

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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Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, Year B (Year of Prayer) 23rd/24th November 2024

Solemnity of Christ the King: Mass & Readings: Year B. Weekdays – Ordinary Time Year II, Week 34. Hours: Psalter Week 2

Saturday 23rd <i>Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday</i>	Mass 9:30am Vigil Mass 5:00pm - Tutbury	<i>Philipose Varghese RIP</i> <i>People of the Parish</i>
Sunday 24th <i>Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe</i>	Mass 9:00am Mass 11:00am Mass 6:00pm	<i>Jerina George RIP</i> <i>Tina Laws RIP</i> <i>P.K. Jose RIP</i>
Monday 25th <i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i>	Mass 9:30am	<i>John Onwuemerie RIP</i> <i>Peter Ikechukwu Okoye RIP</i>
Tuesday 26th <i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i>	Mass 9:30am	<i>Lilly Kutty Jacob RIP</i>
Wednesday 27th <i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i>	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10:00am Mass 11:00am	<i>Phil and Lisa Holmes RIP</i>
Thursday 28th <i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i>	Mass 9:30am	<i>Holy Souls</i>
Friday 29th <i>Feria in Ordinary Time</i>	Mass 9:30am	<i>Gladys & Barry Pickering RIP</i>
Saturday 30th <i>Feast of St Andrew, Apostle</i>	Mass 9:30am Vigil Mass 5:00pm - Tutbury	<i>Albert & Eleen Minechan RIP</i> <i>Peggy Hudson RIP</i>
Sunday 1st December <i>First Sunday of Advent</i>	Mass 9:00am Mass 11:00am Mass 6:00pm	<i>People of the Parish</i> <i>Margaret Emery RIP</i> <i>P.K. Jose RIP</i> <i>Sabu Matthew God's Healing</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, Chris Morris, Sadie Blackford, Martin Routledge, Marilyn Gough, Dolly Rothwell, Justin Oguora, Emily Woodward, John Woodward, Shaji Augusthy, Brian Hallam, Cathal Cushnahan, Nigel Weeldon, Ada Bagworth, Nigel Fermor, Clifford Mulcahy, Agnes Fitzgerald.

MASS ATTENDANCE: For last Sunday 465

OFFERTORY COLLECTION: Last Sunday: £712.28

BUILDING & DEVELOPMENT / SECOND COLLECTION:

Last Sunday Second Collection: **Building and Development Fund:** £209.86

This Sunday Second Collection: **Catholic Youth Services**

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

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.

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

SOUP KITCHEN: A massive thank you to all parishioners for their generous donations of soup and beans. Thanks to your kindness we currently have supplies of everything but are low on VEGETABLE SOUP. Any donations can be placed in the labelled box at the back of church. We are welcoming approximately 20 people through our doors each week. Thank you and God bless. Elaine and the team.

YEAR OF PRAYER, 3rd DECEMBER 2023 – 24th DECEMBER 2024: In preparation for the 2025 Jubilee Year 'Pilgrims of Hope', 2024 has been designated a Year of Prayer by Pope Francis. It began on the First Sunday of Advent 2023 with a particular focus on the **Our Father**, this is a great opportunity to go back to the basics of prayer. Resources are available on the home page of the parish website.

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.

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.

200 CLUB SUBSCRIPTIONS:

Winners 2024	1st – Prize	2nd – Prize	3rd – Prize
AUGUST	99 – Mrs C Kirkland	149 – Mrs M Morris	7 – Miss C Kersey
SEPTEMBER	34 – Mrs C Pickering	189 – Mr D Jennings	27 – Mr D Scattergood
OCTOBER	140 – Mrs P Dennis	25 – Mr J Emery	170 – Daisy Baxter

Your cheques will be posted out to you very soon. THANK YOU – Margaret

ADVENT RECOLLECTION: As we begin the season of Advent, we will have Advent Recollection for the parish on Wednesday, 4th December in the Church from 7:00pm - 8:00pm. Please, I encourage you to attend.

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.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION: Catechism classes in preparation for Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation started on Saturday 16th November in the parish centre. For First Holy Communion: 9:30am to 10:30am; Confirmation: 11:00am - 12:00noon.

rites of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): Adults who wish to be received into the Catholic Church should please register now with the priests for the Rites of Christian Initiation of Adults. The catechism will begin soon.

OPPOSE ASSISTED SUICIDE: Unite in prayer and compassionate action to oppose



assisted suicide. Attempts are being made in parliament to legalise assisted suicide – so-called assisted dying. This would undermine the sanctity and dignity of human life. **ACT NOW!** Use your smartphone camera to scan the QR code to visit the Right to Life UK website. There you will find an easy way to contact your MP and ask them to stop assisted suicide being rushed into law. For more updated resources follow the link to the CBCEW website: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/opposing-assisted-suicide/>

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 advent candles, Christmas cards and many other religious articles. 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. God bless.

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 10th, 17th, 24th November and 1st December - alternatively red boxes can be taken to the Parish Office any Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday between 10.30am - 3.00pm during November. 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 2024 by our parish once confirmed in Spring 2025 by Missio HQ. - Paul Moon - Parish Missio Red Box Co-ordinator.

11:00AM MASS THIS SUNDAY: Will be the Enrolment Mass for candidates for First Holy Communion. They will also take the readings and bidding prayers. 11:00am Mass next Sunday will be the Enrolment Mass for candidates for Confirmation.

Next Sunday's Rota – 1st December 2024			
	9:00am Mass	11:00am Mass	6:00pm Mass
Reader	Graham Marshment	Vasso Vydelingum	Evangeline Lane
Eucharistic Minister	John Ward	Pat Molloy	Bill Moloney
Tea & Coffee	John & Anne Ward	Joyce & Margaret	Paul & Diana Bowen
Stewards	Joan Finney	Gary Redfern & Paul Moon	Gabriella Kalmer
Church Cleaning – Week Commencing			
1st December	John & Anne Ward		

PARISH CHRISTMAS BAZAAR 2024 - SATURDAY 7th DECEMBER 12 NOON -

3:00PM: Our bazaar is just two weeks away. Thank you for all the generous donations so far. A list of the main draw prizes is at the back of Church. If you can donate a prize, please sign the list of the main draw prizes at the back of Church. Then bring to the Parish Office clearly marked "Main Draw Prize". **Prizes are to be brought in by next Sunday 1st December 2024.** More of the following items are needed: Cuddly Toys (new or second hand nothing broken or dirty please), Jewellery (including broken ones), Watches (working or broken), bottles for bottle tombola (at least 200 needed), Cans, Chocolates, Sweets, Cosmetics and Toiletries (unopened), Books, CDs, DVDs, and Gifts that will be appropriate for all stalls, Cakes and Sandwiches - to be brought on Friday or Saturday of bazaar. **We encourage parishioners to participate actively in this main parish fundraising event.** Please come to the bazaar and get your friends/family to come along. God bless.

RAFFLE TICKETS: Main draw tickets are available after all Masses this weekend. Please buy or take some to sell to your friends. First prize is £500 cheque. When you sell tickets, please can you make sure that the name & telephone number (or address) have been written on each ticket counterfoil. **Please return any sold tickets with money and any unsold tickets to the presbytery before the bazaar.** Thank you.

LIFE CHARITY IN BURTON AND DERBY: Sadly, the Life Charity Shop in Derby, which has been open for over 16 years, will be closing on 23rd December 2024. Donations have been gratefully received over these years. We will no longer be able to take donations to the Shop, but we do wish to continue with our "Baby Welcome Packs Project" which has been running for 10 years now. This Project involves the collection in boxes in this Church, of baby clothes 0-3 months of age, new and good quality second hand clothes and packets of nappies and baby toiletries. These Baby Packs are distributed to families with new babies locally. We thank you for your ongoing support. If you would like any more information, please contact Anne on 07732483530.

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>