ST MARY'S CATHOLIC PARISH BREWOOD

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PARISH SOLEMNITY OF THE BIRTHDAY OF OUR LADY

Saturday 5th September	4.30 – 4.45pm **5.00pm**	Confessions **Sunday Vigil Mass**	Mary & James O'Mara RIP
Sunday 6th September	**9.00am** **11.00am**	**Sunday Mass** (St Michael's, Penkridge) **Sunday Mass**	Mary Delacy RIP People of the parish
Monday 7th Feria	9.00am	**Holy Mass**	Holy Souls
Tuesday 8th Birthday of the BVM		*No Mass*	
Wednesday 9th Feria		*No Mass*	
Thursday 10th Feria		*No Mass*	
Friday 11th Feria		*No Mass*	

24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 12th September	4.30 – 4.45pm **5.00pm**	Confessions **Sunday Vigil Mass**	John Murphy
Sunday 13th September	**9.00am** **11.00am**	**Sunday Mass** (St Michael's, Penkridge) **Sunday Mass**	Bernadette Canning 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.

THE BIRTHDAY OF OUR LADY
Parish Feast Day

A very happy patronal feast to you all and a very warm welcome to our visitors!

Today is an opportunity to thank Our Lord and his Blessed Mother for all the blessings we have received in this parish, especially over the last year. Today we also pray for ourselves as we look towards the future. May we find new ways to share the Good News of Jesus with those around us and to always remain a sanctuary of welcome to all who seek God in their lives.

All are warmly invited to the Parish 'Bring & Share' Party after the **Solemn Mass at 11am** in the Presbytery Garden (just after 12noon).

Welcome Back! - Please pray for all the students and teachers returning to school, especially those who are part of our parish family of St Mary's.

For the next two weekends please welcome Fr Michael Miners who will be covering weekend Masses. Fr Micheal is now retired in north Staffordshire but some of you will of course remember him from time when he was the Parish Priest here between 2008 and 2011.

PLEASE NOTE – There will be no weekday masses until 24th September. Please also note that I will not be available to answer phone calls and, if there is a need for a priest in an emergency, please ring Fr David Gnosill at 01902 842 891.

HCPT Garden Party - You are invited to the annual Garden Party on Saturday 12th September from 1.30 - 4.30pm at The Bungalow, Wolverhampton Road, Penkridge. Hopefully the sun will shine for us!

100+Club - A big thank you to all our existing members for your continued support. We would also welcome new members to help raise funds to keep our church in good repair. If you're already a member please return completed forms as soon as possible. The first draw is in October, so subscriptions must be paid by 30th September to be included. Please state "100+ Club" on your payment so it is not confused with Gift Aid. Any queries, please contact Teresa at the Presbytery on Thursday.

The Month of September is dedicated to the Seven Sorrows of Our Lady, with the Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows celebrated on 15 Sept. The devotion, which became established in the Church in the 14th century and invites us to meditate on the sufferings Mary endured alongside her Divine Son. The devotion consists in praying seven Hail Mary's while meditating on the Seven Sorrows of Mary which are:

1. The Prophecy of Simeon
2. The Flight into Egypt
3. The Loss of Jesus for Three Days
4. Jesus Carries His Cross
5. The Crucifixion of Jesus
6. Jesus Is Taken Down from the Cross
7. Jesus Is Laid in the Tomb

Mary, in a unique way, willingly suffered alongside her Divine Son as he gave his life to save the world.

The Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill is back in the House of Commons and seeks to legalise assisted suicide. It will have its Second Reading and vote on Friday 11 September. We are being urged to write to our Members of Parliament to petition them to vote against the Bill at Second Reading. You can contact your MP as via this link https://righttolife.org.uk/Sept11vote

SVP Mass of Anointing - The SVP in Wolverhampton are holding their annual Mass with Anointing of the Sick on Sat 10th October, 11:30pm @ St Michael's RC Church, Penn. All are welcome to attend and the sick and elderly are invited to be anointed. Mass is followed by light refreshments in the hall. Get in touch if you need help with transport 07537161 820 or secretaryF201402@svp.org.uk

Thursday Masses - After several requests and consultation with those effected Thursday Mass will be celebrated in Latin (Extraordinary Form) *ad experimentum*, every week from the 1st October.

OTHER PARISH ITEMS

Christian Meditation – Meeting in the Hall every Tuesday @2.00pm.

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.

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 who is dying or with a serious/long-term illness, please let Fr Tomas know so that he can 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.

Please also pray for the sick, especially: Ron Darley, Joan Blackhurst, James Hunt, Tom Rochford, Philip Harding, Jean Ellson, Susan McLuckie, Mary Stokes, Rev Stephen Gee, Philip & Christine Elson, Andrew & Bernard Boyes.

COLLECTIONS

Weekend of 30th August 2026

	Brewood	Penkridge
Loose:	£138.15	£89.85
Gift Aid:	£113.00	

TOTAL: £341.00

The total Gift Aid Standing Orders for July were £1,160
(Average weekly total £290.00)

This Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham, Registered Charity No. 234216

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. Her contact is sg.stmary.brewood@rcaob.org.uk. Alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 or safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.