

**PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THE SICK OF OUR PARISH, MAY GOD BLESS AND COMFORT THEM.**

Also remember in your prayers, those who bear their illness privately.

Mary Sheila Cashmore (Noon), Sheila Cooney, Terry Dixon, Frances Groves, Eileen Hall, Sean Hooper, Barbara Jarvis, Janice Lambley, Norma Jeynes, Julie Myatt, Michelle Price, Matthew Pritchett, Kathleen Riley, Dave Wallett, Moya Wells, Pat Wilkins, Dawn Wood.

**Of your charity, please pray for the repose of the souls of the faithfully departed whose anniversaries occur in MARCH †**

Lino Advantaggiato, Marie Angell, Lileth Biggs, V. Rev Canon Stuart Bathurst (built our Church), Cecelia Bridgwater, William Alfred Davies, Margaret Davies, Harold Davis, Kate Dennis, Monica Green, Margorie Harrison, Dorothy Ilsley, Theresa Ingamels, James Mason, Dawn Ann Mattocks, Rev George Montgomery (founder of our Parish), Thomas Moran, Pop Pallet, Albert Peach, Maureen Peach, Michael Leonard Peach, David Severn, Monica Severn, Kathleen Small, Joan Smith, Catherine Varley, Elvira Watson, Terry & Jenny Wilks, Canon Brian Withers (former Parish Priest)

**The Altar of Our Lady and the Sacred Heart – to have the candle lamp burn for your intentions or loved ones for the week - please see Fr Paul or Cate.**

The candle lamps on Our Lady's Altar burn this week for:

**Geraldine O'Connor RIP (Anniversary 17<sup>th</sup> March)**

**Sheila Dewhurst (Private Intentions)**

The candle lamps on the Sacred Heart Altar burn this week for:

**William Alfred Davies RIP (Anniversary 15<sup>th</sup> March)**

**Sheila Dewhurst (Private Intentions)**

**If you would like to have flowers in Church for Easter in Memory of a loved one or for any intention, or contribute towards the cost of the Easter flowers for Church, please see Anne or Cate.**

**CONFESSIONS ARE AVAILABLE UP TO 10 MINUTES BEFORE EACH MASS – OR CONTACT FR PAUL**

**PLEASE CHECK THE WEBSITE FOR REGULAR UPDATES! The website is regularly updated and the newsletter is on usually every Thursday.**

[www.saintmaryswednesbury.org.uk](http://www.saintmaryswednesbury.org.uk)

Please note the cut-off is Wednesday lunchtime



**OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS PRAY FOR US  
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**SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT**

**13<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2022**

Saturday Mar 12	5.00pm Mass (Michael Leonard Peach RIP)
Sunday Mar 13	10.00am Mass (People of the Parish) 11.30am Traditional Latin Mass (Brian Taylor RIP)
Monday Mar 14	<b>NO MASS</b>
Tuesday Mar 15	<u>9.30am Holy Rosary</u> 10.00am Mass (Very Rev Canon Stuart Bathurst RIP – Anniv) (Canon Bathurst built our Church)
Wednesday Mar 16	10.00am Mass (Holy Souls) <b>7.00pm-8.00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</b>
Thursday Mar 17	<b>10.00am Mass (Mollie &amp; Albert Diggett RIP) – In Church</b> Feast of St Patrick <b>*PLEASE NOTE TIME &amp; LOCATION*</b> Bishop, Patron of Ireland (with school children in attendance)
Friday Mar 18	<b>NO EXPOSITION</b> 10.00am Mass (Geraldine O'Connor RIP – Anniv 17 <sup>th</sup> March) <u>Stations of the Cross</u>
Saturday Mar 19	5.00pm Mass (Priest's Intention) Solemnity of St. Joseph, Husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Sunday Mar 20	10.00am Mass (People of the Parish) 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent 11.30am Traditional Latin Mass (The Fraternity Society of St Peter)

## PARISH NEWS:

### EASTER AT ST MARY'S:

WE RECENTLY RECEIVED GUIDANCE FROM THE CATHOLIC BISHOPS' CONFERENCE OF ENGLAND & WALES FOR LENT AND EASTER. YOU WILL BE PLEASED TO HEAR THAT THERE CONTINUES TO BE A DIRECTION OF TRAVEL TO RETURN TO WHAT WAS NORMAL WHEN ATTENDING MASS AT ST. MARY'S. YOU WILL BE UPDATED ON FULL ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE EASTER TRIDUUM OVER THE NEXT FEW WEEKS. WE CAN ADVISE THAT THE VENERATION OF THE CROSS HAS BEEN RESTORED FOR GOOD FRIDAY BUT WILL INVOLVE TOUCHING THE CROSS ONLY. STEWARDS WILL REMAIN ON DUTY ON SATURDAY & SUNDAY UP TO AND INCLUDING THE EASTER VIGIL & EASTER SUNDAY. THEREAFTER, THE STEWARDING ROLE WILL NO LONGER BE IN PLACE. AGAIN, WE MUST THANK THOSE WHO HAVE GIVEN THEIR TIME OVER ALMOST TWO YEARS TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF ATTENDING ST. MARY'S. PLEASE CONTINUE THE PRACTICE OF SANITISING ON ENTRY & EXIT. PLEASE HAVE REGARD TO SOCIAL DISTANCING. THE WEARING OF FACE COVERINGS IS OPTIONAL. HOLY COMMUNION ARRANGEMENTS REMAIN AS CURRENT BUT SUBJECT TO REVIEW IN LINE WITH THE STEWARDING ARRANGEMENTS ENDING AT EASTER. PLEASE NOTE COULD THOSE RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION ON THE TONGUE. PLEASE CONTINUE TO RECEIVE LAST. TOILETS ARE OPEN BUT MUST BE SANITISED AFTER EVERY USE.

### DIARY:

ST PATRICK'S SOCIAL NIGHT:  
SATURDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 6PM  
WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE:  
16<sup>TH</sup>-20<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2022  
HRH QUEEN ELIZABETH II  
PLATINUM ANNIVERSARY: 2<sup>ND</sup>-5<sup>TH</sup>  
JUNE 2022 Flower Festival in  
Church – details later.  
FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS:  
SATURDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2022  
12noon  
CONFIRMATIONS:  
THURSDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> JUNE 2022 7PM  
RELIQS OF ST BERNADETTE:  
8<sup>TH</sup>/9<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER AT HEDNESFORD

YOUR PARISH STILL NEEDS YOUR HELP FINANCIALLY.  
IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO CONSIDER SETTING UP A STANDING ORDER, PLEASE CONTACT CATE ON 07773 712936  
THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT AT THIS TIME.  
IF ANYONE IS INTERESTED IN BECOMING A GIFTAIDER AT NO EXTRA COST TO YOURSELF, PLEASE CATE. THE GIFT AID IS A VALUABLE EXTRA SOURCE OF INCOME TO THE CHURCH EMAIL:  
[ga.stmaryoth.wednesbury@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:ga.stmaryoth.wednesbury@rcaob.org.uk)

SCHOOL MASSES HAVE NOW RECOMMENCED – PLEASE REFER TO NEWSLETTER FOR DATE, TIME AND LOCATION.

VISIT OF THE RELIQS OF ST BERNADETTE WILL BE IN THE ARCHDIOCESE DURING THEIR VISIT TO UK, THEY WILL BE AT THE SHRINE IN HEDNESFORD SATURDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER/SUNDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER – DETAILS ON THE NOTICE BOARD.

TEA/COFFEE AFTER MASS ON SUNDAYS  
TEA/COFFEE & TOAST AFTER MASS ON THURSDAYS

## PARISH NEWS:

### LAST WEEKEND:

OFFERTORY £489.22 (WEEK)

STANDING ORDERS (MONTHLY) £395  
Thank you for your continued generosity.

THANK YOU TO OUR LOYAL TEAM OF CLEANERS WHO GAVE THEIR TIME LAST WEEK TO CLEAN OUR CHURCH. IT IS VERY MUCH APPRECIATED.

 ST PATRICK'S SOCIAL NIGHT:  
SATURDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 6PM  
AFTER MASS. ADMISSION FREE.  
COUPLE OF HRS CELEBRATING ST PATRICK'S, IRISH COFFEE & OTHER HOT DRINKS. YOU CAN BRING YOUR OWN REFRESHMENTS IF YOU WISH. FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES WITH IRISH THEMES. IRISH MUSIC, FAMILY & FRIENDS MOST WELCOME.

 ST PATRICKS RAFFLE THIS SATURDAY IN CHURCH PORCH TO BE DRAWN AT THE ST PATRICKS SOCIAL NIGHT ON SATURDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> MARCH.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES: THE NEW OFFERTORY ENVELOPES HAVE ARRIVED FOR THE NEW FINANCIAL YEAR, THEY ARE AVAILABLE IN THE PORCH.

LUCKY SQUARE – THREE CASH PRIZES OF £25, £12 AND £7.  
PLEASE NOTE THE DRAW WILL BE MADE ON THE 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH. SO PLEASE ENSURE THAT ALL MONIES ARE PAID PRIOR TO THIS. OTHERWISE THE NUMBER WILL NOT BE INCLUDED. IF ANYONE WISHES TO JOIN THE LUCKY SQUARE, PLEASE SEE TRACEY OR ONE OF THE STEWARDS.  
THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH.

### VISITING THE SICK:

MARY JONES HAS BEEN COMMISSIONED TO BE AN EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER FOR HOLY COMMUNION FOR THIS PARISH. HER MAIN ROLE WILL BE TO GIVE HOLY COMMUNION TO THOSE WHO ARE SICK IN THE PARISH. IN ORDER FOR HER TO KNOW WHO YOU ARE, PLEASE RING MARY ON 07711 688413 AND GIVE HER YOUR CONTACT DETAILS SO THAT SHE CAN ORGANISE. THANK YOU.  
FR PAUL.

RETIRING COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND FOR WINTER HEATING BILLS.

### LENT:

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: THROUGHOUT LENT ON FRIDAYS AFTER MASS.  
EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: DURING LENT WILL BE ON WEDNESDAY EVENINGS 7PM-8PM  
CONFESSIONS AVAILABLE.

### SUGGESTION BOX:

THERE IS NOW A SUGGESTION BOX IN THE CHURCH PORCH FOR YOUR SUGGESTIONS/IDEAS TO BE PUT FORWARD TO FR PAUL FOR CONSIDERATION.



FR PAUL INVITES YOU ON A JOURNEY TO SHARE WITH HIM THE WAYS OF PRAYER ON HIS YOUTUBE CHANNEL “IN MONTEM SANCTUM” TO GIVE HOPE AND ENCOURAGEMENT IN THE WAYS OF FAITH. FR PAUL LESTER - YOUTUBE CHANNEL - IN MONTEM SANCTUM