



ST MARY'S CATHOLIC PARISH BREWOOD

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28th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 12 th October	4.30 – 4.45pm 5.00pm	Confessions Sunday Vigil Mass	People of the parish
Sunday 13 th October	9.00am 11.00am	Sunday Mass (in Penkridge) Sunday Mass	Michael McMannus RIP Tommy Jacob Improvement to health
Monday 14th Feria	9.00am	Holy Mass	Lily Welch RIP
Tuesday 15th St Theresa of Avila	9.00am	Holy Mass	Paul Harrington
Wednesday 16th St Margaret Alacoque	9.00am	Holy Mass	Thomas McGuinness
Thursday 17th St Ignatius of Antioch		No Mass	
Friday 18th St Luke the Evangelist	9.15am	Holy Mass (with Primary School)	Dympna Dwyer SI

29th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 19 th October	4.30 – 4.45pm 5.00pm	Confessions Sunday Vigil Mass	Irene Lowe RIP
Sunday 20 th October	9.00am 11.00am	Sunday Mass (in Penkridge) Sunday Mass	Winifred & Martin Garry RIP People of the Parish

Please join us for refreshments in the Hall after the 11am Sunday Mass

The Sacrament of Confession is celebrated every Saturday 4.30-4.45pm or after each weekday Mass or by appointment.

Deanery Visitation

Archbishop Bernard and Bishop Timothy will be visiting each of the parishes across our deanery beginning this month through to June 2025. **I am now pleased to say that the Archbishop himself will be visiting our parish on the weekend of 16th/17th November.** This will be an opportunity for him to get to know our parish as well as for him to meet us and for you to meet him. He will join us for all the weekend Masses and, once I know more, I will be let you know. To find out more about the deanery visitations please come to the **Opening Meeting on 16th October at St Joseph's Wolverhampton (Willenhall Road, WV1 2QN) at 7.00 pm.** The evening will follow from Evening Prayer (Vespers) in the church.

A belated 'thank you' to the parishioners who have helped to cater for the chant workshop that we hosted two weeks ago. I know all our visitors felt your warm welcome!

The Second Collection next weekend (19th/20th) will be for MISSIO, formally known as APF. MISSIO is the Catholic Church's official charity for overseas mission. Funds which are collected this weekend as well as by the means of your Red Mission Boxes go directly to support priests and parishes in the poorest parts of the world.

100 CLUB – There will be a draw after the 11am Mass in the Hall. Now is also the time for new members to join. If you're not a member yet or would like to purchase additional numbers please take the Club Membership and the Standing Order Forms from the church or our website. Each person can purchase one or more numbers, each costing £25 a year. Each of these numbers will participate in a draw 4 times a year. Each draw will have 3 prizes: 1st - £100, 2nd - £75 and 3rd - £50. Please return the completed Membership Forms by dropping them off to the presbytery or emailing them to Sam Wright. Please take the Standing Order form to your bank. If however paying by standing order is an issue, please speak to or email Sam Wright at samluke201294@gmail.com.

New Altar Cloth – You might have noticed we had a new altar cloth made for our 'Sunday' altar to replace the old stained one. It also goes all the way to the floor as it should. Whilst these things cost

money, it's important we give our best to the very place the Sacrifice of the Mass is celebrated.

Prisoners' Sunday – This Sunday we reflect on about how we, as individuals and the Church, are serving those affected by imprisonment. Prisoners and their families often find themselves on the margins of our society. Yet Jesus challenges us with His words: "I was in prison and you came to me". Today please pray especially for those in HMP Brinsford and Oakwood, where Fr Tomas visits. There are also envelopes at the back of the church that you may take if you wish to contribute to PACT, a charity that supports prisoners and their families. More information at www.prisonadvice.org.uk.

MONTH OF NOVEMBER

Since November will soon be upon us, here are some dates:

All Saints' Day: Friday 1st November – This is a Holy Day of Obligation and there will be two Masses at St Mary's: 9.15am and 6.30pm.

All Souls Day: Saturday 2nd November at 12noon – A Mass for the Holy Souls will be celebrated after the morning Mass at HMP Brinsford.

Blessing of the Graves – Following the 11am Remembrance Sunday Mass (10th November) there will be a short service with blessing of graves at St Mary's churchyard.

Mass for the Bereaved: Friday 22nd November at 6.30pm – This Mass will be offered for those in our November Remembrance Book and also for those whose funerals have been celebrated in our church over the past year. Last year we had a very poor attendance but, instead of cancelling it, I want to encourage you to come this year. This is an important opportunity to pray for our past parishioners as well to support those suffering from bereavement. Please also invite anyone who may find comfort and strength from this Mass.

PLEASE NOTE

If you are going into hospital, please contact Fr Tomas in order to receive the sacrament of the Sick before you go. When you are

admitted to the hospital, you will have to explicitly ask for the catholic chaplain to be informed you are there.

If you know of a parishioner with a serious/long-term illness or who is dying, please let Fr Tomas know so that he can get in touch and arrange a visit.

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Interested in being Catholic? – If you are thinking of becoming a Catholic or know of someone who is please speak to Fr Tomas. We would be glad to accompany you on your journey of faith.

Please also pray for the sick, especially Philip Harding, Clive Baker, Jean Ellson, Susan McLuckie, Mary Stokes, Frank Birch, Deacon Stephen Gee, Philip & Christine Elson, Bill Baker and Bernard Boyes.

COLLECTION

To be counted next week

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Jan Fergusson. She can be contacted at sg.stmary.brewood@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 or safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.