

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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Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe 25th/26th November 2023

Week 34 in Ordinary Time: Mass & Readings: Year A. Weekdays – Ordinary Time Year I, Week 34. Psalter Week 2

Saturday 25th <i>Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday</i>	Mass 9:30am Vigil Mass 5:00pm - Tutbury	<i>Thomas Ramsay RIP</i> <i>People of the Parish</i>
Sunday 26th <i>Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe</i>	Mass 9:00am Mass 11:00am Mass 6:00pm	<i>Josephine McNern RIP</i> <i>Thomas Ramsay RIP</i> <i>Kenneth Odo Intentions</i>
Monday 27th <i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i>	Mass 9:30am	<i>Thomas Ramsay RIP</i>
Tuesday 28th <i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i>	Mass 9:30am	<i>Thomas Ramsay RIP</i>
Wednesday 29th <i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i>	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 10:00am Mass 11:00am	<i>Thomas Ramsay RIP</i>
Thursday 30th <i>Feast of St Andrew, Apostle</i>	Mass 9:15am - St Modwen's Catholic Primary School Mass 9:30am	<i>School Community</i> <i>Thomas Ramsay RIP</i>
Friday 1st December <i>Feast of St Edmund Champion, Priest, Martyr</i>	Mass 9:30am	<i>Thomas Ramsay RIP</i> <i>Michael Mitchell RIP</i>
Saturday 2nd <i>Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday</i>	Mass 9:30am 12:00pm: Parish Bazaar Vigil Mass 5:00pm - Tutbury	<i>Thomas Ramsay RIP</i> <i>Margaret Emery RIP</i> <i>People of the Parish</i>
Sunday 3rd <i>First Sunday of Advent</i>	Mass 9:00am Mass 11:00am Mass 6:00pm	<i>Henry Nolan RIP</i> <i>Carlo & Carmelina Morrne</i> <i>Thomas Ramsay 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, Paul Hughes.

MASS ATTENDANCE: For last Sunday 411

OFFERTORY COLLECTION: For last Sunday: £607.56

BUILDING & DEVELOPMENT / SECOND COLLECTION:

Development Fund running total: -£7,177.59

Last Sunday Second Collection: **Building and Development Fund:** £152.56

This Sunday Second Collection: **The Catholic Youth Service**

Next Sunday Second Collection: **Church Flowers for Christmas**

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY CENACLE GROUP: Our Cenacle Prayer group meets **every Tuesday at 7:00pm.** Thank you to current and future participants. Parishioners are invited and encouraged to enrol and be part of our Blessed Mother's 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 are suspended until further notice.

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

SOUP KITCHEN: Huge thanks to parishioners for the generous donations of soup and beans. We are running short of a few tins of baked beans, Oxtail, and vegetable soup so would be grateful if you could spare even 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 the team.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION: Catechism classes in preparation for Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation for children who do not currently attend St. Modwen's Catholic School have started on Saturday 25th November in the parish centre. For First Holy Communion: 9:30am to 10:30am; Confirmation: 11:00am - 12:00noon.

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.

11:00AM MASS THIS SUNDAY: We welcome our children from St Modwen's Catholic Primary School who will facilitate the 11:00am Mass. They will lead the entrance hymn, do the bidding prayer and offertory collection/procession. It will also be the Enrolment Mass for First Holy Communion candidates from St Modwen's Catholic Primary School. Please, let us support them and pray for them.

ENROLMENT MASS: 11:00am Mass next Sunday will be the Enrolment Mass for Confirmation candidates from St Modwen's Catholic Primary School.

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 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>

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.

MISSIO RED BOX HOLDERS: It's that time of year again for boxes to be emptied and monies transferred to Missio HQ. Please pass your red box to the stewards as you arrive for any Mass on Sundays Nov 19th, 26th and Dec 3rd - alternatively red boxes can be taken to the Parish Office any Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs between 10.30am - 3.00pm before Nov 30th. Thank you for your ongoing support for Missio via your Red Box contributions. Similar thanks to parishioners who rather than having a Red Box at home have decided instead to set up a monthly donation direct to Missio or make a 'one-off' donation during the year. **Thank You All.** I'll confirm the total amount raised during 2023 by our parish once confirmed in Spring 2024 by Missio HQ.

Best wishes - Paul Moon - Parish Missio Red Box Co-ordinator.

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.

Next Sunday's Rota – 3rd December 2023			
	9:00am Mass	11:00am Mass	6:00pm Mass
Reader	Rosily George	Pat Molloy	Paul Bowen
Eucharistic Minister	Gerry Gough	Pat Molloy	Bill Moloney
Tea & Coffee	Mary Bird & Colette Kirkland	Rosemary & Cecelia	Jomy John and children
Stewards	Joseph Chacko	Paul Moon & Gary Redfern	?????
Church Cleaning – Week Commencing			
3rd December	Patricia, Christine		

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 - This Saturday 2nd December 2023: Thank you for all the generous donations so far. If you have signed up to donate a prize for the main draw, please bring it to the Parish Office clearly marked "Main Draw Prize". Donations for the bazaar can be left with the Parish Office at the latest Friday this week. **If you can please donate the following as more items are needed:**

- Bottles - 200 items needed for the bottle stall, large or small, and 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
- Cakes and Sandwiches - to be brought on Friday or Saturday of bazaar.

Please return any sold draw tickets with money and any unsold tickets to the presbytery before the bazaar. If you can, please promote our bazaar at your workplace. Above all, please come to the bazaar and get your friends / family to come along. This is the main fundraiser and social event for the parish.

WORLD YOUTH SUNDAY: This Sunday, Feast of Christ the King, is World Youth Sunday, a day on which Pope Francis invites the global Church to celebrate and pray for young people. See <https://worldyouthsunday.org/wyd2023> for resources.