



# ST MARY'S CATHOLIC PARISH BREWOOD

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## 15<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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| <b>Saturday</b><br>13 <sup>th</sup> July             | 4.30 – 4.45pm<br><b>5.00pm</b>  | Confessions<br><b>Sunday Vigil Mass</b>                    | Irene Lowe RIP                              |
| <b>Sunday</b><br>14 <sup>th</sup> July               | <b>9.00am</b><br><b>11.00am</b> | <b>Sunday Mass</b><br>(in Penkridge)<br><b>Sunday Mass</b> | People of the parish<br>Rosemary Devlin RIP |
| <b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup></b><br>St Bonaventure      | 9.00am                          | <b>Holy Mass</b>   | Margaret Butler RIP                         |
| <b>Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup></b><br>Our Lady Mt Carmel | 9.00am                          | <b>Holy Mass</b>   | Fr Tomas                                    |
| <b>Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup></b><br>Feria            |                                 | No Mass  |   |
| <b>Thursday 18<sup>th</sup></b><br>Feria             | 5.00pm<br>6.00pm                | <u>Adoration and<br/>Benediction</u><br><b>Holy Mass</b>   | Margaret Biddlestone                        |
| <b>Friday 19<sup>th</sup></b><br>Feria               | 9.15am                          | <b>Holy Mass</b><br>(with Primary School)                  | Margaret Butler RIP                         |

## 16<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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| <b>Saturday</b><br>20 <sup>th</sup> July | 4.30 – 4.45pm<br><b>5.00pm</b>  | Confessions<br><b>Sunday Vigil Mass</b>                    | Brigitte Wilcox (return<br>to health)    |
| <b>Sunday</b><br>21 <sup>th</sup> July   | <b>9.00am</b><br><b>11.00am</b> | <b>Sunday Mass</b><br>(in Penkridge)<br><b>Sunday Mass</b> | People of the Parish<br>Philomena Darley |

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

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

**Please pray for priests** – July is normally the season of ordinations in our diocese. This Tuesday, the feast of Our lady of Mount Carmel, is the 8<sup>th</sup> anniversary of my ordination to the priesthood so please keep me in your prayers. Also next Saturday Deacon David Bench will be ordained priest for our Diocese at St Chad's Cathedral and I'm hoping to be there. Please spare a prayer for him too.

**Second Collection: Stella Maris** - This weekend is also called Sea Sunday because the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Without them we would not have most of the items we buy in the shops. Today's Second Collection is for Apostleship of the Sea, also known as Stella Maris (Star of the Sea). The Apostleship of the Sea is Church's official maritime welfare agency. It supports seafarers both practically and spiritually. This collection is vital to enable it to continue its work. More information can be found online [www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk](http://www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk) and there are leaflets available at the back of the church.

**Second Collection Reminder** – We're now doing second collection like we did pre-covid at all Masses – that is after Holy Communion and not at the end of the Mass. Thank you.

**Month of July** – This month is dedicated to the Precious Blood of Jesus which he shed for our salvation. Why not recite this prayer from the Divine Mercy Chaplet after receiving Holy Communion:

*"Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your Dearly Beloved Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, in atonement for my sins and those of the whole world."*

**Altar Servers** – Assisting at Mass in an important service to God and his Church which adds to the outward dignity of our worship at Mass. I really encourage more children and your adults in the parish to get involved in altar serving so please encourage your children in this. A child can start serving after First Holy Communion and Fr Tomas is offer training to any new potential servers on Monday and Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> July 4.30 – 5.30pm. The two dates are there to allow for children who have activities on one of the two dates to be able to attend so please let Fr Tomas know which day you can attend or if there are any issues.

**Happy Holidays** to all the children, parents and teachers. As this the final week of school I'm sure you're all looking forward to your breaks. If going away I hope you will have a wonderful time but don't forget to keep Sunday holy. Have a look where the nearest catholic church is to you are staying or even find a nice church a bit further away and make a nice day trip out of it. Lots of touristy destinations abroad will also have Sunday Mass in English.

**Parish Feast Day** – Please put into your diaries Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> September. The 11am Mass that day will be celebrated as an external solemnity of The Birthday of Our Lady and also as our patronal feast day. Following the solemn Mass we are hoping to organise a parish party / BBQ. More information will follow and I'm hoping as many of you as possible will be able to make that day.

**Remembering Those no Longer Present** – Sometimes people who have faithfully attended Mass and been part of the parish stop coming because they are frail or unwell. Some of these become “lost” and no longer receive the Sacraments. If you know of anyone in the parish in this situation, please can you let Fr Tomas know. We want to make sure we stay in touch with every parishioner unable to be at Mass. Thanks for your help in this respect.

**Mass Intentions** – The Mass is the greatest prayer because it is the perfect offering of Christ to the Father, making present the Paschal Mystery of His death and resurrection. It is a longstanding tradition in the Church that a Priest may be requested to offer a Mass for a specific intention, even if you can't physically be present at that Mass. You can ask for mass to be offered for the Repose of the Soul of the deceased, in thanksgiving, for the sick or any other good intention. If you would like to have a mass offered for your intention, please use one of the mass intention envelopes available at the back of church. It is customary to offer a donation (typically about £10) for the priest who offers mass for your intention. Envelopes can either be handed to the priest or put into the presbytery letterbox.

## OTHER PARISH ITEMS

**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.

**Food Bank** – There is a basket at the back of the church where you can leave non-perishable items that will then be given to The Well, our local Food Bank.

**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.

| <u>Collection</u>                               |                    |                  |
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| <u>Weekend of the 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024</u> |                    |                  |
| <b>Loose:</b>                                   | <b>Brewood</b>     | <b>Penkridge</b> |
|   | <b>£103.40</b>     | <b>£37.60</b>    |
| <b>Gift Aid:</b>                                | <b>£143</b>        |                  |
|   | <b>Total: £284</b> |                  |

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

**Please also pray for those who have died**, especially Pam Edwards.

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