

Ss Mary and Modwen's Catholic Church, Burton

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St Christopher's Catholic Church, Tutbury

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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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Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

21st/22nd October 2023

Week 29 in Ordinary Time: Mass & Readings: Year A. Weekdays – Ordinary Time Year I, Week 29. Psalter Week 1

Saturday 21st <i>Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday</i>	Mass 9:30am Vigil Mass 5:00pm - Tutbury	<i>Michael & Bridget O'Donnell RIP</i> <i>People of the Parish</i>
Sunday 22nd <i>Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	Mass 9:00am Mass 11:00am Mass 6:00pm	<i>Audrey Gough RIP</i> <i>Augusthy Vadakkumcherry RIP</i> <i>Ann O'Sullivan RIP</i>
Monday 23rd <i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i>	Mass 9:30am	<i>Cleta Thanksgiving</i>
Tuesday 24th <i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i>	Mass 9:30am	<i>Special Intention</i>
Wednesday 25th <i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i>	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 10:00am Mass 11:00am	<i>John McGrain RIP</i>
Thursday 26th <i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i>	Mass 9:15am - St Modwen's Catholic Primary School Mass 9:30am	<i>School Community</i> <i>Mary Longe Intentions</i>
Friday 27th <i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i>	Mass 9:30am	<i>Mick & Maureen Coyle Intentions</i>
Saturday 28th <i>Feast of Ss Simon and Jude, Apostles</i>	Mass 9:30am Vigil Mass 5:00pm - Tutbury	<i>Liz & Damien Monteigh Intentions</i> <i>Mary Connerson RIP</i>
Sunday 29th <i>Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	Mass 9:00am Mass 11:00am Mass 6:00pm	<i>People of the Parish</i> <i>Gill Harris RIP</i> <i>Josefina & Guillermo Gonzalez 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, Eileen Davis, Chris Morris, Sadie Blackford, Martin Routledge, Marilyn Gough, Dolly Rothwell, Justin Oguora, Emily Woodward, John Woodward, Shaji Augusthy, Margaret Hudson, Gordon Adams, Brian Hallam.

MASS ATTENDANCE: 346

OFFERTORY COLLECTION:

Offertory Collection for last Sunday: £517.04

BUILDING & DEVELOPMENT / SECOND COLLECTION:

Development Fund running total: -£8,188.44

Last Sunday Special Collection: **Building and Development Fund:** £144.21

This Sunday Second Collection: **Missio**

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

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY CENACLE GROUP: Our Cenacle Prayer group takes place **every Tuesday at 7:00pm**. Thank you to all current and future participants. Parishioners are encouraged to join our Blessed Mother's Army. You still have the opportunity to enrol. 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.

ST MOD'S TIDDLERS: Sessions on Friday, from 10:00am to 11.30am in the Parish centre during school term time only. There will be 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.

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

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 at Church in preparation for Reconciliation, First Holy Communion (children who will be 7 or over by June next year) and Confirmation (10 years and above). Parents or Guardians can download application forms from the parish website <http://www.maryandmodwen.org.uk/sacramental-preparation-2023.html> or collect their application forms from parish office during office open times (Monday to Thursday, 10:00am to 4:00pm). Registration meeting is on Thursday 23rd November at 6:30pm in Church, so registration needs to be completed by this date. Catechism classes start on Saturday 25th November in the parish centre, 9:30am to 10:30am (Reconciliation and First Holy Communion); 11:00am to 12 noon (Confirmation).

YEAR OF PRAYER 2024: In preparation for the 2025 Jubilee Year 'Pilgrims of Hope', 2024 has been designated a Year of Prayer by Pope Francis. It starts this Advent. There is a particular focus on the *Our Father*, and this presents us with a great opportunity to go back to the basics of prayer.

DONATION: We will be happy to welcome more donations from parishioners and those who worship with us to support our parish. Thank you and God bless.

HOME VISITATION: Fr Stan and Fr Arthur have started home visitations and would like to visit the home of all parishioners. It would be great if parishioners could indicate interest, contact the parish office to arrange a date for your home visitation.

SAFEGUARDING: The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses 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>

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.

USE OF MOBILE TELEPHONES IN CONFESSIONALS: We have been advised that, due to the sacred nature of the confessional, clergy and penitents are requested not to have active mobile phones with them in the confessional. They should not just be put to silent mode but should be turned off before entering the confessional.

MASS OF THANKSGIVING: Bishop Stephen Wright will celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving at St Chad's Cathedral Birmingham on Friday 17th November at 12 noon. It is hoped that parishioners will be in attendance to celebrate with Bishop Stephen. Will those who want to go please put their names on the list at the back of Church.

ST MODWEN'S NURSERY: Places are available for St Modwen's Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. Please call St Modwen's Catholic Primary School (01283 247560) to arrange a visit or see the school website www.st-modwens.staffs.sch.uk.

VACANCIES - ST MODWEN'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL: Teaching Assistant (Grade 3), Term-time only, working hours 9:00am – 3.30pm (30 hours). Finance Assistant (Grade 3), Term-time only, working hours (12 hours) can be flexible and negotiated on appointment. Both posts required for immediate start, closing date Monday 23rd October 2023. See posters at the back of Church or the Parish website <http://www.maryandmodwen.org.uk>

ELECTRICAL PROJECT WORK: The Church electrical work started on Monday 16th October. The completion date is to be confirmed. For the duration of the work the Church will still be open for Masses as usual but will not be accessible at other times. Appropriate measures will be put in place to maintain safety for the use of the Church.

Next Sunday's Rota – 29th October 2023			
	9:00am Mass	11:00am Mass	6:00pm Mass
Reader	Gerry Gough	Vasso Vydelingum	Jomy John
Eucharistic Minister	Jerome Emery	Pat Molloy	Angelina Dyche
Tea & Coffee	John & Anne Ward	Patricia Carver & Christine Hardly	Bill & Margaret Moloney
Stewards	Rosily George	Paul Moon & Gary Redfern	?????
Church Cleaning – Week Commencing			
29th October	?????		

OUR PARISH IS OUR RESPONSIBILITY: Please remember, this is your Parish (Ss Mary & Modwen and St Christopher). You have inherited from the donations of previous generations of parishioners, beautiful churches in which to worship and celebrate the Mass, baptisms, weddings and funerals. We have a duty to ensure that this Parish is here for future generations. Please give careful consideration to increasing your regular financial contributions, even those who are unable to attend Mass, to ensure the future financial and spiritual wellbeing of our Parish. **You can contribute via standing order (preferred method - details available from Sr Bridget at the Parish office),** gift aid envelopes or a direct lump sum (cheque or cash). Envelopes or donations can be posted at the Presbytery at any time. Our parish, Ss. Mary and Modwen and St Christopher, still greatly needs your support. God bless.

GIFTAID: If you are a UK taxpayer, please sign up to "Gift Aid" your offering and / or donations to the parish. If you "Gift Aid" your offering/donations it means the parish can claim back the tax you paid on your donation. This effectively increases your offering/donation by 25% and you don't have to do anything. Without costing you extra, **"GIFT AID" and YOU GIVE MORE!** Please call at the Parish Office or see any of the priests after Mass for the appropriate forms.

STANDING ORDER AND GIFT AID FORMS: Would you, please, return your standing order and gift aid forms to the parish office or you give them to any of the priests after Mass. Please leave your phone number on the back (opposite side) of the form. **PLEASE REMEMBER TO ADVISE YOUR BANK TO SET UP THE STANDING ORDER.** Thank you and God bless.

2023 PARISH BAZAAR - Please save the date in your diary: Our 2023 Parish Bazaar will hold on **Saturday 2nd December 2023.** There will be another bazaar planning meeting on Thursday 9th November at 7:30pm in the parish hall. Those who have attended previously and more new volunteers are needed to attend. In addition to cuddly toys and jewellery, we are asking for bottles, cans, chocolates, sweets and gifts that will be appropriate for all stalls. Thank you.

BAZAAR PRICE LIST: Bazaar price list is on the board at the back of Church for parishioners to donate price gifts for our parish bazaar. Prices are to be brought in by Sunday 26 November 2023. Thank you.