



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.

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Sunday 22nd November 2020

Feast of Christ the King

Youth Day

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The Masses advertised below will *not* be celebrated in public but will be live-streamed on Fr Paul's YouTube channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCCqY-szDpsHcQ5OUdBRz6zw/featured>

Sun 22nd	10.00am	Feast of Christ the King <i>Joan Marsh RIP</i>
Mon 23rd		Feria
Tues 24th		Memorial of St Andrew Dun-Lac and Companions, Martyrs
Wed 25th	9.00am 12-1pm	Feria All faithful departed of the parish Private prayer in church
Thurs 26th	9.00am	Feria Peter Swinden
Fri 27th	9.00am	Feria Private intention
Sat 28th	9.00am 12-1pm	Feria Gary Canning RIP Private prayer in church
Sun 29th	10.00am	First Sunday of Advent <i>People of the parish</i>

Sick List To comply with **GDPR** legislation, from November 2018, we started the parish sick list anew. Only those who have given consent will be on the sick list. A letter is available which can be handed to anyone who is ill to request a visit, or to have their names added to the list to be prayed for.

Please pray for the sick of the parish & their carers: - Chris Rauchmann, Philip & Christine Elson, Bill Baker, Ashley Lewis.

Peter Swinden RIP We've had the sad news that Peter Swinden from Brewood passed away earlier this month. Under the current Covid restrictions, unfortunately no more than 30 people can attend Peter's funeral which will be on Friday 4th December. Although many more may wish to be there, unless Peter's family has contacted us, we will not be able to attend. We keep Peter and his family in our prayers at this difficult time.

Private Prayer Until at least **Wednesday 2nd December**, St Mary's church will be open for private prayer on **Wednesdays** and **Saturdays** between **midday** and **1pm**. During this prayer we will take the usual Covid-secure precautions as we have during Mass in recent months. Thank you to our stewards for allowing this to happen.

Fr Paul writes:

Dear All

On 10th November, the Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse (IICSA) published its report on the Catholic Church in England and Wales. IICSA's account of the abuse known to be inflicted on children over the past 50 years is shocking and overwhelming and, at their meeting this week, our Bishops stood together in profound shame. They acknowledged their failings, mistakes and lack of adequate cooperation. They expressed their deep sorrow and asked for forgiveness, especially from victims and survivors of abuse. Our Bishops have committed themselves to implementing the recommendations of the IICSA report.

You can see messages on the report from Archbishop Bernard and from all the Bishops on our Diocese's website: <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/News/statement-on-safeguarding-from-the-bishops-conference> IICSA's full report can be found at: <https://www.iicsa.org.uk/publications/investigation/roman-catholic-church>

We pray that we all may continue to make our Church a safe place to be where everyone's dignity is respected and all are listened to.

God bless

Fr Paul



Daily Prayer During this current 4 week lockdown, our bishops have encouraged us to joining a national shared moment of prayer **each day at 6pm**, especially offering thanks and prayers for healthcare workers and their service. We also asked to support those around us in need.

Covid-19 and Vaccination – The Bishop's have given advice on being vaccinated which can be found at their website at: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/home/our-work/health-social-care/coronavirus-guidelines/covid-19-and-vaccination/>



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While Mass cannot be celebrated in public Due to the current Covid restrictions, Masses cannot be celebrated in public until at least **Thursday 3rd December**. Until then Fr Paul will be **live-streaming Mass** from the Presbytery on his YouTube channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCCgY-szDpsHcO5OUdBRz6zw/featured>

If you wish to follow the Mass **readings** of the day, you can find these a number of websites including: <https://www.alivepublishing.co.uk/daily-mass-readings/>

If Masses are able to be celebrated in public again after 3rd December, we will post notices in the church porch and on the parish website.

Some Mass Parts

Glory to God

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried;

he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead;

he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

The Catholic bishops of England and Wales have produced a **prayer leaflet from for when Mass cannot be celebrated publicly** - this can be found on our website at:

<https://www.stmarybrewood.org.uk/news.html>

The bishops' prayer leaflet contains an **Act of Spiritual Communion** that is being said at Communion during parish live-streamed Masses:

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in this Holy Sacrament of the altar. I love you above all things and I passionately desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my soul so that I may unite myself wholly to you now and forever. Amen.

Diocesan Chief Operating Officer The Archdiocese of Birmingham is looking to appoint a **Chief Operating Officer** (COO) to enable it to deliver its Mission. Based in Birmingham, the post would be full time with a salary of £80,000 to £90,000 p.a. Working closely with the Archbishop, Area Bishops and the Vicar General, the COO is responsible for the lay workforce, and the financial and property resources involved in providing administrative services in fulfilment of the Mission of the Catholic Church in the Diocese, primarily through the provision of support to parishes. Their role includes ensuring compliance with all legal requirements. **Closing date for applications: 9am, Friday 18th December. For a full job advert and details on how to apply, please go to the following website:**

<https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/Handlers/Download.ashx?IDMF=fa8ef1ba-57d9-49de-a79f-751ccee11666>

Our Collection For ideas on how to give to our parish mission while public Mass is suspended please see the 'News' page on the parish website: <https://www.stmarybrewood.org.uk/news.html>

St Mary's church across fields to the north

