

# Ss Mary and Modwen's Catholic Church, Burton

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## Sixth Sunday of Easter 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2022

Year C Readings for Mass.

<b>Saturday 21<sup>st</sup></b> <i>Easter Feria</i>	<b>Mass 9:30am</b> <b>Mass 12:30 pm - Wedding</b> <b>Vigil Mass 5:00pm - Tutbury</b>	<i>John Gough</i>  <i>Holy Souls</i>
<b>Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup></b> <i>6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</i>	<b>Mass 9:00am</b> <b>Mass 11:00am</b> <b>Mass 6:00pm</b>	<i>Special intentions</i> <i>Rosemary Kersey (RIP)</i> <i>Pro Populo</i>
<b>Monday 23<sup>rd</sup></b> <i>Easter Feria</i>	<b>Mass 9:00am</b> <b>Requiem Mass 10:45am</b> <b>Reception into Church 6:30pm</b>	<i>Albert &amp; Evan Minehan</i> <i>Rachel Smith</i> <i>Giuseppina (Pina)</i>
<b>Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup></b> <i>Easter Feria</i>	<b>Mass 9:30am</b> <b>Requiem Mass: 11.00 am</b>	<i>Martin Leyland</i> <i>Giuseppina (Pina)</i>
<b>Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup></b> <i>St Bede the Venerable</i>	<b>Exposition 10:00am</b> <b>Mass 11:00am</b> <b>Vigil Mass 6pm: Tutbury</b>	<i>Patrick Aherne (RIP)</i>
<b>Thursday 26<sup>th</sup></b> <i>Solemnity of Ascension of the Lord</i>	<b>Mass 9:30am</b> <b>Mass 7:30pm</b>	<i>Liselotte Jackson</i>
<b>Friday 27<sup>th</sup></b> <i>St Augustine of Canterbury</i>	<b>Mass 9:30am</b>	<i>Healing of body and spirit for Jeff Rainer</i>
<b>Saturday 28<sup>th</sup></b> <i>Easter Feria</i>	<b>Mass 9:30am</b> <b>Vigil Mass 5:00pm - Tutbury</b>	<i>Holy Souls</i>
<b>Sunday 29<sup>th</sup></b> <i>7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</i>	<b>Mass 9:00am</b> <b>Mass 11:00am</b> <b>Mass 6:00pm</b>	<i>In Thanksgiving (CA)</i> <i>Marie Lodge</i> <i>Thomas &amp; Mary Moloney</i>

**Please note:** The sacrament of reconciliation is administered in our Parish every Saturday after 9:30am Mass and on request.

**Please pray for all the sick and housebound of the Parish:**

Mary Conway, Maya Whatton, Damian Walsh, Tony Mulcahy, Pat Lawton, Joe Emery, Sheila Chatterton, Kath Woodyet, Carolyn Edge, Richard Waldron, Andrew Poyser, Sue Rose, Eileen Davis, Chris Morris, Sadie Blackford

**Lord Grant Eternal Rest to those who have died recently:**

Giuseppina Piechowicz, Timothy Foster, Rachel Smith

**Offertory Collection:**

*Offertory collection last Sunday: £761.58*

**Building & Development:**

*B&D collections last Sunday: £77.61*

Development Fund running total: *-£19,267.87*

**SPECIAL/SECOND COLLECTIONS:**

*Second collections last Sunday: Diocesan Ukraine Support: £245.16*

**TODAY**, the Second Collection will be for **Building and Development Fund**

**Next Sunday** the Second Collection will be for **Catholic Communications**

**OFFERTORY ENVELOPES:** Please collect from the Presbytery after each of today's Masses or from the Parish office from Monday, 23.5.2022

**ST MOD'S TIDDLERS:** FRIDAY'S 10:00am to 11.30am in the Parish Hall. 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.

**REINTRODUCTION OF ALTAR SERVERS:** We are starting to reintroduce altar serving in the Parish. If you or your child wishes to resume altar serving, please contact Matthew Mills via email - [mills.matthew530@gmail.com](mailto:mills.matthew530@gmail.com)

**LATEST COVID GUIDANCE – Update (20.3.2022):** Whilst the legal requirements associated with Covid-19 no longer apply the Government continues to advise that we wear a face mask when in enclosed spaces. Therefore, in accordance with this advice, Diocesan guidance and our on-going duty of care for our parishioners, we will continue to:

- Ask you to wear face masks whilst in Church – Please bring your own mask and help us to reduce costs.
- Sanitise your hands on entering the Church.
- In addition, **we ask, out of respect for your fellow parishioners, you comply with our measures to reduce the risk of infection and to help ease the anxiety of those parishioners returning to Mass for the first time since the pandemic started.**

Our full guidance is available via a link on the home page of our Parish website, [www.maryandmodwen.org.uk](http://www.maryandmodwen.org.uk) Thank you for your co-operation at this time.

**THANK YOU FROM CAFOD:** Thank you to all parishioners of SS Mary & Modwen for your generous support to CAFOD this year and for your latest donation of £836.80 which we received on 28 April 2022. Thank you so much for being there for our global family.

**FR HUDSON'S CARE 2021 CRIB APPEAL:** Thank you for your kind donation of £36.47 of your Crib Collection and sharing your love and care with people in need this Christmas. I wish you God's blessings.

**MESSAGE FROM MARGARET BARKER:** I would like to thank the parishioners for the generous gift for my retirement. It was very kind of you all. Many thanks also for the personal gifts and cards that I received. I have enjoyed my many years of working with the 'St Mary & St Modwen Team' and thank you all for your support of me over the years. I will still see many of you at Church hopefully. *Love from Margaret*

**CALLING ALL LADIES OF THE PARISH:** The UCM (UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS) are recommending their monthly evening meetings starting from Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30pm in the Parish Centre. The group is open to ALL LADIES of the Parish; you do NOT have to be a Mother, a Catholic, or Married. You just have to be Female. Please feel free to come along and see what we get up to and decide if you would like to join us.

**ST MODWEN'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL VACANCIES:**

- (1) Grade 2 Midday Supervisors: 1 x Fixed Term, Term-time Grade 2 (SCP 2-3 £18,516-£18,887 pro-rata) – 6.25 hours per week, Fixed contract.
- (2) Grade 5 Senior Play Leaders; 4 x Fixed-Term, Term-time Grade 5 (SCP 6-9 £20,043-£21,269 pro-rata) – 7.5 hours per week, Fixed term contract 1.9.2022-31.8.2023.

**For full vacancy details see our Parish website or contact:** Headteacher: Mrs Andrea Sherratt; Phone: 01283 247565; Email: [office@st-modwens.staffs.sch.uk](mailto:office@st-modwens.staffs.sch.uk). For an application form and information regarding the responsibilities of the posts, job descriptions and person specifications visit [www.st-modwens.staffs.sch.uk](http://www.st-modwens.staffs.sch.uk)

**Closing Date: Noon Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2022. Interviews: Thurs 26<sup>th</sup> May 2022.**

**BISHOP'S CONFERENCE ON RETURN TO SUNDAY OBLIGATION:** The excerpt below is from the text of the message of the Catholic Bishops Conference of England and Wales on return to the obligation of attending Sunday Mass in person.

*"We understand there will still be some members of our congregations who, for reasons of health, do not feel safe enough to return to Mass. It has always been the understanding of the Church that when the freedom of any Catholic to attend Mass in person is impeded for a serious reason, because of situations such as ill health, care for the sick or legitimate fear, this is not a breach of the Sunday Obligation.*

*Our Catholic people and parishes have benefitted during these difficult times from the online streaming of Mass and other services. "Virtual viewing" of Mass online does not fulfil the Sunday Obligation. It may, however, be a source of continual spiritual comfort to those who cannot attend Mass in person, for example those who are elderly and sick, for whom the obligation does not apply. In this context, we recognise gratefully the ministry of those who administer Holy Communion to the elderly, sick and housebound. In the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, the Lord's Supper, the Lord Jesus entrusted to us the precious gift of Himself. With humility, we glory in being a Eucharistic people for whom attendance at Mass is essential. **Looking forward to the forthcoming feast of Pentecost, we now invite all Catholics who have not yet done so to return to attending Mass in person.**"*

[See our Parish website [www.maryandmodwen.org.uk](http://www.maryandmodwen.org.uk) for full text of the statement]

**DIOCESAN VACANCIES:** Currently the Diocese is seeking to fill a number of vacancies; Director of Education Services and Trustees for St. Mary's College Oscott. Further information and details are available on the Parish website, [www.maryandmodwen.org.uk](http://www.maryandmodwen.org.uk)

**GAP YEAR VOLUNTEERING AT SPIRITAN JUST YOUTH PROJECT:** Are you 18 to 25 and wish to support young people in their holistic growth, discover and develop their talents through Chaplaincy and other outreach programs? Please contact Just Youth on [www.justyouth.co.uk](http://www.justyouth.co.uk) and apply.

**DIOCESAN UKRAINE SUPPORT:** The Diocese encourages people to give directly to the Disaster Emergency Committee. The link to donate to the Disaster Emergency Committee appeal via CAFOD, which will maximise the funds provided as a result of the simpler Gift Aid process is as follows:

<https://cafod.org.uk/donations/picker?defaultuniversaltype=single&Appeal=123770>

In addition, Father Hudson's will continue to receive offers of accommodation and language services and to support and remain in touch with those who offer their help: For further information see: <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/your-help>

**PENTECOST CELEBRATION 2022:** On 5<sup>th</sup> June, 50 days after Easter, the Catholic Church worldwide celebrates the Pentecost Sunday. Through the events of the Pentecost, God demonstrated his intention to establish an inclusive Church by drawing members from every nation and tongue. It is only befitting that our parish bearing all the vestiges of multiculturalism should mark this convocation of the Church of Nations in a unique manner. In a symbolic gesture reminiscent of that event, I would want to encourage as follows:

- Volunteers from all language groups in our parish do the prayer of the faithful in their language for each of the four Masses that would be celebrated on that Sunday. Altogether, I am looking for four volunteers for each language group to meet me and express their interest to volunteer in that regard.
- Different nationalities in the parish adorn their native dress while attending Mass on Pentecost Sunday. Our God is a God of every colour.

**Note also:**

- There will be no vigil Mass on Saturday at Tutbury rather Pentecost Sunday Mass.
- The Lord's Prayer will be recited in native or national languages at every Mass.
- Sunday obligation is to be reintroduced on Pentecost Sunday.
- Livestreaming of our Masses will be temporarily suspended after Pentecost Sunday. We hope to install a more robust streaming kit when our funds improve.
- As directed by the Archdiocese, all collections on that Sunday are for the support of the mission of the Holy Ghost Fathers in over 65 countries of the world. As St Teresa reminds us, "Some give to the mission by going, others go to the mission by giving" Without your generous support, Christ will continue to suffer in the missions.  
- Fr Fabian

**MEETING WITH ALL PARISH VOLUNTEERS:** As earlier proposed, I would like to meet with all who are volunteering in any capacity in our Parish on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June, 7:00pm at the Parish Centre. With the reintroduction of Sunday obligation from Pentecost Sunday, there is now the need to update and harmonise our activities within the parish after the long layoff brought about by the pandemic. – Fr Fabian