fund

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

**Rosary Group:** Mon 23 April, 8pm, 38 Highfields Road, Chasetown. All welcome

**Journey in Faith:** Next meeting in the hall on Tues 24 April, 7.30pm

**Diners' Club:** Fri 27 April, 6.45pm at The Malt Shovel, Chorley. Please sign list.

**Cafod group:** meeting on Monday 30 April at 7.30pm. All welcome. The group would like to thank everyone who helped with the Palm Sunday weekend cake stall by providing / buying cakes. The amount raised was £126.

**First Holy Communion:** The next session will on Sat 21 April.

**The Divine Office:** If anybody would like to learn how to pray the Office, the official prayer of the Church, there will be a session on Friday at 7pm in the hall. The focus will be on Morning & Evening Prayer.

**Pilgrimage to Medjugorje:** May 19, depart B'ham 14.15; return May 26, arrive 21.10. Cost £534 per person sharing, single £120 extra. Insurance £30 if needed. Ring Josie 01889 582146 if interested.

**Fr Ken Collins RIP:** Reception Mass on Thurs 26 April at 7pm at Oscott College & Funeral Mass at 11.30am (at Oscott) on Friday 27 April.

**Forthcoming events:** First Holy Communion: Sunday 13 May, 10am. Confirmation: Sunday 27 May, 12pm