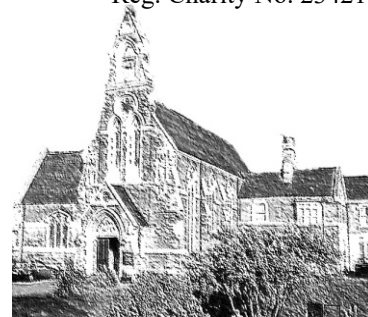




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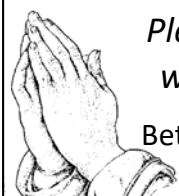
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**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2019**  
*Third Sunday of Lent – Year C*

## Today we pray for...

Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	12.30pm	Ken Levell – <i>Mass at Sacred Heart Church</i>
	<b>6.00pm</b>	<b>People of the Parish – <i>Mass at St. Joseph's Church</i></b>
Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Sandra – <i>Mass at Sacred Heart Church</i>
	<b>1.00pm</b>	<b>Baptism – <i>at St. Joseph's Church</i></b>
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>Henry Nolan – <i>Mass at St. Joseph's School</i></b>
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup>	<i>No Mass</i>	
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup>	<i>No Mass</i>	
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup>	9.10am	Eddie Dalton – <i>Mass at Sacred Heart Church</i>
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament – <i>at Sacred Heart Church</i>
	10.00am	Andrew Dobbs – <i>Mass at Sacred Heart Church</i>
	<b>11.45am</b>	<b>Eucharistic Service - <i>at St. Joseph's Church</i></b>
Saturday 30 <sup>th</sup>	12.30pm	People of the Parish – <i>Mass at Sacred Heart Church</i>
	<b>6.00pm</b>	<b>Dailia's special intention – <i>Mass at St. Joseph's Church</i></b>
Sunday 31 <sup>st</sup>	10.00am	Madge & Thomas Moore – <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

### 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 in the Presbytery, 85 Prestbury Road.

Lent 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.

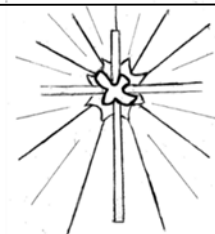
### The Kingdom Warriors

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

### 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 - £80.39  
 Gift Aid - £4.00  
**TOTAL - £84.39**

Second Collection for CAFOD - £62.32

### Lent Stations of the Cross

takes place straight after Sunday Mass at Sacred Heart and at 5.30pm before Saturday Mass at St. Joseph's.

### Second Saturday Convention

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

### The Sower

Copies of The Sower are available free. Please take one. There are at least two articles in it of particular interest

<p><b>40 Days for Life</b> started again on Ash Wednesday. Please keep it in your prayers and if you can help go to <a href="https://40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/birmingham-2/">https://40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/birmingham-2/</a></p>	<p><b>Feast Days</b> The Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord is on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March. Mass will be in St. Joseph's school at 9.30am on this day. All welcome at this Mass which celebrates the beginning of our salvation.</p>
<p><b>The March for Life</b> this year is on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May in London. Coaches will be going from Birmingham and we need to book our places on them asap. Can we get a group going from our parishes this year? It is a wonderful day on which we are able to stand shoulder to shoulder with thousands of others proclaiming LIFE is from conception. See <a href="http://marchforlife.co.uk">marchforlife.co.uk</a></p>	<p><b>Vacancy</b> Senior Administrative Assistant/PA to the Vicar General. The Diocese is seeking applications for this post. See notice on board. Closing date for applications is noon on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March.</p>
<p><b>Walsingham Diocesan Pilgrimage</b> takes place on 11th May. Would anyone, especially servers like to go on this pilgrimage? Coaches going from Birmingham. See Fr. Stephen if interested.</p>	<p><b>Nechells Methodist Church</b> You are invited to join us on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March at Nechells Methodist Church to share an anniversary celebration. There will be a Tea at 3pm followed by a Service at 5pm.</p>
<p>The annual Diocesan Novena of Prayer for the Cause of Canonisation of Blessed Dominic Barberi started on Wednesday March 20<sup>th</sup> and concludes on Friday March 29. His Grace requests that we say this prayer: O God, who so lovingly raised Blessed Dominic to the heights of holiness, learning and apostolic zeal and made him a powerful minister of your mercy, listen to our humble request. We pray that you will, in your goodness, grant a miracle through the intercession of Blessed Dominic, so that the Church may further honour him on earth and that many more people will come to know and to invoke the help of this faithful servant of the Church. This we ask through Christ Our Lord. Amen. Mary, Mother of Holy Hope: pray for us. Blessed Dominic Barberi: pray for us. Blessed John Henry Newman: pray for us.</p>	<p><b>Click to Pray</b> is the Pope's new app. Go and download it, it may help you to pray. Also Catholic Mega App is a gateway to lots of Catholic resources on the internet.</p>
<p><b>Lent Retreat</b> 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. Contact Ann Kelly at <a href="mailto:a.m_kelly@btinternet.com">a.m_kelly@btinternet.com</a> or 07890 066 309 or go to <a href="http://www.pathwaystogod.org">www.pathwaystogod.org</a></p>	<p><b>RCIA</b> 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.</p>
<p>As you will be aware, Brexit is causing uncertainty and concern to many EU citizens living in the UK. 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.</p>	<p><b>Parish Census</b> 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.</p>
<p><b>Tabor House</b> Tabor House, Birmingham's only permanent night shelter, is looking for volunteers to help. If you are interested in finding out more why not go along to an Open evening on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2019 6pm - 8pm at St Anne's Training Room, 96 Bradford Street, Birmingham, B12 0PY. Please contact Sharon McCall: 07387 418319</p>	<p><b>First Fridays for Faith</b> The next meeting is on 5th April. We shall watch the film "The Passion of Christ" to help prepare us for celebrating Our Lord's passion in Holy Week. It will start promptly at 6.30pm (not 7.30pm) so that we can finish by 8.45pm. You need to be 15 or older to watch it.</p>
	<p><b>Lourdes Pilgrimage</b> The Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will be taking place in May. If anyone who is sick who would like to go, please ask Fr. Stephen.</p>