

# 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

Parish Priest: Rev Fr Stan Nwanunobi, C.S.Sp.  
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## Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

### 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> November 2023

Week 31 in Ordinary Time: Mass & Readings: Year A. Weekdays – Ordinary Time Year I, Week 31. Psalter Week 3

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| <b>Saturday 4<sup>th</sup></b><br><i>Memorial of St Charles Borromeo, Bishop</i>                 | <b>Mass 9:30am</b><br><b>Vigil Mass 5:00pm - Tutbury</b>                       | <i>John McCaul RIP</i><br><i>John Quang and Paul The Intentions</i>                                             |
| <b>Sunday 5<sup>th</sup></b><br><i>Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>                      | <b>Mass 9:00am</b><br><b>Mass 11:00am</b><br><b>Mass 6:00pm</b>                | <i>People of the Parish</i><br><i>Sean Callaghan RIP</i><br><i>Thomas Reidy Intentions</i>                      |
| <b>Monday 6<sup>th</sup></b><br><i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i>                                    | <b>Mass 9:30am</b>                                                             | <i>Thanksgiving</i>                                                                                             |
| <b>Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup></b><br><i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i>                                   | <b>Mass 9:30am</b>                                                             | <i>Tom &amp; Gwen Giblin RIP</i>                                                                                |
| <b>Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup></b><br><i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i>                                 | <b>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 10:00am</b><br><b>Mass 11:00am</b>       | <i>Esther &amp; Gregory</i><br><i>Abhulimen RIP</i>                                                             |
| <b>Thursday 9<sup>th</sup></b><br><i>Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica</i>         | <b>Mass 9:15am - St Modwen's Catholic Primary School</b><br><b>Mass 9:30am</b> | <i>School Community</i><br><i>Michael Chukwudi RIP</i>                                                          |
| <b>Friday 10<sup>th</sup></b><br><i>Memorial of St Leo the Great, Pope, Doctor of the Church</i> | <b>Mass 9:30am</b>                                                             | <i>David Iregbu RIP</i>                                                                                         |
| <b>Saturday 11<sup>th</sup></b><br><i>Memorial of St Martin of Tours, Bishop</i>                 | <b>Mass 9:30am</b><br><b>Vigil Mass 5:00pm - Tutbury</b>                       | <i>B.M.C. Egbuziem RIP</i><br><i>People of the Parish</i>                                                       |
| <b>Sunday 12<sup>th</sup></b><br><i>Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>                    | <b>Mass 9:00am</b><br><b>Mass 11:00am</b><br><b>Mass 6:00pm</b>                | <i>Kathleen Mary Moody &amp; Patrick Lee RIP</i><br><i>Those who died in war</i><br><i>B.E.C. Nwanunobi 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:** For last Sunday 322

**OFFERTORY COLLECTION:** For last Sunday: £673.62

**BUILDING & DEVELOPMENT / SECOND COLLECTION:**

Development Fund running total: -£7,816.77

Last Sunday Special Collection: **Building and Development Fund:** £224.67

This Sunday Second Collection: **The Johnson Association**

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 can still enrol and are encouraged to join our Blessed Mother's Army. 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.

**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](http://www.st-modwens.staffs.sch.uk).

**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 23<sup>rd</sup> November at 6:30pm in Church, so registration needs to be completed by this date. Catechism classes start on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November in the parish centre, 9:30am to 10:30am (Reconciliation and First Holy Communion); 11:00am to 12 noon (Confirmation).

**MISSIO (RED BOX) AUTUMN 23 MAGAZINE:** - **available now** at the back of church. Please pick up a copy. Remaining copies of the Missio Summer 23 'Impact Report' are also there. Best wishes. Paul Moon, Parish Missio Red Box Co-ordinator.

**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](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>

**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.

**CHURCH HEATING:** Dear Parishioners, as you are aware energy prices remain high and we have had the heating off over the Summer period. During November we will be running a new programme of heating times to assess the effectiveness of the new times and to establish whether the cost is financially sustainable. Whilst we will be making every effort to establish an affordable programme it is advisable to come to church warmly dressed. We will keep you updated on costs.

**MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS:** Envelopes for November Dead List are at the back of Church. Please collect and place in the envelope the names of the dead that you would want to pray for, together with the offering for the Mass. Return as soon as possible to the Church or Presbytery.

**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.

| <b>Next Sunday's Rota – 12<sup>th</sup> November 2023</b> |                              |                                 |                        |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------|
|                                                           | <b>9:00am Mass</b>           | <b>11:00am Mass</b>             | <b>6:00pm Mass</b>     |
| <b>Reader</b>                                             | Mary Ann Imhoagene           | Pat Molloy                      | Paul Bowen             |
| <b>Eucharistic Minister</b>                               | Gerry Gough                  | Pat Molloy                      | Angelina Dyche         |
| <b>Tea &amp; Coffee</b>                                   | Mary Bird & Colette Kirkland | Rosemary Scott & Cecelia Denham | Jomy John and children |
| <b>Stewards</b>                                           | Mary Ann Imhoagene           | Paul Moon & Gary Redfern        | ?????                  |
| <b>Church Cleaning – Week Commencing</b>                  |                              |                                 |                        |
| <b>12<sup>th</sup> November</b>                           | ?????                        |                                 |                        |

**OUR PARISH IS OUR RESPONSIBILITY:** Please remember, this is your Parish (Ss Mary & Modwen and St Christopher). We 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.

**PARISH CHRISTMAS BAZAAR - Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2023:** Main draw tickets are available after all Masses today. Please buy or take some to sell to your friends. First prize is £500 cheque. If you can donate a prize for the main draw, please sign the list at the back of Church, then bring to the Parish Office clearly marked "Main Draw Prize". Donations for the bazaar can be left with the Parish Office from Monday 6th November. If you can please donate the following:

- Bottles - 200 items needed for the bottle stall, large or small
- Cans
- Chocolate - 200 items needed for the chocolate tombola - anything chocolate
- Sweets
- 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)
- Jewellery (including broken ones) and Watches (working or broken)
- Books, CDs and DVDs

Thank you for your generosity for our main parish fundraising event.

**DATE FOR YOUR DIARY - Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December: Friday Voices**, an award-winning choir from the local area, will present the traditional service of **Nine Lessons and Carols** at 7:30pm in St Mary and Modwen's Catholic Church. A beautiful selection of choral music for Advent and Christmas, interspersed with scripture readings for the season, will help us to prepare our hearts and minds at this busy time. No tickets required but there will be a retiring collection (suggested donation £5 per adult).