

Good News!

24th March 2019 • Third Sunday of Lent

Welcome to everyone at Mass today, especially if you are new to our church or haven't been to Mass for some time. Practising Catholics, clear in conscience that they are properly prepared, may receive **holy communion**. Others are invited to come forward for a **blessing**. If so, please place your hand on your heart to indicate this to the priest, deacon or minister.



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Masses, Intentions & other services

Check mass intentions online at bit.ly/mass-intentions

24th March • 3rd Sunday of Lent • Change

Sat 23 5pm Betty & Pat Macguire RIP
Sun 24 8am Sylvia Robertson RIP
10.30am Stanley & Ellen Jefcoat RIP

Mon 25 9.30am at Our Lady of Lourdes, Hednesford

Tue 26 9.15am Betty Murphy RIP
Wed 27 9.15am Brian Corcoran RIP (School mass)
Thu 28 9:15am Gaughan Family RIP
(Maggie, Tommy, John, Thomas)
1:45pm Holy Souls (at St Thomas More School)
Fri 29 9.15am David Connolly RIP
Sat 30 10am Parish & People

31st March • 4th Sunday of Lent • Forgiveness

Mothering Sunday

Sat 30 5pm Norma Rowley RIP
Sun 31 8am Sandra Lakin RIP
10.30am Peter Garnett intentions

Stations of the Cross: Sundays 4pm, Fridays 7pm

Saints & Holy Days Monday, Annunciation, Solemnity.

Baptism 31st March, Vihara Anjani Kuruppu Arachchige,
7th April Rose Amelia Sheppard, Lael Will Tatenda Exton.

Children's Liturgy Sun 10.30 Mass (not 31st)

Exposition (Holy Hour) Saturdays 9am to 9.50am

Rosary 8.50am before Mass on Thursday and Friday; and

Rosary with the intention of the Unborn

First Saturday of each month at 9.40am with the intentions
of the unborn. Prayer cards are available.

Morning Prayer 9.40am Saturday (not first Saturday).

Confessions usually Sat 9-9.50am, 10.30-11am, 4.30-4.50pm.

Parish Income 17th March £566 (£279 Gift Aid); Cafod
£522 (£82 Gift Aid). Thank you!

Second Collections 31st March Parish Development
Fund, 7th April Easter Flowers, 19th April Holy Places, 21st
April Easter Offerings. A full list of second collections can
be found here: bit.ly/2LQNZKN

Walk with Me booklets and **Calendars**, and **Bible Alive**
for Lent are now available.

Diocesan Newsletter for March (2) bit.ly/2Uobvfi

Please submit notices and items for publication to Fr Peter by hand, by text 07766 335591 or by email to priest@cannockcatholic.org

Repent, and you will live ...

Little Jimmy, the
country & western
singer is performing
at the Centre on
Friday March 29th at
7.30pm. **Tickets £5**
All proceeds in aid of
Parish Development
Fund.

Mothering Sunday is
next weekend. Posies
for mums be made in
the Presbytery from
6pm next Friday 29th.
Please help if you
can. Family Mass next
Sunday's 10.30am.

The Sower the new
Diocesan publication
is available now (free!).
Also available for
download.

Support the
Friendship Club's
application for funding
from *Tesco Bags of Help*
Scheme. Make any
purchase in March and
April at any of 4 local
Tescos (Heath Hayes,
Hednesford Great
Wyrley and Stafford
Road) and use the token
you receive to place a
vote.

Thanks to Asda, also
from the Friendship
Group for the
refreshments ie tea,
coffee, sugar and other
products recently
provided for raffle
prizes.

New Life Sale
Sunday April 7th
6pm - 8pm at New Life
Tickets £5.

100 Club Envelopes for
current members are at
the back of the church.
Return yours by 31st
March please. if you
would like to join please
give your details to one
of the collectors, or
call Veronica Davies on
07808899239 or 01922
513722. New Members
will be contacted with
their NEW
number once all the
envelopes have been
returned.

Murder Mystery
Evening Centenary Hall
Hednesford Saturday
11th April 7pm. Adults
£10, Children £6
includes food. For
tickets contact Mick
07789 111767.

Food Bank Thank you
for your continued
donations. We collected
35.4 kg of food in March
Please keep these
donations coming!

Birthday Party in the
Centre Saturday 30th
7pm in the Centre all
welcome.

Marmelade and Jam
£2.50 per jar from the
back of Church.

Fr Peter

Cyclone Idai has caused terrible devastation in Mozambique, Malawi and Zimbabwe. Please prayer for those affected and contribute to the appeal here: bit.ly/2U3YZef

St Mary's Centre 01543 579364

Sunday Carvery 12-4pm £6.95
 Wednesday Carvery 5.30-8pm 2 for £10
 Thursday 5.30-8pm 2 for £10 (OAP £4 each)
 Friday 5.30pm-8.30pm from 2 for £10
 @cannockreclub
 All functions catered for

Lent and Holy Week

Believe

Journey of Faith and Lent group on the Creed
 Tuesdays 7.30pm (until 9th April)
 Centenary Hall, Our Lady of Lourdes, Hednesford

Stations of the Cross

Sundays 4pm (not April 7th) and Fridays 7pm
 Good Friday 12pm and 7pm

Mother's Day Family Mass

10:30am Mothering Sunday 31st March

Born for This

Cardinal Griffin Liturgy and Worship group and St Mary's Catholic Primary School choir. A moving liturgy of song, words and action commemorating the last few hours of Jesus' life. A retiring collection for Cafod and CGCC Pilgrimage to Lourdes.
 Sunday April 7th 4pm

Shadow of the Cross

St. Stephen's Gospel Choir
 Tuesday April 16th 7pm

The Holy Triduum 18th to 20th April

Maundy Thursday 7pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
Good Friday 12 & 7pm Stations of the Cross
 3pm Liturgy of the Cross
Easter Vigil 7pm Mass and Ceremonies

Please Pray ...

... The Holy Father's Prayer Intention: That Christian communities, especially those that are persecuted, feel that they are close to Christ and have their rights protected.

... for the 'Ladies in White' of Cuba, who go to Mass dressed in white then silently walk through the streets to remind the government that they are still awaiting the release of their unjustly detained family members. Many of them will be harassed, beaten or detained to stop them attending church.

... for all those suffering in Mozambique, Malawi and Zimbabwe after Cyclone Idai.

... for our country, the government and all involved in the difficult political situation at present: that there may be wisdom and a concern for all in society, especially the most vulnerable

... for the sick or housebound: Don McCulloch, Mary Rowley, Helen Pawlak, Kath Turner, Stella Skillen, Winifride Haynes, Annette Mason, Doris Crabb, Joanne Jeavons, Nicola McCulloch, Celia Hurdiss, Dee Fellows, David Holt, Theresa Hadley, Sandra Avery, Fr Pat Farrelly, June Weatherby.

... for those in our parish receiving communion at home: Mary Kirby, Norah Perry, Peter Clamp, Don and Breeda Hinton, Gerry Marriott, Billie Wyles, Maria Wacławski, Catherine Holloway, Bernard Deakin, Iris Robertson, Mary Casey.
 ... for those in difficult situations at home or at work

... for those undergoing or recovering from treatment or otherwise in particular need of our prayers: Katie Bruce, Anne Costello, John Morris, Vincent Dockery, Peter Garnett, Hannah Newborough, Peter Clamp, Kevin O'Mahony, Ray Bishop, Audrey George, Mitek Karasinska, Geoff Tipping, Josie Riley, James B, Helen, Fr Neil Bayliss, Deacon Louis Livesey.

The Holy Souls

.... for the recently departed: Mary Harley, Theo Brennan-Hulme

... for those with anniversaries about this time: 25th Margaret Ashton (Landon), Rose Smith; 26th Gladys Elizabeth Davis, Margaret Ann Skitt.

Thanksgivings

... for the forthcoming canonisation of Blessed John Henry Newman!

Full rota is at bit.ly/cannockparishrota

ROTAS	Readers Sat 5pm	Ministers Sat 5pm	Readers Sun 8am	Ministers Sick Visiting	Readers Sun 10.30am	Ministers Sun 10.30am	Counters	Cleaning	Stole Washing
March 24th Lent Three	Paul Doyle Morna Doyle	S & T Bullivant P & C Wilson	Margaret Tym	C Bridges	Tom Burrowes Richard Playfair	D Bruce, C Hunt A Pritchard M Sargeant	M. Powell, S. Nelson	Team 2 S & P Kilgallon G Dockery	Carol Garnett
March 31st Lent Four Mothering Sunday	Paul Doyle Morna Doyle	S & T Bullivant P & C Wilson	Margaret Tym	D & G Korzonek	Schools	D Bruce, C Hunt A Pritchard M Sargeant	G. Keeling C Bridges	Team 3 M Jones, S Clancy, G Dockery	Carol Garnett