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)

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Solemnity of Pentecost - Year A
23rd / 24th May 2026

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time: Mass & Readings: Year A. Weekdays: Year II Eighth Sunday. Hours: Psalter Week 4.

Saturday 23rd ***Easter Feria***	**Mass 9:30am** **Mass 5:00pm - Tutbury**	*B.M.C. Egbuziem RIP* *Anonymous God's Blessing*
Sunday 24th ***Solemnity of Pentecost***	**Mass 9:00am** **Mass 11:00am** **Mass 6:00pm**	*People of the Parish* *Giuseppina Piechowicz RIP* *Hugo & Patricia Cardona RIP*
Monday 25th ***Memorial of Mary Mother of the Church***	**Mass 10:00am**	*Michael Brady RIP*
Tuesday 26th ***Memorial of Philip Neri, Priest***	**Mass 9:30am**	*Liselotte Jackson RIP*
Wednesday 27th ***Feast of St Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop***	**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10:00am** **Mass 11:00am** **Reception into church 6:00pm**	*John Joe McGovern RIP* *Patricia Anne Rooney RIP*
Thursday 28th ***Feast of our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest***	**Requiem Mass 9:30am**	*Patricia Anne Rooney RIP*
Friday 29th ***The Solemnity of Dedication***	**Mass 9:30am**	*Pat Mooney RIP*
Saturday 30th ***Feria in Ordinary Time***	**Mass 9:30am** **Vigil Mass 5:00pm – Tutbury**	*Mariam Mathew RIP* *Peggy Walford RIP*
Sunday 31st ***Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity***	**Mass 9:00am** **Mass 11:00am** **Mass 6:00pm**	*People of the Parish* *Rozanne Elias – Birthday* *Sarah Maxwell RIP*

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, Angela Swinson.

MASS ATTENDANCE: For last Sunday 748

OFFERTORY COLLECTION: Last Sunday: **£903.79**

BUILDING & DEVELOPMENT / SECOND COLLECTION:
Last Sunday Second Collection: Catholic Communications **£194.9**
This Sunday Second Collection: Appeal for Spiritan Mission
Next Sunday Second Collection: Building & 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.

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.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR MAY - That Everyone Might Have Food:
Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.

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.

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.

2026/2027 GIFT AID ENVELOPES: Thank you to all who signed up to Gift-aid your donations to the Parish. Your new envelopes, which will start on 6th April 2026 are ready for collection from the Parish Office. Again, thank you for your kind donations to the Parish. If you are a UK Taxpayer and have not signed up to Gift-aid your donation to the parish, please do sign up. It does not cost you any extra money. God bless.

200 CLUB SUBSCRIPTIONS:

2026 WINNERS	1st Prize	2nd Prize	3rd Prize
JANUARY	79 – M Jenning	181 – S Seaborn	14 – P Moon
FEBRUARY	166 – V Vydelingum	31 – M Seaborn	44 – R Millward
MARCH	21 – V Bailey	58 – E Jones	25 – J Emery

Your cheques will be posted out to you very soon. There are still quite a few numbers available, if anyone would like to join in the monthly draw please contact Margaret Barker. THANK YOU. Margaret.

APPEAL FOR SPIRITAN MISSION: There will be a mission appeal foe the Holy Ghost Fathers (Spiritans) at all Masses this weekend 24th May (Pentecost Sunday). You can use the gift-aid envelopes at the back of the church to gift-aid your donation. Please give generously to support our mission.

PARISH SOUP KITCHEN: Thank you for your kind and generous donations of soup. They have helped us to respond to the increased number visiting our soup kitchen. God bless. Elaine and team.

FR STAN'S SILVER JUBILEE CELEBRATION: Please join me in celebrating 25 years of my priestly ordination on Sunday 12th July 2026 at the 11:00am Mass. There will be refreshments and lunch in the hall after Mass. God bless. - Fr Stan, C.S.Sp.

PATRICIA ROONEY RIP: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Patricia Rooney, a longstanding parishioner, who died on Wednesday 22nd April 2026. Her funeral arrangements are as follows:

Patricia Rooney: Reception into Church - Wednesday 27th May, 6:00pm;
Requiem Mass - Thursday 28th May, 9:30am.

May God grant her eternal rest.

Next Sunday's Rota 31st May 2026			
	9:00am Mass	**11:00am Mass**	**6:00pm Mass**
Reader	Annmiya Tharappel	Catherin Sijoy	Paul Bowen
Eucharistic Minster	Jerome Emery	Carol Kersey	Angelina Dyche
Tea & Coffee	John & Anne Ward	Rosemary Scott & Cecelia Denham	Paul & Diana Bowen
Stewards	Philip Baxter	Gary Redfern & Paul Moon	Nigel Weldon & Gabriella Kalmer
Church Cleaning – Week Commencing			
31st May 2026	Elizabeth & Salama		

ASSISTED DYING (SUICIDE) BILL: Dear Parishioners, there is a very real possibility that the Assisted Dying (Suicide) Bill may be reintroduced to the House of Commons. Assisted suicide campaigners have made it clear that they are going to attempt to resurrect Kim Leadbeater's assisted suicide Bill in the new parliamentary session. Their plan involves persuading an MP successful in the Private Members' Bill ballot on 21st May 2026 to bring back the Leadbeater assisted dying (suicide) Bill – and then use the Parliament Acts to bypass the House of Lords to force it into law.

Taking the unprecedented route of using the Parliament Acts to bypass House of Lords' scrutiny of a Private Members' Bill would be politically explosive and divisive, setting a precedent that may worry many MPs. It would be the first time ever that the Parliament Acts would be used for a Private Members' Bill.

This is a hugely controversial and potentially dangerous bill please e-mail your local MP to ask him to vote against this bill. To quote Cardinal Vincent Nichols, "As Catholics we have a firm belief in the sanctity of life."

To send an e-mail you can use the website link below to access the Right to Life website. You will see the **"Take Action"** tab at the top of the home page if you click on this you will be helped to send a letter to our MP.

PLEASE TAKE ACTION NOW

https://righttolife.org.uk/

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.

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