

LITURGY

First reading: Isaiah 50:4-7

Response to the Psalm: My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

Second reading: Philippians 2:6-11

Gospel Acclamation: Christ was humbler yet, even accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all names.

Gospel:



Church Rotas

Masses	Eucharistic Ministers	Readers
5.00pm Sat 24 th March	Bud Sollis & Maria Martin	Anna Charles
10.30am Sun 25 th March	Christine Holdsworth	Pat Mitchell
8.00 pm Sat 31 st March		
10.30am Sun 1 st April	Tracy Volante	Pauline Burton & Christine Faulkner

Coffee Rota

25 th March	Lin Rea
1 st April	Tracy & Neil Volante

Children's Liturgy Rota

25 th March	Adriana and Vicky
1 st April	No Liturgy

Parish Safeguarding Representative:- Gemma Holdsworth
St. Mary's Catholic Primary School, Studley

has four Year 3 Pupil Vacancies for September 2018. Each year St Mary's Catholic Primary School offers four extra places in its YEAR 3 Class for a September start. If you are interested in applying for one of these places, please call the school office for an informal chat and tour of the school. Tel: 01527 852140.

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This parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham and served by the Benedictine Monks of Douai Abbey

Parish Priest: Fr. Benedict Thompson O.S.B



Palm Sunday of Lent Year (B)
Week commencing Sunday 25th March 2018

Registered Charity Number 1063237

Masses

Sat 24 th March	5 .00pm	Palm Sunday	Private Intention
Sun 25 th March	10.30am	Palm Sunday	Private Intention
Mon 26 th March			
Tue 27 th March			
Wed 28 th March			
Thurs 29 th March	7.00pm	Mass of the Last Supper	Followed by 'watching.'
Fri 30 th March	3.00pm	Passion of the Lord	Service at Mount Carmel Redditch
Sat 31 st March	8.00pm	Vigil	Service at Mount Carmel Redditch
Sun 1 st April	10.30am	Easter Day	People of the Parish

Collection weekend 17th/18th March was £315.49. Many thanks.

Prayers for the Sick: Doleen Evans, Faith Lyons, Steve Smith, Jane-Christina Thomson, Joan Smith, Derek Sollis, Michael Hall, Christopher Hurd, Edward O'Neill, Megan Hayes, Michael Smith, Barbara Wall, Pamela Young, Mick Sollis, Margaret Birkett, Nell Bridge, Joe Brennan, Annie McHugh, Georgette Cowell, Richard & Dolores Flynn, Carol Shuck, Tony Lyons.

Those who have recently died:

Jennifer Harvey, Anne Nora Finnegan, Mary Hadley, Barbara Flowers, Gerald Clarke, Alma Clarke, Eric George Dunton, Jill Smith, Paula Brookes, Jean McCarthy.

200 Club Draw for March 2018

1st Prize – Mrs. Lears (192) 2nd Prize – John Kearney (74)
 3rd Prize – Sarah Mitchell (44) 4th Prize – Kathleen Cotterell Lamb (54)
 Congratulations to all the winners and many thanks for your continued support.

PARISH EVENTS

TEA/COFFEE IS SERVED IN THE CONSERVATORY AFTER THE 10.30 AM MASS. *Please join us.*

Gift Aid and Standing Orders

Thank you to those people who responded to my appeal to complete Gift Aid and/or Standing Order Forms. A number have increased their weekly/monthly offerings. Some parishioners are under the impression that we receive financial support from Douai Abbey. In fact the opposite is true and all Mass Stipends and Stole Fees (namely offerings for weddings, funerals and baptisms etc.) have to be sent to Douai along with the Christmas and Easter Offerings. We also need to pay a diocesan and education levy of £5979 per annum. Added to this are the running costs of the church and the house, both of which are listed buildings. It has been estimated that to break even each year we need an income of around £600 per week! I realise that times are hard, but I believe it is important that you have the financial facts.

Easter Triduum

There is a form at the back of the church to be completed by those people who wish to take part in the 'Watching' in front of the Blessed Sacrament after the Holy Thursday evening Mass (29th March). Please do not leave any gaps when signing the form and begin at 8.20pm. We will continue to watch until we run out of volunteers albeit if that is before midnight.

Missio/Red Boxes

Please can all promoters collect the money from the Red Boxes and forward along with the accounts to Mary Cross by the end of March. Parishioners please help yourselves to the Missio magazines at the back of the church.

Thank you for your ongoing support.