

**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, and those that care for them.

*Theresa Adams, Pauline Agg, Sheila Cooney, Margaret Cooper, Joan & Terry Dixon, Frances Groves, Sean Hooper, Barbara Jarvis, Michelle Price, Moya Wells, Pat Wilkins.*

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

*Paul Agg, Teresa Agg, Brian Bailey, Joe Burnside, Christine Byrne, Mary Sheila Cashmore (Noon), Peter Cole, Charles Cowley, Mary Davis, Edward Fairless, Winifred Fairless, George Gibbs, Jane Hooper, Joseph Jennings, Catherine Joyce, David Anthony Jones, Ann Maria & Henry Keay, Charles Kirinich, Joseph Lally, Mary A.J. Lowe, Kath Mitchell, Marcella Moore, Marina Morgan, Joyce O'Connor, Fr Francis E. O'Hanlon (former PP), Lynn Reynolds, Fr Patrick O'Sullivan (former PP), Mary Peach, James Ernest Peach, Joel & Maria Reed, George Turner, Violet Williams, Winifred Williams.*

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

*The candle lamp on Our Lady's Altar burns this week for:*

*The candle lamp on the Sacred Heart Altar burns this week for:*

*Peter Bailey RIP (Birthday Remembrance)*

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

**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**

The Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham registered Charity No. 234216



*OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS PRAY FOR US*

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## **TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR**

**1<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER 2023**

<b>Saturday Sept 30</b>	<b>10.00am Traditional Latin Mass (Alison Southcombe RIP)</b>
<b>Mem. of St Jerome, Priest</b>	<b>(2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary)</b>
<b>Doctor of the Church</b>	<b>5.00pm Mass (Priest's Intention)</b>
<b>Sunday Oct 1</b>	<b>10.00am Mass (People of the Parish)</b>
	<b>11.30am Traditional Latin Mass (Holy Souls)</b>
	<b><u>Fr Paul's last Sunday Mass</u></b>
<b>Monday Oct 2</b>	<b><u>9.00am Mass</u></b>
<b>Mem. of the Holy Guardian Angels</b>	<b><u>Fr Paul's last Mass</u></b>
<b>Tuesday Oct 3</b>	<b><u>NO MASS</u></b>
<b>Wednesday Oct 4</b>	<b><u>NO MASS</u></b>
<b>Thursday Oct 5</b>	<b><u>NO MASS</u></b>
<b>Friday Oct 6</b>	<b><u>NO MASS</u></b>
<b>Saturday Oct 7</b>	<b>5.00pm Mass (Kevin Hennessey &amp; Dec'd Family Members RIP)</b>
<b>Mem. of Our Lady of the Rosary</b>	<b><u>Fr Michael's 1<sup>st</sup> Mass</u></b>
<b>Sunday Oct 8</b>	<b>10.00am Mass (People of the Parish)</b>
<b>27<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year</b>	

## PARISH NEWS:

**SAFEGUARDING:** The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Mary Jones. She can be contacted at [sg.stmaryoth.wednesbury@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.stmaryoth.wednesbury@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 concern.

**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. PROCEEDS TO THE CHURCH RESTORATION FUND. THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** PLEASE NOTE THAT DUE TO LACK OF INTEREST, THE CHILDREN'S LITURGY IS CANCELLED. IT MAY BE REVIEWED AT A LATER DATE. WE THANK TERESA & ANNA FOR GIVING UP THEIR TIME TO HELP US OUT.

### **DIARY:**

**CHRISTMAS FAYRE: SATURDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 12 NOON**

### **HEALTH & SAFETY MESSAGE:**

PARISHIONERS ARE ADVISED TO TAKE CARE WHEN ACCESSING CHURCH AS THERE ARE POTENTIALLY A NUMBER OF TRIP HAZARDS WITH DAMAGED MORTAR AND SLABS. AS THERE ARE MANY JOBS, IT IS ON THE "TO DO" LIST. THANK YOU.

**TEA/COFFEE & TOAST EVERY THURSDAY AFTER MASS.**  
**TEA & COFFEE AFTER MASS ON SUNDAYS.**

### **MACMILLAN COFFEE**

#### **MORNING:**

**THANK YOU TO ALL WHO SUPPORTED THE MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING, WE RAISED £168. MARY JONES.**

**FOOD BANK:** THERE IS A BOX IN THE CHURCH PORCH FOR ANY DONATIONS OF TINNED OR DRIED FOODS, TOILETRIES ETC WHICH WILL BE GRATEFULLY RECEIVED. **THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT IN THIS TIME OF NEED**

**APPEAL:** PLEASE IF YOU COULD SPARE EVEN A TIN OF SOUP OR A PACK OF BISCUITS, WE ARE IN NEED OF MORE SUPPLIES, THANK YOU FOR ANY HELP YOU CAN GIVE.

## PARISH NEWS:

**Offertory: £331.38 (Week)**  
**Fr Hudson's Society £22**  
**Attendance: 102**  
**Standing Orders: (MONTHLY):**  
**£680 (JULY) Thank you for your continued generosity.**

**RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION:**  
**MAY WE RESPECTFULLY ASK THAT ANYONE RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION ON THE TONGUE TO PLEASE GO UP LAST, OUT OF COURTESY TO YOUR FELLOW PARISHIONERS.** THANK YOU FOR YOUR CO-OPERATION.

### **YOUR PARISH NEEDS YOU!**

WE KNOW HOW HARD IT IS IN THESE DIFFICULT TIMES BUT YOUR CHURCH IS SUFFERING TOO WITH HIGH ENERGY AND RUNNING COSTS ETC. PLEASE CONSIDER IF YOU COULD BE A GIFT AIDER, BECAUSE THIS COULD BRING EXTRA INCOME INTO THE CHURCH AT NO EXTRA COST TO YOURSELF. IF YOU ARE AN INCOME TAX PAYER (OR YOUR SPOUSE /PARTNER IS) - WE COULD RECLAIM ON THE TAX THAT YOU ARE ALREADY PAYING. THIS MEANS THAT INSTEAD OF GIVING £1 TO THE CHURCH YOU CAN IN FACT BE GIVING £1.25! YOU CAN GIVE WHATEVER YOU WANT, WHENEVER YOU WANT, YOU DO NOT HAVE TO SIGN UP FOR A CERTAIN AMOUNT. YOU COULD HAVE ENVELOPES OR PAY BY STANDING ORDER. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS THIS, PLEASE SEE CATE.

**WE WISH FR PAUL EVERY HAPPINESS IN HIS RETIREMENT, AND THANK HIM FOR HIS SERVICE AND DEDICATION TO OUR FAITH.**

**WE WARMLY WELCOME FR MICHAEL TO OUR PARISH OF ST MARY'S AND OFFER HIM OUR HELP AND SUPPORT.**

**WE WILL KEEP THEM BOTH IN OUR PRAYERS.**



### **MESSAGE FROM FR PAUL:**

**I AM VERY GRATEFUL TO ALL WHO HAVE WORKED WITH ME AND SUPPORTED ME DURING MY TIME HERE. YOU ARE TRULY SPECIAL AND YOU WILL NOT BE FORGOTTEN IN MY PRAYERS. WITH EVERY BLESSING. FR PAUL.**

**THANK YOU TO OUR DEDICATED TEAM OF CLEANERS FOR CLEANING THE CHURCH ON FRIDAY.**

**DATE FOR YOUR DIARY:**  
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