

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, Bridget Cooper, Joan Dixon, Sean Hooper, Barbara Jarvis, Michelle Price, Pat Wilkins.*

Of your charity, please pray for the repose of the souls of MARY PERRY RIP & ANNE GRAHAM RIP both recently deceased, and for the souls of the faithfully departed whose Anniversaries occur in May: † *Thomas Bennett, Frank & Olwen Borg, Michael Bradley, Catherine Byrne, Charles Byrne, Mary Clarke, Thomas Clarke, Ann Adenia Coll, Jane & Angela Cowley, John Diggett, John & Pat Gaunt, Eddie Haken, Lorraine Haken (Darby), Roger Howell, Mary Elizabeth Ilsley, Maurice Ilsley, W.J. Ilsley, Graham Harper, Marian Kilvington, Catherine Mason, Joseph Moore, David Newall, Samuel Nicholls, Beatrice Mary Peach, Walter Anthony Peach, Mary Philage (nee Hirrill) Margaret Piddock, Joyce Piggott, Fr James Ward.*

ANNE GRAHAM RIP - FUNERAL SERVICE 12 NOON TUESDAY 21ST MAY

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:
Frank Borg RIP (6th Anniversary 11th May)*

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

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

www.saintmaryswednesbury.org.uk Please note the cut-off is **Thursday 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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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

5TH MAY 2024

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| Saturday May 4 | 5.00pm Mass (People of the Parish) <i>Feast of the English Martyrs</i> |
| Sunday May 5 | 10.00am Mass (Int for Violeta Henslock – 1st Birthday) 12.30pm Baptisms – Freddie David Hands - Francesca Helen Hands |
| Monday May 6 | NO MASS <i>Easter Feria</i> |
| Tuesday May 7 | 9.30am Holy Rosary <i>Easter Feria</i> 10.00am Mass (Holy Souls) |
| Wednesday May 8 | 10.00am Mass (For peace and faith to Elwira, for <i>Easter Feria</i> successfully passing the exam) |
| Thursday May 9 | 10.00am Mass <i>Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord</i> Schoolchildren in Attendance HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION |
| Friday May 10 | 9.00am – 9.45am Adoration & Benediction <i>Easter Feria</i> 10.00am Mass (Terry Dixon RIP) |
| Saturday May 11 | 5.00pm Mass (People of the Parish) <i>Easter Feria</i> |
| Sunday May 12 | 10.00am Mass (Frank & Olwen Borg RIP) Anniversaries <i>7th Sunday of Easter</i> (Frank 11th May & Olwen 17th May) |

PARISH NEWS:

RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION:

EVERYONE IS WELCOME TO RECEIVE COMMUNION. TO AID DISTRIBUTION, THOSE WHO RECEIVE IN THE HAND, PLEASE COME TO THE ALTAR FIRST, FOLLOWED BY THOSE WHO RECEIVE ON THE TONGUE. IF YOU WISH TO HAVE A BLESSING ONLY, PLEASE PUT YOUR HAND ACROSS YOUR CHEST AND I WILL GIVE YOU A BLESSING ONLY. THANK YOU. FR MICHAEL.

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 or the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted at safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk or on 0121 230 6240 if you have any concern.

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.

FOOD BANK: BOX IN PORCH PLEASE SUPPORT IF YOU CAN.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY:

EVERY WEEK, UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTIFIED. HELD IN PARISH HALL GARY, CHRISTINE & JOE

DIARY:

CREAM TEAS: SAT 18TH MAY 2PM IN PARISH HALL

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: 19TH MAY 10AM MASS PENTECOST

SOVEREIGN BRASS CONCERT: SUNDAY 19TH MAY IN PARISH HALL 3PM

SCHOOL MAY PROCESSION: FRI 24TH MAY 2PM IN CHURCH (BEGINS AT SCHOOL VIA MANOR HOUSE ROAD)

CONFIRMATIONS: THURS 6TH JUNE 6PM CANON MCNALLY, EPISCOPAL VICAR FOR STAFFORDSHIRE & THE BLACK COUNTRY

WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE:

8-12th July 2024

HARVINGTON HALL: SUNDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER MASS 3PM

LUCKY SQUARE:

Proceeds to Church Restoration Fund, 3 cash prizes, if you wish to join, please see Tracey. Thank you for your support of our Parish.

FR MICHAEL'S PERSONAL WEBSITE:

www.frmichaelvaughan.com

HARVINGTON HALL:

SUNDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER MASS AT 3PM IN HONOUR OF THE ENGLISH MARTYRS: ST MARY'S THE MOUNT HAVE OFFERED TO LET US SHARE THEIR COACH. PLEASE SEE FORM ON NOTICEBOARD.

SCHOOL MAY PROCESSION: FRIDAY 24TH MAY - PROCESSION BEGINS AT SCHOOL VIA MANOR HOUSE ROAD - CHURCH AT 2PM

PARISH NEWS:

Offertory: £320.94 (Week)

Attendance: 45 + 83 = 128

Standing Orders: (MONTHLY): £710 (MAR) Thank you for your continued generosity.

Diocese Retiring Collection Next Week for Catholic Communications

SIMPLE ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AND CONFESSIONS BETWEEN 9.15AM AND 9.45AM TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, AND THURSDAY, WITH LATIN ADORATION, AND CONFESSION, AND BENEDICTION AS NORMAL ON A FRIDAY 9AM-9.45AM.



CREAM TEAS:

SAT 18TH MAY 2PM IN PARISH HALL. ADULTS: £4 CHILDREN: FREE DONATIONS OF SCONES, JAM, CREAM AND CAKES PLEASE WILL BE GRATEFULLY RECEIVED.

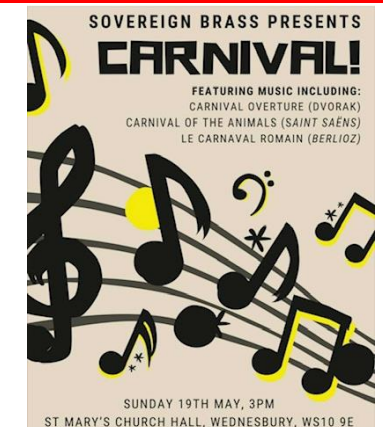
ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM

PRAYERFUL CONGRATULATIONS TO MGR TIMOTHY MENZIES, DEAN OF ST CHAD'S CATHEDRAL, AND CANON RICHARD WALKER, VICAR GENERAL WHO HAVE BEEN APPOINTED BY POPE FRANCIS TO BE NEW AUXILIARY BISHOPS FOR OUR ARCHDIOCESE. PLEASE KEEP THEM BOTH IN YOUR PRAYERS.

SVP and CAFOD PARISH BULLETIN

NOTICE:

A YEAR OF ENCOUNTER WITH A UK GENERAL ELECTION DUE SOMETIME THIS YEAR, POLITICIANS WILL BE LOOKING FOR VOTES. WE HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY AS CATHOLICS TO MAKE SURE THAT PARTIES COMMIT TO TACKLING ISSUES SUCH AS POVERTY AND INJUSTICE. RAISING OUR VOICES AND CONTACTING PARLIAMENTARY CANDIDATES AS A PARISH COMMUNITY WILL SEND A STRONG SIGNAL TO THOSE STANDING FOR ELECTION IN OUR LOCAL CONSTITUENCIES. A YEAR OF ENCOUNTER IS A JOINT INITIATIVE BETWEEN CAFOD AND ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY (SVP), EQUIPPING CATHOLICS TO ASK KEY QUESTIONS OF LOCAL CANDIDATES AT THE KEY MOMENTS. PLEASE SEE cafod.org.uk/encounter FOR MORE INFORMATION, INCLUDING ONLINE SESSION ON SATURDAY 4TH MAY TO LEARN MORE.



SUNDAY 19TH MAY - PARISH HALL TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED ONLINE AT TICKETSOURCE.CO.UK/SOVEREIGNBRASS, OR ON THE DAY (CASH ONLY) DOORS OPEN AT 2.30PM. CONCERT 3PM - 1HR WITHOUT INTERVAL. ADULTS £7 16-25 £5 U16 FREE. TICKETS INC COMPLIMENTARY DRINK.