



ST MARY'S CATHOLIC PARISH BREWOOD

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SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST

Saturday 18 th May	4.30 – 4.45pm 5.00pm	Confessions Sunday Vigil Mass	James O'Mara RIP
Sunday 19 th May	9.00am 11.00am	Sunday Mass (in Penkridge) Sunday Mass	Michael Marren RIP People of the parish
Monday 20th Mother of God	9.00am	Holy Mass	Chris Haffner RIP
Tuesday 21st Feria	9.00am	Holy Mass	Fr S Goodman 25 th Jubilee (priesthood)
Wednesday 22nd Feria		No Mass	
Thursday 23rd Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest	5.00pm 6.00pm	<u>Adoration and Benediction</u> Holy Mass	Patrick McCourt RIP
Friday 24th Feria	9.00am	Holy Mass	Etna & Myles Ferrick RIP

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Saturday 25 th May	4.30 – 4.45pm 5.00pm	Confessions Sunday Vigil Mass	John Murphy (successful treatment)
Sunday 26 th May	9.00am 11.00am	Sunday Mass (in Penkridge) Sunday Mass	People of the parish Ray Wright RIP

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

Welcome to Mass on this Solemnity of Pentecost. Pentecost Sunday marks the end of the season of Easter. Yet, through the gift of the Holy Spirit, whose sending forth we celebrate today, the events of Easter are not just something confined to a distant past. Every Sunday is the celebration of the death and resurrection of Jesus, the paschal mystery through which we and the world are saved. And indeed every time we celebrate Mass we come to participate in the mystery of our own redemption as the one eternal sacrifice of Jesus, through the power of the Spirit, becomes a present reality before our very eyes.

Come O Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of Your love. Send forth Your Spirit and they shall be created, and You shall renew the face of the earth. O God who has taught the hearts of the faithful by the light of the Holy Spirit, grant that by the gift of the same Spirit, we may be always truly wise and ever rejoice in His consolation. Through Christ Our Lord.

St Vincent de Paul Society – Our recently formed SVP is looking for new members to help us grow and develop so that we can provide a meaningful service to our local community. If you feel you want to be a part of this group, our next meeting is on Thursday 30th May at 7pm in the parish hall. Please contact Collette Murphy on 07711887364 for further info or just turn up on 30th. You can be assured of a warm welcome. A member of our SVP will speak at all the Masses this weekend.

The Feast of Corpus Christi will be celebrated on **June 2nd**, which is two weeks away. We will be marking this day once again with a Blessed Sacrament Procession through Brewood after the 11am Mass, followed by Benediction. This is a great opportunity to witness our faith so come along even if you normally come to the other Sunday Masses. The children preparing for their First Holy Communion will also take an active role in the procession. After the procession there will be tea & cakes in the church hall so please come along to celebrate. Finally there is a sign up sheet at the back as we will need 4 canopy bearers and stewards with hi-vis jackets for the procession.

Health & Safety Volunteer – Each parish is required to have a Health & Safety Coordinator in order to help to promote a positive health and safety culture in the parish, to conduct occasional safety checks and to record and report any problems or accidents. Training will be provided. Please see Fr Tomas if interested.

Men's Rosary in this City – Saturday 25th May @ Victoria Square, Birmingham. Join Archbishop Bernard Longley this May to publicly witness to our faith, pray for our nation and to inspire men to live out their vocation as defenders of the faith and protectors of women and children. For more info: <https://tinyurl.com/23tuyv6x>

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.

Parish Finances – A big thank you to everyone for supporting your parish financially by your generous contributions. Just to remind you, there are three options of giving – Direct Debit, Planned Giving envelopes and Sunday Collections. Out of these Direct Debit is the easiest and the best option for the parish. If you're a taxpayer please also consider signing up to the **Gift Aid** scheme. Gift Aiding your contributions makes a huge difference to parish income at no extra expense to you. Every pound you contribute to the parish enables us to claim of 25p back. This makes an incredible difference. Please take the information handout at the back from the archdiocese for more information.

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>		
<u>Weekend of the 12th May 2024</u>		
Loose:	Brewood	Penkridge
	£97.95	£49.20
Gift Aid:	£123.00	
	Total: £270.15	
The second collection taken for Catholic Communications raised		
£147.95. Thank you		
The total Gift Aid Standing Orders for April were £1,015.00 (average weekly total £253.75)		

Please also pray for the sick, especially 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.

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Please contact the Diocesan Safeguarding team on 0121 230 6240 or safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.