

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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Fourth Sunday of Easter, Year A

29th/30th April 2023

Week 4 of Easter: Mass & Readings: 4th Sunday of Easter – Year A. Weekdays – Weekdays of Easter. Psalter Week 4

Saturday 29th <i>Feast of St Catherine of Siena, Virgin, Doctor of the Church, Patron of Europe</i>	Mass 9:30am Vigil Mass 5:00pm - Tutbury	<i>Brother Joseph RIP</i> <i>Cyril & Evelyn Clemson RIP</i>
Sunday 30th Fourth Sunday of Easter	Mass 9:00am Mass 11:00am Mass 6:00pm	<i>Anthony Kerr-Delworth</i> <i>Ann O'Sullivan RIP</i> <i>People of the Parish</i>
Monday 1st May <i>Easter Feria</i>	Mass 10:00am	<i>Salvador & Philomena Disouza RIP</i>
Tuesday 2nd May <i>Memorial of St Athanasius, Bishop, Doctor of the Church</i>	Mass 9:30am	<i>Private Intention</i>
Wednesday 3rd May <i>Feast of Ss Philip and James, Apostles</i>	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10:00am Mass 11:00am	<i>Adrian Barry Smith, Augusto and Anna Maria</i>
Thursday 4th May <i>Feast of English Martyrs</i>	Mass 9:15am - St Modwen's Catholic Primary School Mass 11:00am	<i>School Community</i> <i>Private Intention</i>
Friday 5th May <i>Easter Feria</i>	Mass 9:30am	<i>Special Intention</i>
Saturday 6th May <i>Easter Feria</i>	Mass 9:30am Vigil Mass 5:00pm - Tutbury	<i>Thanksgiving</i> <i>People of the Parish</i>
Sunday 7th Fifth Sunday of Easter	Mass 9:00am Mass 11:00am Mass 6:00pm	<i>Paul Westwood healing</i> <i>Luca Carvey RIP</i> <i>Special Intention</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, Justina Okoye, Dolly Rothwell, Justin Oguora, Emily Woodward, John Woodward, Shaji Augusthy, Margaret Hudson, Gordon Adams.

MASS ATTENDANCE: 385

OFFERTORY COLLECTION:

Offertory Collection for last Sunday: £836.99

BUILDING & DEVELOPMENT / SECOND COLLECTION:

Development Fund running total: -£11,805.69

Last Sunday Second Collection: **Building and Development Fund:** £435.15

This Sunday Second Collection: **Clergy Training Fund**

Next Sunday Second Collection: **Building and Development 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.

ST MOD'S TIDDLERS: Sessions run on Fridays from 10:00am to 11.30am in the Parish centre during school 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.

MASS OFFERING: Envelopes for Mass Offerings are available 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.

GIFTAID: If you are a UK taxpayer, please sign up to "Gift Aid" your offering/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.

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

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

NEW OFFERTORY AND GIFT AID ENVELOPES: Please your new offertory and Gift Aid envelopes starting **6th April 2023** are ready for collection at the parish office. The envelopes will also be available for collection in the Parish centre after 9:00am and 11:00am Masses on Sunday. Thank you for your generous giving and support for the Parish. God bless.

200 CLUB: The winners for **APRIL 2023** are:

1st – 178 – Mrs K Atkinson, 2nd – 144 – Mrs N Foley, 3rd – 49 – Mr G Gough

Your cheques will be posted out to you very soon.

There are still some 2023 subscriptions due and quite a few 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 to the Parishioners who have already done this it has been a great help. Margaret

PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE - 14th TO 21st SEPTEMBER 2023: The Pilgrimage in September this year will be led by Bishop Ralph as the Spiritual guide. If you wish to travel with the group, or you need more information about the pilgrimage or Medjugorje, please contact Evangeline Lane on **07841 751179**.

Testimony from a Medjugorje pilgrim - It can be said that being on pilgrimage in Medjugorje is like "having a taste of Heaven". When our spiritual needs have been wonderfully met, then our physical needs will naturally decrease, and they become less and less important. While we are in Medjugorje, our hearts will experience extraordinary peace and happiness.

PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM - SATURDAY 13TH MAY 2023: The UCM (Union of Catholic Mothers) have organised a coach for this event. There are still a few seats left, the cost is £40 per person. Please add your NAME and PHONE NUMBER to the list at the back of Church if you wish to go. The coach will leave church at 7:00am, please bring a packed lunch & maybe a packed tea as well. We will be stopping at a Farm Shop on the way there and on the return journey where refreshments will be available. We should arrive at approximately 11:30am/12:00 noon at the Shrine. There will be a Pilgrim Mass in the Chapel of Reconciliation at 1:30pm. Followed by procession starting at 3:00pm to the Priory Grounds for prayers at the site of the Holy House. We will depart Walsingham at approximately 5:00pm for our journey home.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Volunteers are needed to help run children's liturgy for the 9:00am and 11:00am Masses on Sundays. If you would want to help, please speak to Fr Stan or Fr Arthur. God bless.

SOUP KITCHEN: Huge thanks to parishioners for the generous donations of Baked beans. We have now replenished our supplies. We are running short of Oxtail, mushroom and vegetable soup so would be grateful if you could spare just one tin which can be placed in box at back of church. We are welcoming over 20 people through the doors each week. Thank you and God bless. Elaine and team.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR MAY – For Church movements and groups: We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelisation each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.

Next Sunday's Rota – 7th May 2023			
	9:00am Mass	11:00am Mass	6:00pm Mass
Reader	Gerry Gough	Vasso Vydelingum	Paul Bowen
Eucharistic Minister	Jerome Emery	Rosemary Scott	Bill Moloney
Tea & Coffee	Ann Ward	Rosemary Scott & Cecelia Denham	Jomy John & Children
Stewards	Phillip Baxter	Paul Moon & Gary Redfern	?????
Church Cleaning – Week Commencing			
7th May	??????????????????		

HOLY YEAR 2025: Preparations have already begun in Rome for the Holy Year. The Theme is **Pilgrims of Hope** inviting us to reflect more deeply on Christian hope. This theme anticipates the 2000th anniversary of Christ's Death and Resurrection which we expect to be celebrated in 2033 as a Holy Year of Redemption. The Holy Father will soon be announcing two years of preparation for the Holy Year 2025. The first year will be focussed on the four constitutions of the Second Vatican council. The second year will focus on prayer. More details when available.

MAY ROSARY PROCESSION: There will be a Rosary procession on Saturday 13th May 2023 in honour of Our Blessed Mother Mary, Our Lady Queen of May. The procession will start from Ss Mary and Modwen's Church, Guild Street at 10:30am. More information is on the poster in the porch, on the parish centre notice board and on the parish website, <http://www.maryandmodwen.org.uk>. There will be light refreshment in the parish centre at the end of the procession.

CURSILLO: A Catholic movement with Papal approval, dedicated to spreading the Word of God and helping Catholics to form a closer relationship with Jesus Christ. The 3-Day Weekend provides adult faith formation within the experience of a loving Christian community together with the celebration of the Sacraments. The cost of the three days is £240. There is financial support available. No one should be excluded because of the cost. Website: <http://www.cursillouk.org>

Cursillo Weekend: Thursday 11 May (5.00pm) to Sunday 14 May (6.00pm), at Shallowford House, Shallowford, Near Stone, Staffs. ST15 0NZ
 Contact: Canon Michael Leadbeater - canon.michael.leadbeater@rcaob.org.uk
 Paul Northam (Office for Mission) - paul.northam@rcaob.org.uk

VOCATIONS SUNDAY: The Fourth Sunday of Easter is Vocations Sunday. In Scripture, we hear of Jesus, the shepherd who calls each of us to follow him. We ask to discern our own mission from Christ, and we pray in particular this weekend that those whom He calls to serve us as priests and deacons and in the religious life will hear and answer that call.