

Ss Mary and Modwen's Catholic Church, Burton

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This Parish is served by the Congregation of the Holy Spirit (Spiritans)

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Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

14th/15th Feb 2026

Sixth Sunday in Ord. Time: Mass & Readings: Year A. Weekdays: Year II Ordinary time. Hours: Psalter Week 2.

Saturday 14th <i>Feast of St Cyril, Monk, and St Methodius, Bishop, Patrons of Europe</i>	Mass 9:30am Vigil Mass 5:00pm - Tutbury	<i>Patricia & Hugo Cardona RIP</i> <i>Michael Glennon RIP</i>
Sunday 15th <i>Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	Mass 9:00am Mass 11:00am Mass 6:00pm	<i>Jerina George RIP</i> <i>People of the Parish</i> <i>Angela Swinson God's healing</i>
Monday 16th <i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i>	Mass 9:30am	<i>Vasile Dumitru God's healing</i>
Tuesday 17th <i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i>	Mass 9:30am	<i>Joju & Stenly Thanksgiving & Family Blessing</i>
Wednesday 18th <i>Ash Wednesday</i>	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10:00am Mass 11:00am Mass 7:30pm	<i>Mrs Pat Drozdecki RIP</i> <i>Holy Souls</i>
Thursday 19th <i>Thursday after Ash Wednesday</i>	Mass 9:30am	<i>Mcdonald family intentions & Michael Ward freedom</i>
Friday 20th <i>Friday after Ash Wednesday</i>	Mass 9:30am Stations of the Cross 6:30pm Mass 7:30pm	<i>Mark Timmons RIP</i> }For the duration of Lent }
Saturday 21st <i>Saturday after Ash Wednesday</i>	Mass 9:30am Vigil Mass 5:00pm – Tutbury	<i>Myra O'Brien RIP</i> <i>Brian Bourton RIP</i>
Sunday 22nd <i>First Sunday of Lent</i>	Mass 9:00am Mass 11:00am Mass 6:00pm	<i>Barry & Gladys Pickering RIP</i> <i>People of the Parish</i> <i>Patricia & Hugo Cardona RIP</i>

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND OF OUR PARISH:

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, Emily Woodward, John Woodward, Shaji Augusthy, Cathal Cushnahan, Carol Boulton, Agnes Fitzgerald, Chris Adkin, Bridget Hallam.

MASS ATTENDANCE: For last Sunday 506

OFFERTORY COLLECTION: Last Sunday: £844.92

BUILDING & DEVELOPMENT / SECOND COLLECTION:

Last Sunday Second Collection: **Building and Development £184.20**

This Sunday Second Collection: **Life Charity**

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

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY CENACLE GROUP: Our Cenacle Prayer group meets **every Tuesday at 7:00pm.** to pray the Rosary. Parishioners are invited and encouraged to join. Bring your petitions to the Blessed Virgin Mary, which you can put in the petition box in front of Our Lady's statue during Cenacle prayer. God bless.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR FEBRUARY – For Children with Incurable Diseases: Let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases and their families receive the necessary medical care and support, never losing strength and hope.

PIETY SHOP: Our Piety Shop, 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.

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.

PARISH CHRISTMAS BAZAAR RAFFLE WINNERS: The raffle winners' list is on the notice board, please have a look at it. If you are one of the winners, please collect your prize from the Presbytery. Please bring your ticket number for identification.

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.

NEW ARCHBISHOP OF WESTMINSTER: On the 19th of December 2025, His Holiness Pope Leo XIV appointed the Right Reverend Richard Moth as Archbishop of Westminster. Ordained to the priesthood for the Archdiocese of Southwark on 3rd July 1982, Archbishop-elect Moth has served as Bishop of Arundel and Brighton since 2015. Prior to that, he was the Catholic Bishop of the Forces from 2009 to 2015. Archbishop-elect Moth will become the 12th Archbishop of Westminster, succeeding Cardinal Vincent Nichols, who has served in the role since 2009. Cardinal Nichols will be Apostolic Administrator of the Diocese of Westminster until Archbishop-elect Moth is Installed, this weekend, at Westminster Cathedral on Saturday, 14th February 2026.

MISSIO 2026 CALENDARS: are now available at the back of the church for all who would like one. **Best wishes,** Paul Moon Parish Missio Co-ordinator

MISSIO RED BOXES: - The total raised during 2025 by parishioners with Red Boxes at home was **£486.03**. A **BIG THANK YOU** for your much appreciated, ongoing support for Missio. Your Red boxes are available to pick up from the back of church, along with a thank you note. When received from Missio HQ, look out for an update confirming the 'grand total' donated by our parish **through both** red box contributions and individual parishioners who donate directly.

LICHFIELD AND WALSALL DEANERY VISITATION [DATE CHANGE]: The visitations start on the 15th November 2025 until 22nd March 2026. Our own parish will now be visited on the **21st March & 22nd March 2026**. **NB. THE DATE HAS CHANGED AS ARCHBISHOP BERNARD WILL BE CONDUCTING THE VISIT TO OUR PARISH.** A schedule for the weekend will be published shortly. Please pray for the success of the Deanery Visitation.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We need volunteers to help in the cleaning of the church. Interested persons should see any of the priests or Ann Ward.

TRAINING FOR NEW & CURRENT ALTAR SERVERS: Training for NEW altar servers who have never served before will be held on Sunday 22nd February at 4:30pm. Training for ALL current Altar Servers will be held on Sunday 1st March at 4:00pm. Any queries please contact Matthew on 07442 010715.

rites of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): There will be a meeting with the adults who have already registered to be baptised or received into full communion of the Catholic Church. It will be in Church on Tuesday 17th February at 5:30pm.

RITE OF ELECTION: The Rite of Election will take place at St Chad's Cathedral on **Sunday 22nd February at 3:00pm**, the First Sunday of 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.

200 CLUB SUBSCRIPTIONS: Subscriptions for 2026 are now due. Margaret will be in the Parish Centre after each Mass on Sunday 22nd February and Sunday 1st March to collect your subs. Thank you to all who have already contacted me and paid. You can always put your subscriptions in an envelope with your name and number (if known) marked for my attention and leave at the presbytery, give to me at 11:00am Sunday Mass or hand to Angela Swinson at any time. There are still 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. It is £12 for the year to have a number in the draw. Prizes are £50, £20 and £10 each month. Thank you for your support. Margaret Barker.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: There will be Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent at 6:30pm, followed by Mass at 7:00pm. It is our Catholic practice. Please do attend.

SAFEGUARDING ISSUE: It has been brought to my attention that at some Masses, children occasionally go out to use the toilet unaccompanied. Could you please ensure that you go out to the toilet with your child at all times. Kind regards Denise.

Next Sunday's Rota 22nd February 2026			
	9:00am Mass	11:00am Mass	6:00pm Mass
Reader	Adrienne Imhoagene	Catherin Sijoy	Patricia Baka
Eucharistic Minister	John Ward	Pat Molloy	Bill Moloney
Tea & Coffee	Teresa McCallum	Patricia Carver & Christine Hardly	Jomy John & children
Stewards	Philip Baxter	Gary Redfern & Paul Moon	Nigel Weldon & Gabriella Kalmer
Church Cleaning – Week Commencing			
22nd February 2026	Patricia & Christine		

ASSISTED DYING BILL: The Assisted suicide pressure group, *Dignity in Dying*, along with other campaigners, are now lobbying MPs to try to use what is known as the Parliament Acts to bypass the House of Lords and force the assisted suicide Bill into law in the next Parliamentary session. It is very common for Private Members' Bills to fall because of insufficient parliamentary time. Forcing through the assisted suicide Bill using the Parliament Acts would set a concerning precedent that future Governments could bypass the House of Lords in passing legislation by encouraging MPs to take on non-manifesto commitments as Private Members' Bills.

Peers have provided scrutiny that was not possible in the House of Commons – you may recall that there was insufficient time at Report Stage in the Commons for dozens of important amendments to be debated. The real reason why extensive scrutiny has been required in the House of Lords is that the Bill sponsor in the Commons repeatedly ignored necessary amendments that were tabled at Committee and Report stages, and the sponsor in the Lords has also consistently failed to bring forward meaningful amendments to meet the concerns of professional bodies who would be tasked with implementing the Bill and of groups representing vulnerable people who would be put at risk by it. Despite this unprecedented move not being supported by public polls, assisted suicide pressure group, *Dignity in Dying*, is currently flooding MPs' inboxes with emails from supporters asking their MPs to support the use of the Parliament Acts to bypass the House of Lords and force the assisted suicide Bill into law in the next Parliamentary session. It's vital that it is clear to MPs that their constituents do not support this profoundly inappropriate attempt to force assisted suicide into law. Your MP needs to hear your views on this issue.

PLEASE TAKE ACTION – Visit the Right to Life Website, link below

<https://righttolife.org.uk/ascommons2026>

Take some time to read about what is happening. Enter your postcode to use the Right to Life Easy Action tool to write to your MP and ask them to oppose attempts to force the assisted suicide Bill into law by using the Parliament Acts to bypass the House of Lords.

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>