

Parish Lottery Winners

Saturday 15th March 2025 Week No 15 Bonus Ball: 28 Thunder Ball: 14
 Winners of the Bonus Ball: M Preece, M Savage, Dr Macaulay, H Wilson, K Mousley (each receive £25) There was no winner of the Thunder Ball. Amount to be won next week £150.

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Centre

Sunday 23rd March Live Sport

GAA Football: Louth v Meath 1.30pm Tyrone v Dublin 3.45pm

UEFA Nations League:

Scotland v Greece 5.00pm Rep of Ireland v Bulgaria 7.45pm

Live Music 'Billy Martin'

Wednesday: Bingo 7.30pm

The Centre is available for Funeral Wakes, Baptism Celebrations, Charity Events, Weddings, Birthday parties etc. To book the Centre contact Melissa 07434 667695 or 0121 443 2199 follow us on <https://www.facebook.com/ololparishcentre>

40 Hours Devotion at Holy Souls, Acocks Green You are invited to take part in our 40-hour devotion as part of our jubilee and centenary events, celebrating 100 years of our church. This devotion involves 40 hours of Eucharistic Adoration with different prayer events taking place Fri 4th - Sun 6th April. One highlight is our 'Night of Light' service taking place at 7-8pm on Sat 5th April when our church will be illuminated and you are invited to come in to light a candle for peace. This is also a good opportunity to invite lapsed or non-Catholic friends to share the beauty of our Faith. Refreshments will be served during this hour. For more details see poster on noticeboard or visit holysoulschurch.co.uk. Please join us in adoring our Lord in the Eucharist!

Next Heritage Group Outing To Shrewsbury Tuesday 1st April. There will be an opportunity to visit the Cathedral. Cost £27.50 per person a few places are still available contact Alexe 07838 732830 to book.

St Paul's School for Girls Job Vacancies for following teaching positions required for Sept 2025 **Business & Economics, Computer Science, Social Services** and **RE** (maternity cover) for further details visit school website www.stpaulgl.bham.sch.uk

Isle of Wight Holiday Sunday 6th April The coach will pick up from outside the church at 9.30am.

Jubilee Year Prayer

Father in heaven,
 may the faith you have given us
 in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,
 and the flame of charity enkindled
 in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,
 reawaken in us the blessed hope
 for the coming of your Kingdom.
 May your grace transform us
 into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the
 Gospel.
 May those seeds transform from within both
 humanity and the whole cosmos

in the sure expectation
 of a new heaven and a new earth,
 when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,
 your glory will shine eternally.
 May the grace of the Jubilee
 reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope,
 a yearning for the treasures of heaven.
 May that same grace spread
 the joy and peace of our Redeemer
 throughout the earth.
 To you our God, eternally blessed,
 be glory and praise for ever.
 Amen



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Third Sunday of Lent 23rd March 2025



Masses this Week

Sat 22nd Mar	6.00pm	Vigil Mass	Teresa Egan (Months Mind) Julie Reaney RIP (Birthday)
Sun 23rd Mar	9.00am	Third Sunday of Lent	Bernie McCrann (Anniv) Philip Taaffe (Anniv)
	11.30am		Ann Quinn (Anniv) Kathleen O'Neil (1st Anniv) Alice Cassidy (Anniv) Stephen Cooke RIP Mary Duffy
Mon 24th Mar	9.00am		Liam O'Brien RIP
Tue 25th Mar	9.00am	Annunciation of the Lord	John Duffy, Pakie & Mary Duffy RIP
Wed 26th Mar	9.00am		Michael Creaton (Anniv)
Thu 27th Mar	9.00am		Sebasdian & Cicily family Intentions
Fri 28th Mar	9.00am		Lilian Bibby (1st Anniv)
Sat 29th Mar	10.00am		People of the Parish
	6.00pm	Vigil Mass	Stephen Flaherty RIP Dermott McBride RIP Eddie Street RIP (Birthday) Sean Gallagher (Anniv)
Sun 30th Mar	9.00am	Fourth Sunday of Lent	Martina Khaleel, Liam Costello & Siobhan Costello (Anniv) Mary Kate Fitzpatrick (Anniv)
	11.30am		Private Intention Henry & Arthur Callaghan (Anniv)

School Mass on Tuesday at 9.00am Feast of the Annunciation of the Lord.

Confessions Saturday 10.45am - 11.30am and 5.15pm - 5.45pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Saturday 10.30am - 11.30am

Stations of the Cross Friday evening at 7.00pm during Lent.

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Response to the Psalm:

The Lord is compassionate and gracious.

Gospel Acclamation:

Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God.
Repent, says the Lord,
for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.
Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God.

Retiring Collection this weekend is a special collection dedicated to supporting the Jubilee initiatives and projects at the Catholic National Shrine & Basilica of Our Lady, at Walsingham.

Retiring Collection last weekend for CAFOD *Family Fast* came to £1,122.65. Thank you.

Next Baptism Preparation Meeting

Tuesday 1st April at 7.00pm in the church. Parents and Godparents are asked to attend.

Assisted Suicide Terminally Ill Adults

(End of Life) Bill action needs to be taken now to defeat this Bill which at present is going through Parliament. MPs will get another chance to vote on this Bill at Third Reading, which is expected to take place on 25th April. In order to defeat it 28 MPs need to switch from supporting to opposing the Bill. If you haven't already done so please write to your MP. Leaflets from SPUC are available at the back of church or visit their website spuc.org.uk/campaign/assistedsuicideuk

Palm Sunday Sponsored Walk Sunday 13th April after the 9.00am Mass (or at a time of your convenience) Sponsor forms are available from Sheila. Walk for a charity of your own choice.

Offerings February

Offertory Collection £3,989.08 G/A £1,301.55
S/O £2,418.85 G/A £2,340.85

Gift Aid weekly envelopes are now available for collection. If you are a taxpayer and not currently on the scheme please consider joining. For every £1 given, the Church can claim a further 25p from the government. Last year the parish reclaimed £13,164.55 in tax. Please speak to Sheila if you wish to join the scheme. Also if you are already a member of the scheme and your circumstances have changed i.e. tax status, name, address speak to Sheila. **Annual cheques for current tax year are to be in by Sunday 30th March.**

This church live streams Mass and other events. Please see notices in church for more details.

Webcam - Live Streaming www.ourladyofourdesbirmingham.co.uk click on 'Watch Church Webcam' this will take you straight to the page or go to MCN Media, click on England, then West Midlands then Our Lady of Lourdes, Yardley Wood

SVP Raffle Tickets will be available at Masses this weekend. Counterfoils/monies can be handed in to an SVP member.

Quiz Night Thank you to all who supported the quiz night in February £358.00 was raised for HCPT. Next Quiz Night in aid of charity will be on Friday 25th April at 8.30pm in the Parish Centre. All welcome.

WeBelieve St Mary's College, Oscott is hosting WeBelieve, a festival of Catholic Life celebrating the Jubilee Year of Hope from 25th-28th July. WeBelieve has been designed with parishes and families in mind, as an opportunity to receive inspiring faith formation together, to bond as a community and to celebrate the Jubilee in a tangible way. If you would like to know more, or if you would be interested in bringing a group, email info@webeliefefestival.com

Young Discerners Group "What are you seeking?" Are you a young man in School years 9-13 who wants to explore a vocation to the Catholic priesthood. Come and spend a day at St Mary's College, Oscott on Saturday 5th April 10.30am - 4.00pm Booking is essential see poster on noticeboard for more details or contact Deacon Owen Gresty 0121 321 5135 or deacon.owen@vocations.org.uk

Pray for the sick - Eddie Byrne, Giovanna Casserley, Isabelle Chester, Pat Clarke, Ann Desmond, Bridget Doherty, Owen Dolan, Ann Douglas, Michael Doyle, Amber Durrant, Tom Finnerty, Mary Fleming, Sylvia Ford, Patricia Freeman, Christopher Geraghty, Chloe Glendall, Bryan Grogan, Carmel Haines, Martina Hand, Patrick Harte, Helen Hayden, Dan Healy, Baby Heyaan Heath, Finbar Herron, Anne Holland, Ray Holton, Norman Huddleday, Jason Hughes, Marie Hume, Michael Hyland, Michael Kilgallen, Brian Kirk, Barbara Kopieczek, Maureen Maloney, Mary Mazurkiewicz, Eugene McCarthy, Dolly McCaul, Gemma McGeown, Francis McGillion, Pat McGlone, Kathleen McHale, John McNicholas, Danny Mulholland, James Murphy, John Murphy, Denis Murray, Michael Noga, Siobhan O'Connell, Aidan O'Donnell, Patricia O'Donnell, Margaret O'Grady, Baby John Thomas O'Neill, Mary Pender, John Quinn, Baby Aine Scanlon, John Shryane, Julie Swinscoe, Nadine Terry, David Thorpe, Vincent Tierney, Andrew Walford, Mona Whitehouse, Baby Daisy Williams

Lately Dead:

Kevin Ryan (Yarnfield Road) Requiem Thursday 3rd April at 10.15am

Larry Healy (New Road) Requiem Tuesday 8th April at 11.00am Reception Monday 7th at 7.00pm

John Ward Requiem Mass Wednesday 9th April at 10.00am

Mark McGarry (Manchester) Requiem Thursday 17th April at 11.45am

Val Layland (Bramley Grove - formerly of Colebourne Road) **Shane McKenna, Eddie McDermott**

Fiona Fanning (Quarrington Grove) **Dermot Tiernan** (Primrose Lane) **Sammy Conway**

Fr Dominic Innamorati Requiem Monday 7th April 11.00am at Olton Friary

Anniversaries: 23rd Mar - 29th Mar (2015 - to date) Florence Renehan, Sally Bowen, William Hannon, Maureen Shryane, Michael Brady, Chrissie Casey, David Begley, Alice Cassidy, Ian Bambury, Helen Harris, Jenny Browne, Elizabeth Daly, Mary Martin, Danny Ryan, John McAuliffe, Lilian Bibby, Noreen Hetherington, Kevin Byrne, Sean Gallagher, Thomas Hannon

Readers	Weekend 23rd March	Weekend 30th March
6.00pm	T Bradley	T Flaherty, E Flaherty
9.00am	T Martin, G McCann, M O'Connor	T Oxley, J Oxley
11.30am	W Ferreira, E Healy, H Healy	R Wood, E Keating
Ministers 6pm	Sr Clarissa, Y Brennan	P Keane, Sr Clarissa
9.00am	A Okonkwo, P Fitzpatrick, T Kenna	D Macaulay, D Ryan, L Freeman
11.30am	Sr Clarissa, P Stephens, R Flanagan	Sr Clarissa, B Wood, K Price
Minibus Driver	R Mattison, G Mattison	P Carbery, A Carbery
Counting	W Power, T Hickey	M Hannon, A Hannon
Church Cleaning	Wednesday 26th March 9.30am	Saturday 5th April 8.30am
	Team C: J Cunningham, F Rotherham, M Nguyen, A Healy, F Garcia	Team A: S McGrath, P & C McDonald, C Hayden, E Sullivan

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Marie Sullivan and Lorraine Freeman. They can be contacted at: sg.ourladyofourdes.bham@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.

