

Ss Mary and Modwen's Catholic Church, Burton

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This Parish is served by the Congregation of the Holy Spirit (Spiritans)

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First Sunday of Advent, Year A

26th/27th November 2022

1st Sunday of Advent: Mass & Readings: Sunday - Year A. Weekday - 1st Week of Advent. Psalter Week 1

Saturday 26th <i>Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday</i>	Mass 9:30am Vigil Mass 5:00pm - Tutbury	<i>Ouseph & Theresa RIP</i> <i>People of the Parish</i>
Sunday 27th <i>First Sunday of Advent</i>	Mass 9:00am Mass 11:00am Mass 6:00pm	<i>Michael & Bridget O'Donnell RIP</i> <i>Phil & Lisa Holmes</i> <i>Private Intention</i>
Monday 28th <i>Advent Feria</i>	Mass 9:30am	<i>Esther Usifoh & Gregory Abhulimen</i>
Tuesday 29th <i>Advent Feria</i>	Mass 9:30am	<i>Gladys Pickering</i>
Wednesday 30th <i>Feast of St Andrew, Apostle</i>	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10:00am Mass 11:00am	<i>Holy Souls</i>
Thursday 1st <i>Feast of St Edmund</i> <i>Campion, Priest, Martyr</i>	Mass 9:15am - St Modwen's Catholic Primary School Mass 9:30am	<i>School Community</i> <i>Margaret Emery RIP</i>
Friday 2nd <i>Advent Feria</i>	Mass 9:30am	<i>Claramma Joseph RIP</i>
Saturday 3rd <i>Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday</i>	Mass 9:30am Vigil Mass 5:00pm - Tutbury 12:00pm: Parish Bazaar	<i>Willie Reddin RIP</i> <i>Cyril & Evelyn Clemson RIP</i>
Sunday 4th <i>Second Sunday of Advent</i>	Mass 9:00am Mass 11:00am Mass 6:00pm	<i>Willie Reddin</i> <i>Carlo & Carmelina Morrone</i> <i>People of the Parish</i>

CONFESSION: We have Confession in the Parish every Saturday after 9:30am Mass and on request. Please avail yourself of the opportunity.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND OF OUR PARISH:

Mary Conway, Maya Whatton, Damian Walsh, Tony Mulcahy, Pat Lawton, Joe Emery, Sheila Chatterton, Kath Woodyet, Carolyn Edge, Richard Waldron, Andrew Poyser, Sue Rose, Eileen Davis, Chris Morris, Sadie Blackford, Martin Routledge, Doreen Swan, Marilyn Gough, Justina Okoye, Dolly Rothwell, Justin Oguora.

MASS ATTENDANCE: 412

OFFERTORY COLLECTION:

Offertory Collection for last Sunday: £547.79

BUILDING & DEVELOPMENT / SECOND COLLECTION:

Development Fund running total: -£15,198.20

Last Sunday Second Collection: **Building and Development Fund:** £74.13

Last Sunday Special Collection: **Catholic Youth Service:** £122.98

This Sunday Second Collection: **Building and Development Fund**

Next Sunday Second Collection: **Poor Parish Fund**

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY CENACLE GROUP: Our Cenacle Prayer group takes place every Wednesday at 7:00pm. Thank you to all participants and those intending to participate in the future. Parishioners are encouraged to join our Blessed Mother's Army. Those wishing to enrol still have the opportunity to do so. It is a privilege to be invited by our Blessed Mother to be part of her battle-ready army. There is a petition box in front of Our Lady's statue during Cenacle prayer. Bring your petitions to her; she is a great intercessor.

MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS: Envelopes for the November Dead List are the back of Church. Please collect and place in the envelope the names of the deceased that you want the parish to pray for, together with the offering for the Mass. Return as soon as possible to the Parish Office.

PARISH SAFEGUARDING OFFICER: For all volunteers who wish to contact Eilis Field for DBS, her email address is: sg.stmary-mod.burton-on-trent@rcaob.org.uk

ST MOD'S TIDDLERS: Is open on Fridays from 10:00am to 11.30am in the Parish Hall, during term time only. There is an assortment of toys on offer, crafts, messy play, mark making, stories and songs. Tea/coffee & biscuit for adults and a healthy snack for children but also a moment of prayer in church. A Parent/Guardian MUST be with their children at this group.

WARM PLACE: We would want to provide a warm place in the church hall for elderly people to come together for tea and coffee and to socialise with others once a week. We will start on Wednesday 7th December from 10.00am to 12.00noon in the Parish Hall. We are calling for volunteers to help facilitate this. Those who would like to volunteer should please see any of the priests.

SOUP KITCHEN: "I would like to thank the parishioners for their ongoing support with donations of soup for the soup kitchen. It is greatly appreciated and am sure that this will continue to be the case as we head towards winter. God bless you all." - Elaine and the team.

MASS OFFERING: Envelopes for Mass Offerings are at the back of Church. Please take one and use for regular Mass offering. Include the donation for the Mass in the envelope and return to the Parish Office.

FOODBANK: We encourage parishioners to contribute food items for those struggling with the cost of food. Please bring the items to church.

ALTAR SERVERS PAST AND PRESENT: We have now reintroduced altar serving in the Parish. If you or your child wishes to resume or start serving on the altar, please contact Fr Arthur or Fr Stan after Mass or Matthew Mills. In addition, the parish is updating its record of Altar Servers in the Parish. We want to ensure our records capture all those who have undertaken the ministry of Altar Serving in the parish, both past and present. If you or your children have been an Altar server in the past, please contact Matthew Mills with any details you have of who was serving and when, including dates of enrolment to the Guild of St Stephen and when they finished. Matthew Mills can be contacted via e-mail: mills.matthew530@gmail.com

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION: Catechism classes in preparation for Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation for children who do not currently attend St. Modwen's Catholic School started on Saturday 19th November in the parish centre. For First Holy Communion: 9:30am to 10:30am; Confirmation: 11:00am - 12:00noon.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR 3RD DECEMBER 2022: Thank you for all the generous donations so far. If you have signed up to donate a prize for the main draw, please bring it to the Parish Office clearly marked "Main Draw Prize".

Donations for the bazaar can be left with the Parish Office – please donate the following if you can:

- Bottles - 200 items needed for the bottle stall, large or small. Also includes cans
- Chocolate - 200 items needed for the chocolate tombola - anything chocolate
- Cosmetics and Toiletries - unwanted gifts, anything unopened
- Gifts - any unwanted gifts etc that will make nice presents
- Toys - new or second hand (nothing broken or dirty please)
- Books, CDs and DVDs
- Cakes
- Groceries

Please return any sold draw tickets with money to the presbytery before the bazaar.

If you can display a poster at work, please take one from the back of the Church.

Above all, please come to the bazaar and get your friends / family to come along. This is the main fundraiser and social event for the parish. John Mitcheson

PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK SHRINE: Escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland, 27th March 2023. £699.00 per person sharing. Price includes flight, all transfers, 4 nights in Knock House Hotel with full board. All entertainment and excursions included. Day trips to Westport, Ballintubber Abbey, Croagh Patrick, Fr. Peyton Centre & National Museum. Single supplement £150.00. Contact Patricia on 01268 762278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com. See poster at the back of Church.

ADVENT RECOLLECTION: As we begin the season of Advent, we will have Advent Recollection for the parish on Thursday, 1st December in the Church from 7:00pm - 8:30pm. Please, do well to attend.

Next Sunday's Rota – 4th December 2022			
	9:00am Mass	11:00am Mass	6:00pm Mass
Reader	MaryAnn Imhoagene	Path Molloy	Paul Bowen
Eucharistic Minister	Gerry Gough	Rosemary Scott	Bill Moloney
Tea & Coffee	Theresa McCallum	Joyce & Margaret	Paul and Diana
Stewards	Jerome Emery	Paul Moon & Gary Redfern	John Mitcheson
Church Cleaning – Week Commencing			
4th December	John, Ann Ward & Christine Hardly		

MISSIO RED BOX HOLDERS: It's that time of year again for boxes to be emptied and monies transferred to Missio HQ. Please pass your red box to the stewards as you arrive for any mass on Sundays Nov 20th, 27th or Dec 4th - alternatively red boxes can be taken to the Parish Office any Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs between 10.30am - 3.00pm before Dec 1st. Thank you for your ongoing support for Missio via your Red Box contributions. Similarly, thanks to those parishioners who during Covid decided not to continue with a Red Box at home, instead choosing either to set up a monthly donation direct to Missio or make a 'one-off' donation during the year. **Thank You All.** I'll confirm the total amount raised by our parish during 2022 in newsletters early in the New Year! Best wishes. - Paul Moon - Parish Missio Red Box Co-ordinator.

DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION SERVICES: The Archdiocese is seeking a visionary Director of Education Services to serve its 237 schools. Catholic Education is vital to the Archdiocese, which has placed young people and families at the heart of its vision. The schools will play a significant role in building even closer relationships and co-responsibility between parish, school and home. Applications end Monday 28th November. Visit www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/jobs to find out more.

SYNOD 2023-2024: At his Angelus message on Sunday 16 October, the Holy Father spoke the following:

On 10 October last year, the first phase opened of the XVI Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops on the theme, "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, Mission". Since then, the first phase of the Synod is being carried out in the local Churches through listening and discernment. The fruits of the synodal process underway are many, but so that they might come to full maturity, it is necessary not to be in a rush. Therefore, in order to have a more relaxed period of discernment, I have established that this Synodal Assembly will take place in two sessions. The first from 4th to 29th October 2023, and the second in October of 2024. I trust that this decision will promote the understanding of synodality as a constitutive dimension of the Church and help everyone to live it as the journey of brothers and sisters who proclaim the joy of the Gospel.