

# Ss Mary and Modwen's Catholic Church, Burton

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Part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham, Registered Charity Number 234216  
This Parish is served by the Congregation of the Holy Spirit (Spiritans)

## Parish Clergy

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## First Sunday of Advent, Year C (Year of Prayer)

### 30<sup>th</sup> November/1<sup>st</sup> December 2024

*First Sunday of Advent: Mass & Readings: Year C. Weekdays – Advent, Week 1. Hours: Psalter Week 1*

<b>Saturday 30<sup>th</sup></b> <i>Feast of St Andrew, Apostle</i>	<b>Mass 9:30am</b>  <b>Vigil Mass 5:00pm - Tutbury</b>	<i>Albert &amp; Eleen Minechan RIP</i> <i>Peggy Hudson RIP</i>
<b>Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December</b> <i>First Sunday of Advent</i>	<b>Mass 9:00am</b>  <b>Mass 11:00am</b> <b>Mass 6:00pm</b>	<i>People of the Parish</i> <i>Margaret Emery RIP</i> <i>P.K. Jose RIP</i> <i>Sabu Matthew God's Healing</i>
<b>Monday 2<sup>nd</sup></b> <i>Advent Feria</i>	<b>Mass 9:30am</b>	<i>P.K. Jose RIP</i> <i>Richmond Nwanunobi, RIP</i>
<b>Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup></b> <i>Memorial of St Francis Xavier, Priest</i>	<b>Mass 9:30am</b>	<i>P.K. Jose RIP</i> <i>John Connell RIP</i>
<b>Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup></b> <i>Advent Feria</i>	<b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10:00am</b> <b>Mass 11:00am</b>	<i>Jerina George RIP</i>
<b>Thursday 5<sup>th</sup></b> <i>Feast of St Birinus, Bishop</i>	<b>Mass 9:15am - St Modwen's Catholic Primary School</b> <b>Mass 9:30am</b> <b>Reception of Body into Church 5:00pm</b>	<i>School Community</i> <i>Tom and Gwen Giblin RIP</i>  <i>Peggy Hudson RIP</i>
<b>Friday 6<sup>th</sup></b> <i>Advent Feria</i>	<b>Requiem Mass 9:30am</b>	<i>Peggy Hudson RIP</i>
<b>Saturday 7<sup>th</sup></b> <i>Memorial of St Ambrose, Bishop, Doctor of the Church</i>	<b>Mass 9:30am</b>  <b>PARISH BAZAAR 12:00 noon</b> <b>Vigil Mass 5:00pm - Tutbury</b>	<i>P.K. Jose RIP</i> <i>Patrick Doyle RIP</i> <b>PARISH CENTRE</b> <i>Cyril Nwanunobi RIP</i>
<b>Sunday 8<sup>th</sup></b> <i>Second Sunday of Advent</i>	<b>Mass 9:00am</b> <b>Mass 11:00am</b> <b>Mass 6:00pm</b>	<i>Raymond Winctlester RIP</i> <i>People of the Parish</i> <i>A. Matthew RIP</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, Carolyn Edge, Richard Waldron, Andrew Poyser, Sue Rose, Chris Morris, Sadie Blackford, Martin Routledge, Marilyn Gough, Dolly Rothwell, Justin Oguora, Emily Woodward, John Woodward, Shaji Augusthy, Brian Hallam, Cathal Cushnahan, Nigel Weeldon, Ada Bagworth, Nigel Fermor, Clifford Mulcahy, Agnes Fitzgerald.

**MASS ATTENDANCE:** For last Sunday 515

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION:** Last Sunday: £687.43

**BUILDING & DEVELOPMENT / SECOND COLLECTION:**

Last Sunday Second Collection: **Catholic Youth Services:** £100.67

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

Next Sunday Second Collection: **Poor Parishes**

**OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY CENACLE GROUP:** Our Cenacle Prayer group meets **every Tuesday at 7:00pm.** All are invited and welcome to attend. Bring your petitions to Our Blessed Mother Mary. Thank you to current and future participants.

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

**SOUP KITCHEN:** A massive thank you to all parishioners for their generous donations of soup and beans. Thanks to your kindness we currently have supplies of everything but are low on VEGETABLE SOUP. Any donations can be placed in the labelled box at the back of church. We are welcoming approximately 20 people through our doors each week. Thank you and God bless. Elaine and the team.

**YEAR OF PRAYER, 3<sup>rd</sup> DECEMBER 2023 – 24<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2024:** In preparation for the 2025 Jubilee Year 'Pilgrims of Hope', 2024 has been designated a Year of Prayer by Pope Francis. It began on the First Sunday of Advent 2023 with a particular focus on the **Our Father**, this is a great opportunity to go back to the basics of prayer. Resources are available on the home page of the parish website.

**HOME VISITS:** Fr Stan and Fr Matthew are available for home visits and would like to visit the home of all parishioners. It would be great if parishioners could indicate interest and contact the parish office to arrange a date for your home visitation.

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:** Please note that we have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every week on Wednesdays at 10:00am. You are welcome to spend 1 hour with Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament before Mass.

**200 CLUB SUBSCRIPTIONS:**

<b>Winners 2024</b>	<b>1st – Prize</b>	<b>2nd – Prize</b>	<b>3rd – Prize</b>
NOVEMBER	104 – Ms D Rice	66 – Mrs C Hadley	230 – Mrs M Jennings
DECEMBER	158 – Mrs P Timon	130 – Mr J Kolad	79 – Mr D Jennings

Your cheques will be posted out to you very soon. THANK YOU – Margaret

**ADVENT RECOLLECTION:** As we begin the season of Advent, we will have Advent Recollection for the parish on Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> December in the Church from 7:00pm - 8:00pm. Please, you are encouraged you to attend.

**DIOCESAN VISION - UNFOLDING GOD'S PLAN:** We are called to be a Catholic Diocese which is: faithful to the mission entrusted to us by Jesus Christ full of missionary disciples who work together co-responsibly in vibrant communities of faith, joyful in their service of God and neighbour. To achieve our vision together, Archbishop Bernard Longley is asking us all to focus on these four areas:

**Evangelisation, Formation, Liturgy and Worship** and **Social Outreach**. He wants us to look at how we will individually respond to God's call to be missionary disciples in the Church and in our local communities, working joyfully together to spread the Word and the work of God. In essence, how will we unfold God's plan for us within our Diocese?

**Evangelisation...** Sharing our faith;      **Liturgy and Worship...** Celebrating our faith;  
**Formation...** Deepening our faith;      **Social Outreach...** Witnessing our faith.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION:** Catechism classes in preparation for Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation have started on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> November in the parish centre. For First Holy Communion: 9:30am to 10:30am; Confirmation: 11:00am - 12:00noon.

**rites of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA):** Adults who wish to be received into the Catholic Church should please register now with the priests for the Rites of Christian Initiation of Adults. The catechism will begin soon.

**PIETY SHOP:** Our Piety Shop, located in the Parish Centre, opens after 9:00am Mass on Sundays. Please come and have a look, we are selling advent candles, Christmas cards and many other religious articles. We still need more volunteers to help after 11:00am and 6:00pm Masses on Sundays. If you would like to volunteer, please see one of the priests. God bless.

**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 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> November and 1<sup>st</sup> December - alternatively red boxes can be taken to the Parish Office any Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday between 10.30am - 3.00pm during November. Thank you for your ongoing support for Missio via your Red Box contributions. Similar thanks to parishioners who rather than having a Red Box at home, have decided instead 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 during 2024 by our parish once confirmed in Spring 2025 by Missio HQ. - Paul Moon - Parish Missio Red Box Co-ordinator.

**LIFE CHARITY IN BURTON AND DERBY:** Sadly, the Life Charity Shop in Derby, which has been open for over 16 years, will be closing on 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2024. Donations have been gratefully received over these years. We will no longer be able to take donations to the Shop, but we do wish to continue with our "Baby Welcome Packs Project" which has been running for 10 years now. This Project involves the collection in boxes in this Church, of baby clothes 0-3 months of age, new and good quality second hand clothes and packets of nappies and baby toiletries. These Baby Packs are distributed to families with new babies locally. We thank you for your ongoing support. If you would like any more information, please contact Anne on 07732483530.

**11:00AM MASS THIS SUNDAY:** Will be the Enrolment Mass for candidates for Confirmation. They will also take the readings and bidding prayers.

<b>Next Sunday's Rota – 8<sup>th</sup> December 2024</b>			
	<b>9:00am Mass</b>	<b>11:00am Mass</b>	<b>6:00pm Mass</b>
<b>Reader</b>	Annamaria Joshy	Rosemary Scott	Jomy John
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	Gerry Gough	Pat Molloy	Angelina Dyche
<b>Tea &amp; Coffee</b>	Teresa McCallum & Mary Fermor	Patricia Carver & Christine Hardly	Jomy John & children
<b>Stewards</b>	Joseph Chacko	Gary Redfern & Paul Moon	Gabriella Kalmer
<b>Church Cleaning – Week Commencing</b>			
<b>8<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Mary & Tom		

**PARISH CHRISTMAS BAZAAR 2024 - SATURDAY 7<sup>th</sup> DEC, 12 NOON - 3:00PM:**

Our parish bazaar is next Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December. 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".

**If you can please donate the following as more items are needed:** Jewellery (including broken items), Watches (working or broken), Bottles for bottle tombola (at least 200 needed), Cans, Chocolates, Sweets, Cosmetics and Toiletries (unopened), Books, and Gifts appropriate for all stalls. Again, please bring all donations for the Bazaar to the parish office this week, ideally by Friday at the latest, to allow stall holders to set up on Saturday morning.

Donations of Cakes and Sandwiches – please bring to the Parish Centre on Saturday morning 7<sup>th</sup> Dec, Bazaar day, ideally before 11:30am.

**We encourage parishioners to participate actively in this main parish fundraising event.** Please come to the bazaar and get your friends and family to come along. God bless.

**RAFFLE TICKETS:** Please return all sold tickets and money or any unsold tickets to the presbytery before the bazaar. Please can you make sure that the name & telephone number (or address) have been written on the counterfoil of each sold ticket. Thank you.

**MEETING WITH VOLUNTEERS:** There will be a meeting of all volunteers and all involved in different ministries in the parish on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December. It will begin with Mass at 7:00pm. Please, endeavour to attend.

**GREENERY FOR CHRISTMAS CRIB:** Would those who can please bring some greeneries to Church for preparation of our Christmas Crib. God bless.

**PARISH SAFEGUARDING:** The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese's policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Denise Butler who can be contacted via e-mail at [sg.stmary-mod.burton-on-trent@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.stmary-mod.burton-on-trent@rcaob.org.uk) or alternatively, the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 or via e-mail [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concern. There is access to more information from the Diocese, the Catholic National Safeguarding Policy and support materials on the parish website: <http://www.maryandmodwen.org.uk>