

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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Parish office open for enquires between 9:00am and 3:00pm – Monday to Thursday

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B (Year of Prayer)

28th/29th September 2024

Twenty-Sixth Week in Ordinary Time: Mass & Readings: Year B. Weekdays – Ordinary Time Year II, Wk 26. Hours: Psalter Week 2

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| Saturday 28th <i>Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday</i> | Mass 9:30am Vigil Mass 5:00pm - Tutbury | <i>SVP Intentions</i> <i>Mark Hallam RIP</i> |
| Sunday 29th <i>Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> | Mass 9:00am Mass 11:00am Mass 6:00pm | <i>People of the Parish</i> <i>Deceased of the Rothwell and Kinane Families</i> <i>Shirley Bowen</i> |
| Monday 30th <i>Memorial of St Jerome, Priest, Doctor of the Church</i> | Mass 9:30am | <i>Deacon James Baxter RIP</i> |
| Tuesday 1st October <i>Memorial of St Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin, Doctor of the Church</i> | Mass 9:30am | <i>Deacon James Baxter RIP</i> |
| Wednesday 2nd Oct. <i>Memorial of the Holy Guardian Angels</i> | Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10:00am Mass 11:00am | <i>Jennifer Walker RIP</i> |
| Thursday 3rd October <i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i> | Mass 9:15am - St Modwen's Catholic Primary School Mass 9:30am | <i>School Community</i> <i>Liselotte Jackson</i> |
| Friday 4th October <i>Memorial of St Francis of Assisi</i> | NO MASS - Celebration of 120 years of Spiritans in Britain | |
| Saturday 5th October <i>Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday</i> | Mass 9:30am Vigil Mass 5:00pm - Tutbury | <i>Pawel God's Blessing</i> <i>People of the Parish</i> |
| Sunday 6th October <i>Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> | Mass 9:00am Mass 11:00am Mass 6:00pm | <i>Thressia Ouseph RIP</i> <i>Jerina George RIP</i> <i>Malahy Kelly 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, Margaret Hudson, Brian Hallam, Cathal Cushnahan, Nigel Weeldon, Ada Bagworth, Nigel Fermor, Clifford Mulcahy, Agnes (Nancy) Fitzgerald.

MASS ATTENDANCE: For last Sunday 430

OFFERTORY COLLECTION: Last Sunday: £742.13

BUILDING & DEVELOPMENT / SECOND COLLECTION:

Last Sunday Second Collection: **Father Hudson's Society:** £187.16

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

Next Sunday Second Collection: **CAFOD Harvest Fast**

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY CENACLE GROUP: Our Cenacle Prayer group meets **every Tuesday at 7:00pm.** Parishioners are invited and encouraged to enrol and be part of our Blessed Mother's 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. 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, 3rd DECEMBER 2023 – 24th 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.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER – For the cry of the earth: We pray that each one of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the earth and of victims of natural disasters and climactic change, and that all will undertake to personally care for the world in which we live.

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.

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.

200 CLUB SUBSCRIPTIONS: There are some numbers available. If you would like to take on an additional number or join the 200 Club if you are not already a member. Please place your money securely in a sealed envelope and marked with your name & number (if possible) and post/hand in at the Presbytery. THANK YOU – Margaret

11:00AM SUNDAY MASS CHOIR: Have you considered joining the choir at the 11:00am Sunday Mass? If you would like to sing with the choir, please come along. There are no long and difficult rehearsals involved. Just a brief practice in the Parish Hall before 11:00am Mass on Sunday.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES - *God walks with His people: Message of Pope Francis.* "God walks with His people", is the title chosen by Pope Francis for his [Message for the upcoming World Day of Migrants and Refugees](#) (WDMR), which is celebrated today Sunday, 29th September, 2024. In this message, the Holy Father reminds us that **all of us, God's people, are migrants on this earth**, on our way to the "true homeland", the Kingdom of Heaven. Migrants are a contemporary icon of this people on a journey, of the Church on a journey, and at the same time, it is in them and in all our vulnerable brothers and sisters that we can encounter the Lord who walks with us.

CHURCH CLEANING: We are appealing for more volunteers for the cleaning of the Church. Currently, there are **only two groups** cleaning the entire Church, and more hands are needed. The more the merrier! God bless!

PIETY SHOP: Our Piety Shop is now open for your religious articles. We still need volunteers who will help after Masses on Sundays to attend to those who would need to buy items from there. If you would like to volunteer please see any of the priests and indicate which of the Masses you usually attend and would want to help. God bless.

PARISH CHRISTMAS BAZAAR 2024 - SATURDAY 7TH DECEMBER 12 NOON - 3:00PM: There will be a meeting this Monday 30th September at 7:00pm in the Parish Centre for all interested in helping organise our major parish fundraising event. **Many volunteers are needed.** Thank you for giving your time. Looking forward to meeting with you. - Paul Moon.

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.

| Next Sunday's Rota – 6th October 2024 | | | |
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| | 9:00am Mass | 11:00am Mass | 6:00pm Mass |
| Reader | Benita Okhuoloigbe | Rosemary Scott | Jomy John |
| Eucharistic Minister | Gerry Gough | Rosemary Scott | Bill Moloney |
| Tea & Coffee | Teresa McCallum & Mary Fermor | Joyce & Margaret | |
| Stewards | Jerome Emery | Paul Moon & Gary Redfern | Gabriella Kalmer |
| Church Cleaning – Week Commencing | | | |
| 6th October | Rosemary, Cecilia and Paul | | |

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION: Registration is now open for children who do not currently attend St. Modwen's Catholic School and would like to do their catechism in Church in preparation for Reconciliation, First Holy Communion (children who will be 7 or over by May next year) and Confirmation (10 years and above). Parents or Guardians can download application forms from the parish website [Sacramental Preparation 2024 - Ss Mary and Modwen's](#) or collect their application forms from parish office during office open times (Monday to Thursday, 10:00am to 4:00pm). Meeting with parents and children is on Thursday 14th November at 6:30pm in Church, so registration needs to be completed by this date. Catechism classes start on Saturday 16th November in the parish centre, 9:30am to 10:30am (First Holy Communion); 11:00am to 12 noon (Confirmation). Please do not send the forms back electronically. Return the completed paper forms to the parish office.

THE LECTIONARY: A NEW TRANSLATION: A new edition of the Lectionary — using the English Standard Version - Catholic Edition and the Abbey Psalms and Canticles — will come into use in England and Wales on the **First Sunday of Advent, 1 December 2024**. The price for the Ambo Edition which is the standard Lectionary for parishes and Mass centres is **£695.00** for a set of four volumes, and we need two sets for our two Churches - St Mary and St Modwen, and St Christopher (i.e. **£1,390**). In addition to the Lectionary, we also need the Book of the Gospels which costs **£275.00**. If you would want to make a donation towards this, please see the priest. God bless.

120TH ANNIVERSARY OF SPIRITANS IN THE UK: We are celebrating the 120th Anniversary of the Spiritan Congregation in the UK on Friday 4th October 2024 in Manchester. We are delighted to be marking 120 years of dedicated service and mission.

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 or alternatively, the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 or via e-mail 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>