

Parish Lottery Winners

Saturday 17th February 2024 Week No 12 Bonus Ball: 43 Thunder Ball: 05
 £150 will be divided between: M Greavy, B O'Neill, M Healy, T Barrett (each receive £37.50) There was no winner of the Thunder Ball. Amount to be won next week £450.

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Centre

Sunday 25th Feb - Live sport

Premier League Football

Wolves v Sheffield Utd 1.30pm

GAA Football

Galway v Derry 1.45pm

GAA Hurling

Cork v Waterford 3.45pm

Wexford v Clare 5.35pm

Live Music Sunday 25th Feb

Peter Mylett from 4.30pm

Wednesday: Bingo 7.30pm

Thursday: Music Group 7.00pm

The Centre is available for Funeral Wakes, Baptism Celebrations, Charity Events, Weddings, Birthday parties etc. To book contact Melissa, Parish Centre 07434 667695 or 0121 443 2199 follow us on <https://www.facebook.com/ololparishcentre>

Walk with Me Prayer

Lord God, our light and our salvation,
 we praise you for your gifts of life and faith.
 We thank you for the desire
 that you have planted in our hearts,
 our yearning to see your face.
 Help us to meet you in prayer,
 to walk in your ways,
 and to speak to others of our joy
 and consolation in your presence.

Give us faithfulness in this present life
 so that we may come to know
 and praise your beauty,
 will all our brothers and sisters,
 in the life to come.
 We make this prayer through
 Christ our Lord.
 Amen.



Right to Life Support an amendment to reduce our abortion law from 24 weeks to 22 weeks. Babies born prematurely at 22 weeks are thriving and there is a contradiction in our abortion law. Collect a postcard today from the back of church and post it to your MP in support of the amendment.

'Born for This' written by CJM, is a beautiful and moving depiction of the Stations of the Cross through music and drama. It is a wonderful way to prepare for Holy Week. There will be two performances at St Thomas Aquinas School. Wednesday 20th March at 5pm, with 90 children from Lumen Christi Catholic primary schools Thursday 21st March at 7pm, performed together with local secondary schools St John Henry Newman, Bishop Challoner, St Peter's and Archbishop Illsley. This is a free event. There will be a cake sale afterwards to raise funds for students who are going on pilgrimage to Lourdes.

World Day of Prayer Friday 1st March is an international, inter-church organisation led by women which enables us to hear the thoughts of those women from all parts of the world: their hopes, concerns, and prayers. The Christian Women of Palestine are calling us to connect with the land from where Jesus came; where he was born, ministered and died – and from where our faith began and is rooted. Despite living in an area of the world where there is ongoing conflict and the future is uncertain, the women of Palestine are sharing with love a reminder that they are there, and they want to give hope to everyone. The theme of the service 2024 'bear with one another in love' seems very appropriate for these women who will not give up witnessing the love of Jesus Christ.



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 Sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary: Sr Clarissa, Sr Sebastian

Second Sunday of Lent - 25th February 2024

Masses this Week

Sat 24th Feb	6.00pm	Vigil Mass	Andrew Morgan (Anniv) Bridie Maher (1st Anniv) Dan Kelly (10th Anniv) Helen Emmett (Anniv)
Sun 25th Feb	9.00am	Second Sunday of Lent	Nuala Cleaver RIP Dan Healy Ints Anthony Fennessy RIP
	11.00am		Helen Wallace RIP (50th Birthday) Owen McGlone RIP (Birthday) PJ Rushe (Anniv)
Mon 26th Feb	9.00am 11.00am		People of the Parish Requiem: Sheila Peyton
Tue 27th Feb	9.00am		Harry Trimble RIP Ita Walsh (Anniv)
Wed 28th Feb	9.00am		Dennis Frohlich RIP
Thu 29th Feb	9.00am 1.00pm		Maria Mink & Paul Kien (Anniv) Requiem: John O'Donovan
Fri 1st Mar	9.00am	Feast of St David Women's World Day of Prayer	Sam Baneham (Anniv)
Sat 2nd Mar	10.00am 6.00pm	Feast of St Chad Vigil Mass	People of the Parish Seamus O'Neill RIP Alice Mullen RIP Thomas Murray RIP Kathleen O'Halloran (L/D) Helen Cullen (L/D)
Sun 3rd Mar	9.00am 11.00am	Third Sunday of Lent	Michael McAvinney (Anniv) Kathleen Stack (L/D) Eileen Hallett RIP John Gorevan (Anniv) Norah Laffoley (Anniv) Owen Griffiths (Anniv) Patrick Hyland RIP (Birthday)

School Mass Thursday at 9.00am.

Confessions Saturday 10.45am - 11.30am and 5.15pm - 5.45pm.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Saturday 10.30am - 11.30am

Stations of the Cross Friday evening at 7.00pm during Lent.

Evening Prayer and Benediction at 5pm next Sunday (3rd) and each Sunday during March.

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Response to Psalm:

I will walk in the presence of the Lord
in the land of the living

Gospel Acclamation:

Glory and praise to you, O Christ!
From the bright cloud the Father's voice was heard:
'This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him.'
Glory and praise to you, O Christ!

Pope's Prayer Intention for March: For the new martyrs

We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.

Retiring Collection this weekend will be taken for CAFOD *Family Fast*. Please use one of the CAFOD envelopes to gift aid your donation.

Retiring Collection next weekend will be for the Maintenance of St Chad's Cathedral.

First Holy Communion Preparation Meeting

Thursday 7th March at 6.30pm.

First Confession Saturday 9th March at 11.00am. Please pray for the children and their families.

Sacrament of Baptism We welcome into God's family **Arabella Joy McConkey** who was Baptised at Our Lady of Lourdes recently.

Next Baptism Preparation Meeting Tuesday 5th March at 7.30pm in the church. Parents and Godparents are asked to attend.

Offerings for December

Offertory Collection £4993.31 of which £1984.71 is Gift Aid. **Standing Orders** £2141.50 of which £2037.50 is Gift Aid.

Offerings for January

Offertory Collection £3985.89 of which £1040.60 is Gift Aid. **Standing Orders** £2590.50 of which £2514.50 is Gift Aid.

Quiz Night in aid of Christian Aid - Middle East Crisis

This Friday 1st March at 8.30pm in the Parish Centre. All welcome.

Palm Sunday Sponsored Walk Sunday 24th March after the 9.00am Mass (or at a time of your convenience) Sponsor forms will be available next weekend or from the presbytery during the week. Walk for a charity of your own choice.

Archdiocese of Birmingham for all the latest news and events go to the Diocesan website www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk

Job Vacancy Lay Chaplain at Bishop Challoner Catholic College. For details go to www.bishopchalloner.bham.sch.uk/vacancies closing date Friday 8th March 12pm.

The Catholic Post Please take a free copy of the March edition from the church porch.

SVP

Meeting this Monday (26th) at 7.00pm in the Parish Meeting Room.
Contact number 07949854349.
Easter Raffle The SVP will be selling raffle tickets at all weekend Masses during Lent. 1st prize chocolate hamper and various runners up prizes. Tickets £1 per strip. The draw will take place Easter weekend. Thank you to everyone for your continued support.

Congratulations to
Jean & Elizabeth Vanden Bossche
who celebrate their 50th Wedding
Anniversary on Wednesday

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Marie Sullivan and Lorraine Freeman. They can be contacted at: sg.ourladyoflourdes.bham@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.

Pray for the sick - Margaret Barron, Pat Berns, Eddie Byrne, Rita Carroll, Giovanna Casserley, Isabelle Chester, Pat Clarke, Jennifer Cox, Ann Desmond, Bridget Doherty, Owen Dolan, Josie Douglas, Michael Doyle, Owen Dunne, Amber Durrant, Noah Edwards, Philomena Egan, Tom Finnerty, Margaret Flavin, Mary Fleming, Patricia Freeman, Christopher Geraghty, Mary Gilligan, Chloe Glendall, Bryan Grogan, Carmel Haines, Martina Hand, Patrick Harte, Dan Healy, Baby Heyaan Heath, Finbar Herron, Anne Holland, Ray Holton, Norman Hubbleday, Jason Hughes, Marie Hume, Michael Kilgallen, Brian Kirk, Barbara Kopieczek, Maureen Maloney, Adrian Mannion, Mary Mazurkiewicz, Eugene McCarthy, Helena McCaughey, Gemma McGeown, Francis McGillion, Pat McGlone, Kathleen McHale, John McNicholas, Danny Mulholland, James Murphy, John Murphy, Denis Murray, Michael Noga, Siobhan O'Connell, Patricia O'Donnell, Margaret O'Grady, Baby John Thomas O'Neill, Mary Pender, John Quinn, John Shryane, Ian Smith, Simon Spillane, Mary Spratt, Julie Swinscoe, Nadine Terry, Vincent Tierney, Baby Daisy Williams

Lately Dead:

Sheila Peyton (Barrows Road) Requiem Monday 26th February at 11.00am
John O'Donovan - Requiem Thursday 29th February at 1.00pm Reception Wed 28th at 6.00pm
Catherine Philomena Moran - Requiem Wed 6th March at 11.00am, Reception Tue 5th at 6.30pm
Thomas O'Connor (Windemere Road) Requiem Friday 8th March at 10.30am Reception 7th at 7.00pm
Catherine Hannon (Lea Green Lane) Requiem Wednesday 13th March at 10.00am
Mary (Ria) Finglas (Denaby Grove) Requiem Monday 18th March at 12.00noon
Bridget Caffrey (Northlands Road)

Anniversaries: 25th Feb - 2nd Mar 2014 - to date: Patricia Rees, Patrick Kennedy, Kelly Marie Jarvis, Ellen Slattery, Bridie Maher, Christine Dunphy, Nora Jones, Kathleen Overton, Ann Preston, Nancy Gormley, Sheila Windle, Nora Laffoley, Rose McGillon, Michael Glennon, Carol Szwaba, Bridget O'Shea, Marjorie Kane

Readers	Weekend 25th February	Weekend 3rd March
6.00pm	T Bradley	G Evans, E Flaherty, E Evans
9.00am	G McCann, M O'Connor, T Martin	T Oxley, J Oxley
11.00am	W Ferreira, E Healy, H Healy	E Keating, R Wood
Ministers 6pm	P Keane, Y Brennan	P Keane, Sr Clarissa
9.00am	D Ryan, L Freeman, P Freeman	P Fitzpatrick, A Hunt, T Kenna
11.00am	Sr Clarissa, E Keating, J Duggan	Sr Clarissa, P Stephens, R Flanagan
Minibus Driver	P Carbery, A Carbery	F Stephenson, B Timmons
Counting	M Hannon, A Hannon	P Fitzpatrick, P Fitzpatrick
Church Cleaning	Saturday 9th March 8.30am	Thursday 21st March 9.30am
	Team A: S McGrath, P&C McDonald, A Treacy, C Hayden, E Sullivan	Team B: A Parker, K Watt, P Oldacres, C Chinn, J Gallon, E McBride

Webcam - Live Streaming www.ourladyoflourdesbirmingham.co.uk click on 'Watch Church Webcam' this will take you straight to the page or go to **MCN Media**, click on England, then West Midlands then Our Lady of Lourdes, Yardley Wood