

Saint Mary's Catholic Church, Brewood

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Serving HMP Brinsford, HMP Featherstone and HMP Oakwood, Penkridge, Bishop's Wood, Four Ashes, Coven, Lapley, Wheaton Aston and surrounding areas.

This parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham. Registered charity number 234216

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Sunday 31st March 2019 Fourth Sunday of Lent

Sun 31st	9.00am* 11.00am†	Fourth Sunday of Lent Garry Canning RIP Birth ay remembrance Marie Gaffney RIP
Mon 1st	No Mass	Lent feria
Tues 2nd	No Mass	Lent feria
Wed 3rd	9.00am 7.00pm	Priest's Intention Prayer & Reflection (see below)
Thurs 4th	9.00am 6.00pm	Pupils and staff of St Mary's school Holy Hour
Fri 5th	6.00pm	Stations of the Cross
Sat 6th	2-2.15pm	Confession
Sun 7th	9.00am 11.00am	Fifth Sunday of Lent People of the parish Betty Sawbridge RIP

* This Mass is celebrated at St Michael's Penkridge and includes Children's Liturgy

† **There is also a Childrens Liturgy in Brewood at the 11.00am Mass.**

Please pray for the sick of the parish & their carers: - Steve Haywood, Chris Rauchmann, Philip & Christine Elson.

Our Collection for last week was **£420.08** made up of **£190.50** envelopes and **£229.58** loose. Thank you. **There will be a second collection for the Parish Development Fund.**

Red APF Box Please bring your boxes in to be emptied. Hand them to Helen Byrne at Penkridge or Fr Paul or Maggie at Brewood. **Please do not leave boxes in the church.**

LENT AT ST MARY'S 2019 There are several parish prayer-activities on offer:

Every Wednesday "Getting closer to Jesus" 7.00-8.00pm;

Thursdays at 6.00pm Holy Hour; Fridays at 6.00pm, Stations of the Cross;

Each week of Lent, an 'Armchair Retreat' (booklets available in church at Sunday Masses)

Please feel free to join in everything, or to choose one activity, or dip in-and-out. Lenten prayer and reflection may be found online also. Just type in: "Sacred Space", "Pray as you Go", "Universalis" "Jesuits in Britain", "Pathways to God".

Penitential Services: a number of priests will available for Confession at services on the following occasions: Friday 12th April, 7pm at St Christopher's, Codsall; Monday 15th April, 7pm at Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, Cannock Road, Wolverhampton, WV10 8PG and at St. Patrick's, 48 Sandon Rd, Stafford, ST16 3HF, on Tuesday 16th April, 7pm.

Gift Aid Envelopes For the new financial year will be available at the back of church from this weekend. We have had to change some of the numbers on the envelopes but this will **not** affect your Gift Aid donations. If you have changed your address, would like to join/leave the scheme can you please let Teresa know by contacting the parish office. Many thanks for your continued support.

Fr Paul's Sabbatical From **Monday 29th April to Monday 24th June 2019**, Fr Paul will be away from the parish on sabbatical leave. Through study and personal development, he hopes to use this sabbatical time to better serve our parish and those he meets in prison. While Fr Paul is away, Sunday Masses will be celebrated by visiting priests and Canon Michael Neylon (our Dean from Stafford) will be celebrating Mass on Wednesdays and generally meeting the priestly needs of our parish.

Easter Raffle Draw & Hot Dogs To start off our fund raising we will be selling Raffle Tickets after the Sunday Masses until **5th April**. **First prize will be £25 cash.** We are looking for donations of Easter Eggs, chocolates & bottles of wine etc as prizes. The draw will be in the church hall after the 11.00am Mass on **Sunday 7th April**. Mike & Pam will provide us with their delicious Hot Dogs so even if you don't win in the raffle you can enjoy a hot dog & a cuppa whilst helping to raise money to kick start the refurbishment of our lovely church.

	Eucharistic Ministers	Eucharistic Ministers	Readers	Readers
	9.00am	11.00am	9.00am	11.00am
31/3/19	Kathy Bernadette	Aggie Colette	Cathy	Vernon
7/4/19	Janet Anne		Jo	Helen

	Coffee	Flowers Brewood	Cleaners Brewood	Cleaners Penkridge	Prison Visitors
31/3/19	Chris Martin	Lent	Teresa Maggie	Cathy	Bill
7/4/19	Sue Mrs Darley	Lent	Helen Barry	Irene	Kevin & Stuart

*Please join us for tea & coffee in the church hall after
11.00am Mass*

