

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 Lent, Year C

8th / 9th March 2025

1st Sunday of Lent in Ordinary Time: Mass & Readings: Sunday - Year C. Weekdays – Year 1. Hours: Psalter Week 1

Saturday 8th <i>Saturday after Ash</i>	Mass 9:30am	<i>Holy Souls</i>
Wednesday	Vigil Mass 5:00pm - Tutbury	<i>Kathleen James Keane</i>
Sunday 9th <i>First Sunday of Lent</i>	Mass 9:00am Mass 11:00am Mass 6:00pm	<i>Sheila McGinty RIP</i> <i>Julia Mitchell RIP</i> <i>Steve Strama</i>
Monday 10th <i>Lent Feria</i>	Mass 9:30am	<i>Rosily George Birthday</i>
Tuesday 11th <i>Lent Feria</i>	Mass 9:30am	<i>Jude Mitchell RIP</i>
Wednesday 12th <i>Lent Feria</i>	Exposition/Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 10:00am Mass 11:00am	<i>Holy Souls</i>
Thursday 13th <i>Lent Feria</i>	Mass 9:30am	<i>Tom McDonald RIP</i>
Friday 14th <i>Lent Feria</i>	Mass 9:30am Stations of the Cross 6:30pm followed by Mass	<i>Holy Souls</i>
Saturday 15th <i>Lent Feria</i>	Mass 9:30am Vigil Mass 5:00pm - Tutbury	<i>Patricia Rattigan RIP</i> <i>Alan Bobby RIP</i>
Sunday 16th <i>Second Sunday of Lent</i>	Mass 9:00am Mass 11:00am Mass 6:00pm	<i>Fr Michael Crumpton RIP</i> <i>Julia Mitchell RIP</i> <i>People of the Parish</i>

CONFESSION: St. Mary & Modwen's Church every Saturday after 9:30am Mass. In addition, we will provide confession on request. Please avail yourself of the opportunity.

PARISH OFFICE CHANGES: Please note, with effect from the 3.3.2025, Sr Bridget will only be working at the parish from Monday to Wednesday each week and will be available for enquiries from 10:30am to 2:30pm on each of those days.

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, Justin Oguora, Emily Woodward, John Woodward, Shaji Augusthy, Brian Hallam, Cathal Cushnahan, Nigel Weeldon, Ada Bagworth, Nigel Fermor, Clifford Mulcahy, Agnes Fitzgerald, Chris Adkin, Margaret Mayo

MASS ATTENDANCE: For last Sunday 532

OFFERTORY COLLECTION: Last Sunday: £887.41

BUILDING & DEVELOPMENT / SECOND COLLECTION:

Last Sunday Second Collection: **Cathedral Maintenance:** £87.98

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

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

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.

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.

SOUP KITCHEN: We would like to thank all parishioners for their kind generosity towards the soup kitchen throughout 2024. Your ongoing donations of soup and/or beans will continue to be gratefully appreciated. God bless you all. Elaine and the team.

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

THE JUBILEE YEAR 2025: The Jubilee Year is now upon us and you are invited to participate. Access resources on the Archdiocesan website as we prepare for the Holy Year. With FAQs, a list of Jubilee Churches in the Archdiocese, a leaflet guide to the Jubilee and much more. Let us journey together as *Pilgrims of Hope*. The Jubilee Year will run from the opening of the Holy Door in St Peter's Basilica in Rome, on **Tuesday 24 December 2024** to the **Feast of Epiphany 2026.**



POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR MARCH - FOR FAMILIES IN CRISIS: Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts even in their differences.

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 a selection of religious articles, books and cards. 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.

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.

PRAYERS FOR POPE FRANCIS: As the Holy Father remains in hospital, we keep him close in prayer. Almighty and Eternal God, you are the everlasting health of those who believe in you. Hear our prayers for your sick servant Francis for whom we implore the aid of your tender mercy, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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.

LIFE CHARITY: On behalf of the National "Life Charity" in January 2014, The Baby Welcome Pack Project began. This project involved placing collection boxes in various Churches and Halls for people to donate a variety of Baby Clothing and Baby Toiletries. These items were collected monthly and distributed to Mothers and Babies locally. Over 11 years 542 Bags have been given to local families. They have always been received with such gratitude and thanks. Unfortunately, this Project is going to come to an end. Due to a reduced uptake and donations and support from our local Shop in Derby, which closed in December 2024. The last collections will be made at the end of March and Collection Boxes will be removed at the end of April. Any existing donations will be distributed until all stocks have been offered to families. On behalf of the Charity we would like to express and extend our utmost and sincere thanks for all the kind generosity, donations and support over the years. Yours sincerely, Anne and John.

RITE OF ELECTION: The Rite of Election will take place at St Chad's Cathedral this **Sunday 9 March at 3pm**, the First Sunday of the Lent. Archbishop Bernard will welcome all those adults who have been preparing for the sacraments whether Baptism or reception into full Communion with the Catholic Church – followed by Confirmation and the Eucharist, at Easter. Let us support them and pray for them for their journey of faith to the Sacraments of Initiation.

CANDIDATES FOR THE SACRAMENTS: This Sunday is a Day of Prayer for the Candidates for the Sacraments. In our parish we have Cee Tchuissi and Ochua Umoru who are Catechumens preparing for Christian Initiation, and Jonathan Bacon who is a baptised candidate to be received into full communion of the Catholic Church. Please remember to pray for them.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS & MASS: There will be Stations of the Cross each Friday during lent at Ss. Mary and Modwen's at 6:30pm, followed by Mass at 7:00pm. It is our Catholic practice. Please do try to attend.

Next Sunday's Rota 16th March 2025			
	9:00am Mass	11:00am Mass	6:00pm Mass
Reader	Graham Marshment	Rosemary Scott	Jomy John
Eucharistic Minister	John Ward	Pat Molloy	Angelina Dyche
Tea & Coffee	John & Anne Ward	Joyce & Margaret	Jomy John & Children
Stewards	Phillip Baxter	Gary Redfern & Paul Moon	Gabriella Kalmer
Church Cleaning – Week Commencing			
16th March	John & Anne Ward		

JUBILEE CHURCHES IN OUR ARCHDIOCESE: The following Jubilee Churches and sites have been chosen by His Grace as places of pilgrimage, and the granting of a plenary indulgence. [See Diocesan website for information on plenary indulgences].

St Chad's Cathedral – Shrine of St Chad

St Anne's Church, Caversham – Shrine of Our Lady of Caversham

Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Hednesford – Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes

St Michael's Church, Penn, Wolverhampton – Shrine of Blessed Carlo Acutis

The Immaculate Conception & St Egwin Church – Shrine of Our Lady of Evesham

Harvington Hall, near Kidderminster

Bl. Dominic Barberi Church & St John Henry Newman College, Littlemore, Oxford

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>