

Parish Lottery Winners

Saturday 1st March 2025 Week No 13 Bonus Ball: 53 Thunder Ball: 01
 Winners of the Bonus Ball: P Hetherington, B Woods, B O'Neill (each receive £25)
 P Hetherington was the winner of the Thunder Ball and wins £100 plus their share of the Bonus Ball. Amount to be won next week £50.

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Centre

Saturday 8th March GAA Hurling: Limerick v Galway 7.30pm

Sunday 9th March Live Football

Spurs v Bournemouth 2.00pm Man Utd v Arsenal 4.30pm

GAA Hurling: Kilkenny v Galway 1.15pm Clare v Cork 3.15pm

Live Music 'Irene & Tom'

Wednesday: Bingo 7.30pm

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

Friday 14th March Gold Cup Day - Open from 12 noon (contact Melissa to reserve a table) **Live Music on the evening 'Murial O'Connor & Fran Curry'** (Tickets for evening £8 or £10 on the door)

Sunday 16th March Live Music 'Little Jimmy' from 2.00pm

St Patrick's Day Live Music 'Peter Collins' from 8.00pm (Tickets £5)



Marriage Care the national charity specialising in relationship skills, is recruiting volunteers to join our team as Marriage Preparation Course Facilitators. For more info visit the Marriage Care website or email Teresa at Birmingham Centre (birmingham.admin@marriagecare.org)

Caritas Social Action Network is conducting a survey to understand the impact of the two-child benefit cap and the current economic climate on Catholic families in England and Wales. Please share your experience by completing the survey, which can be accessed at csan.org.uk/news/familysurvey where you will also find further information about the survey. The survey will close on 25th March.

Year of Jubilee Day Pilgrimage to Walsingham Saturday 10th May for further info see noticeboard.
Archdiocese of Birmingham For all the latest news and events go to www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk

Jubilee Year Prayer

Father in heaven,
 may the faith you have given us
 in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,
 and the flame of charity enkindled
 in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,
 reawaken in us the blessed hope
 for the coming of your Kingdom.
 May your grace transform us
 into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the
 Gospel. May those seeds transform from
 within both humanity and the whole cosmos

in the sure expectation
 of a new heaven and a new earth,
 when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,
 your glory will shine eternally.
 May the grace of the Jubilee
 reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope,
 a yearning for the treasures of heaven.
 May that same grace spread
 the joy and peace of our Redeemer
 throughout the earth.
 To you our God, eternally blessed,
 be glory and praise for ever.
 Amen



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

First Sunday of Lent 9th March 2025



Masses this Week

Sat 8th Mar	6.00pm	Vigil Mass	William & Maura Coniry (Anniv) Derek Heeley (Anniv) Mary Doody (Anniv) Pat Roache Owen Grant (Anniv) McKenna family Intentions Private Intention Special Intention (CK)
Sun 9th Mar	9.00am	First Sunday of Lent	Helen McCaughey (L/D) Andy & Bridie Henry RIP Jim McLaughlin (Anniv)
	11.30am		Renato Antoniazzi (Anniv) Liam Dillon (Anniv) Bernie Wren (Anniv) & Jim Wren (L/D) Martin McTiernan RIP
Mon 10th Mar	9.00am		People of the Parish
Tue 11th Mar	9.00am		Mrs Walsh Intentions
Wed 12th Mar	9.00am		Matt Murray RIP
Thu 13th Mar	9.00am 10.30am		Mary Doody RIP Requiem: Thomas Bowler
Fri 14th Mar	9.00am		Margaret O'Gara-Barron RIP
Sat 15th Mar	10.00am		Special Intention (FB)
	6.00pm	Vigil Mass	Gerry Stokes RIP Bridie & Mary Maher (Anniv) Sally Riley (Anniv) Bill Looney (Anniv) Margaret Kelly RIP (Birthday)
Sun 16th Mar	9.00am	Second Sunday of Lent	Johnie & Bridie Green RIP Noreen McCool (Anniv) Liam O'Brien RIP (Birthday) Liam Collins (Anniv) & Gary Collins RIP
	11.30am		Margaret, James & Francis Gargan RIP Patricia Owens (Anniv) Keith Jones (L/D) Michael Creaton (50th Anniv)

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.

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Response to the Psalm:

Be with me, O Lord, in my distress.

Rite of Election Adults preparing to be baptised and received into the Catholic Church during the Easter Vigil gather this afternoon at St Chad's Cathedral for the ceremony of Rite of Election. Please pray for all candidates and especially those from our parish who will be received into the Church this Easter.

CAFOD Family Fast Day Friday 14th March. This Lent let us do what we can to help families experiencing poverty and exclusion. Pope Francis asks us in this Jubilee Year to care for our sisters and brothers facing hardship. **There will be a retiring collection next weekend - the proceeds of family fast.** Please take one of the special CAFOD envelopes from the back of church. If you are able to Gift Aid your donation please fill out the form provided and place it in the envelope with your donation.

Richard Kinzett, parish CAFOD coordinator has produced a recipe for vegetable Lasagne, which would be an ideal meal for Friday's during Lent. Copies are available if you wish to take one and make a donation to CAFOD family fast day appeal.

Congratulations to the children who made their first Confession yesterday. Please continue to pray for them, and their families, as they continue preparation for their first Holy Communion in June.

Dementia Prayer Week 12 -19 March with the aim to raise awareness and a deeper understanding of the spiritual needs of people living with dementia.

Walk With Me booklets A Journey of Prayer for Lent available at the church porch. Please take a copy. You may like to take one for someone who is unable to attend church. Calendars are also available for the children.

Next Baptism Preparation Meeting

Tuesday 1st April at 7.00pm in the church. Parents and Godparents are asked to attend.

Gospel Acclamation:

Glory and praise to you, O Christ.
One does not live on bread alone,
but by every word that comes forth from the
mouth of God.
Glory and praise to you, O Christ.

Sacrament of Baptism We welcome into God's family **Elsie Mary Smith** who was Baptised at Our Lady of Lourdes recently. **Retiring Collection** last weekend taken for Maintenance of St Chad's Cathedral came to £361.58. Thank you.

Bible Alive Lent edition including daily reflections cost £3.00. Available from the church porch.

Catholic Herald Magazine March edition now available cost £5.

SVP Raffle The parish SVP group are holding an Easter Draw with many prizes. Tickets will be available throughout Lent. Proceeds will go to helping those most in need.

St Patrick's Day Coffee Morning at Our Lady of Lourdes School after 9.00am Mass Monday 17th March. Parishioners are very welcome to attend for a cup of tea and some Irish treats (we would ask for a small donation to our Lenten charity fundraising for CAFOD from those attending). There will be Irish music and Irish Dancing. Lá fhéile Pádraig sona dhaoibh!

Praying for Pope Francis

As the Holy Father remains in hospital we keep him close in prayer.

*Almighty and Eternal God,
you are the everlasting health of
those who believe in you.
Hear our prayers for your sick servant
Francis for whom we implore the aid of
your tender mercy,
through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

**Our Lady of Lourdes, Health
of the Sick, pray for him.**



Pray for the sick - Eddie Byrne, Giovanna Casserley, Isabelle Chester, Pat Clarke, Ann Desmond, Bridget Doherty, Owen Dolan, Ann Douglas, Michael Doyle, Amber Durrant, Tom Finnerty, Mary Fleming, Sylvia Ford, Patricia Freeman, Christopher Geraghty, Chloe Glendall, Bryan Grogan, Carmel Haines, Martina Hand, Patrick Harte, Helen Hayden, Dan Healy, Baby Heyaan Heath, Finbar Herron, Anne Holland, Ray Holton, Norman Huddleday, Jason Hughes, Marie Hume, Michael Kilgallen, Brian Kirk, Barbara Kopieczek, Maureen Maloney, Mary Mazurkiewicz, Eugene McCarthy, Dolly McCaul, Gemma McGeown, Francis McGillion, Pat McGlone, Kathleen McHale, John McNicholas, Danny Mulholland, James Murphy, John Murphy, Denis Murray, Michael Noga, Siobhan O'Connell, Aidan O'Donnell, Patricia O'Donnell, Margaret O'Grady, Baby John Thomas O'Neill, Mary Pender, John Quinn, Baby Aine Scanlon, John Shryane, Simon Spillane, Julie Swinscoe, Nadine Terry, David Thorpe, Vincent Tierney, Andrew Walford, Mona Whitehouse, Baby Daisy Williams

Lately Dead:

Thomas Bowler (Iris Drive) Requiem Mass Thursday 13th March at 10.30am

Rita Carroll (Albion Court Care Home - formerly of The Centre Way) Requiem Mass Thursday 20th March at 11.00am. Reception Wednesday 19th at 6.00pm

John Ward Requiem Mass Wednesday 9th April at 10.00am

Dermot Tiernan (Primrose Lane) **Valerie Spencer**

Fr Dominic Innamorati retired priest of Sacred Heart Fathers



Anniversaries: 9th Mar - 15th Mar (2015 - to date) Baby Damian McNeish, Daisy Smith, Bridie McCormack, Ronato Antoniazzi, Veronica Henry, Pauline Miller, Bridget & Patrick McLoughlin, Carol Waldron, Thomas Steede, Carol Fisher, Jimmy O'Neill, John Burke, Noreen McCool

Readers	Weekend 9th March	Weekend 16th March
6.00pm	J Silvey, M Moran	L Mockler, Y Brennan
9.00am	C McCann, B Martin	Z Parker, A Carbery
11.30am	E Keating, R Wood	P Stephens, S Harkin
Ministers 6pm	P Keane, L Mockler	P Keane, M Moran
9.00am	A Hunt, T Kenna, D Macaulay	P Freeman, L Freeman, D Ryan
11.30am	Sr Clarissa, B Wood, K Price	Sr Clarissa, E Keating, J Duggan
Minibus Driver	F Stephenson, B Timmons	M Cunningham, J Cunningham
Counting	M Hannon, A Hannon	P Fitzpatrick, P Fitzpatrick
Church Cleaning	Thursday 20th March 9.30am	Wednesday 26th March 9.30am
	Team B: A Parker, K Watt, P Oldacres, C Chinn, J Gallon, E McBride	Team C: J Cunningham, F Rotherham, M Nguyen, A Healy, F Garcia

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.

This church live streams Mass and other events. Please see notices in church for more details.

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

