

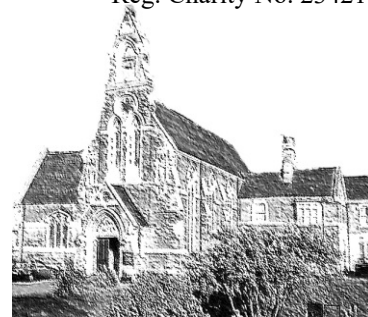


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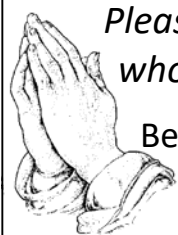


Sunday 3rd March 2019

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year C

Today we pray for...

Saturday 2 nd	12.30pm	People of SH and SJ parishes – <i>Mass at Sacred Heart Church</i>
	6.00pm	Janet Brennan – <i>Mass at St. Joseph's Church</i>
Sunday 3 rd	10.00am	Bill Lawton – <i>Mass at Sacred Heart Church</i>
Monday 4 th	9.30am	Ann Walsh – <i>Mass at St. Joseph's Church</i>
Tuesday 5 th	<i>No Mass</i>	
Wednesday 6 th	10.00am	Derek Davis – <i>Mass at Sacred Heart Church (with School)</i>
ASH WEDNESDAY	1.30pm	Rita Rogers – <i>Mass at St. Joseph's School</i>
	7.30pm	Gerry Sommers – <i>Mass at Sacred Heart Church</i>
Thursday 7 th	10.00am	Holy Souls – <i>Mass at Sacred Heart Church</i>
Friday 8 th	9.30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament – <i>at Sacred Heart Church</i>
	10.00am	Francis Golding – <i>Mass at Sacred Heart Church</i>
	11.45am	Eucharistic Service - <i>at St. Joseph's Church</i>
Saturday 9 th	12.30pm	Kitty McManus – <i>Mass at Sacred Heart Church</i>
	6.00pm	Derek Smith – <i>Mass at St. Joseph's Church</i>
Sunday 10 th	10.00am	People of the Parish – <i>Mass at Sacred Heart Church</i>



Please remember in your prayers those who are sick in our Parish, especially...

Bethany Kerr, Rose McLoughlin, Shirley Davis, Diane Donaghue, Violet, Frank Lowry and James McLaughlin.

Parish Groups

Wed 12pm AA Group

Fri 12.15 'Come as you are' Prayer Group

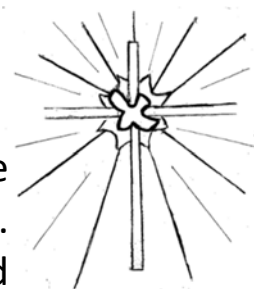
7pm Church Cleaning (*Last Friday of month*)

Daily Exposition at Sacred Heart

In these days of political and economic uncertainty, it is important that all Catholics are praying for our country. Come to pray before the Blessed Sacrament any time between 10am – 5pm usually in the undercroft, or between 8pm – midnight usually in the Presbytery, 85 Prestbury Road.

Come as You Are Praise and Worship Prayer Meeting 12.15pm

Meets every Friday in the Community Room at St. Joseph's church, followed by soup and bread. The meeting is preceded by a Eucharistic Service in the community room at 11.45am. Everyone is most welcome to attend.



Weekly Collection

The collections for last weekend were:

First - £75.93

Gift Aid - £19.00

TOTAL - £94.93

This weekend there is a second Collection for the Society of St. Columban

Second Saturday Convention

Every 2nd Saturday of the month from 8am - 4pm at Bethel Convention Centre, West Bromwich, B70 7JW

Lourdes Pilgrimage

The Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will be taking place again this May. If there is anyone who is sick who would like to go on the pilgrimage, there may be some funding to help towards it. Please ask Fr. Stephen.

Lent Retreat

Walking Together with Jesus You commit to 15-30 minutes prayer time a day using on-line resources, and a weekly group meeting. The local meeting will take place at St. Joseph's Presbytery on Mondays at 7.30 pm. The first meeting to get started will be on Monday 4th March. Contact Ann Kelly at a.m_kelly@btinternet.com or 07890 066 309 or go to www.pathwaystogod.org

The Kingdom Warriors

meet on Tuesdays at 6.30pm at St. Vincent's Church, Nechells Parkway. This a group for young adults (18+)

Lent

Lent begins this week. It is a time for careful preparation to make your confession and renew your baptismal promises at Easter. The focus is on the Easter Ceremonies on Holy Saturday night when the catechumens will be baptised. Make a special Lent rule this year for fasting, prayer, almsgiving and if possible attendance at weekday Masses and exposition.

Stations of the Cross

LENT STATIONS OF THE CROSS will take place following straight on from the Sunday Mass at Sacred Heart and at 5.30 pm before the Saturday Mass at St. Joseph's.

As you will be aware, Brexit is causing uncertainty and concern to many EU citizens living in the UK. Both clergy and laity alike share this uncertainty and concern. Apart from those who are uncertain about their future, others are inevitably unaware that Brexit will affect their immigration status. In March 2019, the Government is due to launch a Settlement Scheme. All EU citizens living in the UK will be required to make an application if they wish to remain here after Brexit. However, Irish citizens will not be required to apply as their rights are separately protected. Many parishioners, priests and religious in our Diocese will be affected.

RCIA

The RCIA group meets on Thursdays at 6.30pm in the Presbytery at Sacred Heart. You are welcome to join in even if you are already a Catholic. It is good for all of us to do so every few years.

The 2019 MISSION APPEAL

is this weekend for the Society of St. Columban which is an organisation working in 15 countries with a special commitment to Asia and Latin America. The primary aim of the Columbans is inculturation of the Gospel in Cross Cultural environments. They engage in reconciliation, dialogue and building relationships between peoples of different faiths, cultures and ideologies. Columban evangelisation missionary work includes outreach to poor and marginalized peoples, building bridges between faiths and cultures and supporting emerging local churches. At the heart of their work is the call to help people become fully human, to help establish a world of peace with justice and care for the integrity of creation in solidarity with the poor. The appeal will be conducted by Fr. Gerry Markey SSC who has worked on Missions in the Philippines, the Mexican border and latterly in Chile

40 Days for Life starts again on Ash Wednesday 6th March. The Kick-off event will be on Sunday 3rd March. Bishop John Keanan will be speaking on 'Abortion – The Need for Public Witness' and Pastor Darnell Starks will be sharing his moving personal testimony. Join us at the 40 Days for Life Kick-off event on Sunday 3rd March at 2.00pm, Birmingham Oratory, 141 Hagley Road, B16 8UE.

Birmingham Faith Leaders

The Birmingham Faith Leaders Group has organised an Event under the title Restoring a Just and Compassionate City on Monday 11 March 2019 from 6-9pm at Birmingham Progressive Synagogue, 1 Roseland Way, (off Bishopsgate Street) B15 1HD. Pre-booking essential by 8th March jonathangurling@yahoo.co.uk or phone 07980 127628.

Parish Census

Following the new Data Protection Act we need to renew our parish data. If you had a form last week, I hope you have remembered to bring it back. If you didn't get one, please make sure you take one. This is important. Thanks.

Tabor House

Tabor House, Birmingham's only permanent night shelter, is looking for volunteers to help, especially overnight and mentors. If you are interested in finding out more why not come along to their Open evening on Wednesday 20th March 2019 6pm - 8pm at St Anne's Training Room, 96 Bradford Street, Birmingham, B12 0PY. please contact Sharon McCall: 07387 418319 for further information.