



# PARISH OF SACRED HEART AND HOLY SOULS

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## FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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| SATURDAY 27TH                                   | 4.00-4.30pm<br>5.00pm        | Confessions<br>Vigil Mass<br>for Sunday | Ida & Angelo Lombardi  |
| SUNDAY 28TH                                     | 8.30am<br>10.00am<br>12 noon | Holy Mass<br>Holy Mass<br>Holy Mass     | Christopher, Ellen & Joe Stanley<br>Breda Burns<br>Teresa Shio & Margareth Ngalula |
| MONDAY 29TH<br>ST CATHERINE OF<br>SIENNA        | 10.00am                      | Holy Mass                               | Ellen McComville   |
| TUESDAY 30TH                                    | 10.00am                      | Holy Mass                               | Joe Moran  |
| WEDNESDAY 1ST<br>ST JOSEPH THE<br>WORKER        | 10.00am                      | Holy Mass                               | Bill Illes   |
| THURSDAY 2ND<br>ST ATHANASIUS                   | 10.00am                      | Holy Mass                               | Luciano Arienzo  |
| FRIDAY 3RD<br>FEAST OF<br>SS PHILIP & JAMES     | 10.00am<br>6.00pm<br>7.00pm  | Holy Mass<br>Adoration<br>Holy Mass     | Alizah Lewis<br>Pat Yule   |
| SATURDAY 4TH<br>FEAST OF THE<br>ENGLISH MARTYRS | 10.00am<br>10.30-11.30am     | Holy Mass<br>Adoration &<br>Confessions | Chris Norris   |

## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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| SATURDAY 4TH | 4.00-4.30pm<br>5.00pm        | Confessions<br>Vigil Mass           | Peter Fagan                 |
| SUNDAY 5TH   | 8.30am<br>10.00am<br>12 noon | Holy Mass<br>Holy Mass<br>Holy Mass | Bill Illes<br>Angela Martyn |

### THE CATHOLIC SCHOOLS IN OUR PARISH

**HOLY SOULS PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
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### SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY (SVP)

*NEED A VISIT? Are you elderly or housebound? Do you know of someone who is need of a visit?*  
*We can reach out to support people in need. FOOD BANK: Donations of non-perishable foods in the box in the porch.*  
**ENQUIRIES: 07983160730**

## THIS WEEK

**WELCOME** - To Mass this weekend. The Gospel reminds us of our communion together as God's Holy People within the Church. "I am the vine and you are the branches." The faith we live always comes from our life in Christ within the Church and lived out in different ways as branches of the one vine, Christ the Lord.

**LEISURE CLUB** - We will be meeting on Tuesday from 12 noon. Come and join us for some light lunch and company.

**EASTER GARDEN** - This continues to be a very special focus in the days of Eastertide. Some of the little plants of white and yellow now need replacing. Please can you bring some little plants to keep our garden going for the rest of the

**ANNUAL THANKSGIVING MASS FOR MARRIAGE** - An invitation is extended to married couples, those celebrating a milestone anniversary and those preparing to marry this year, to our annual Mass for Marriage at St Chad's Cathedral next Saturday 4th May at 12 Noon, followed by light refreshments. Please visit [www.vocations.org.uk/marriage-mass](http://www.vocations.org.uk/marriage-mass).

**PARISH TOTE** - The winning numbers are **4, 6, 7, 23**. One Jackpot winner- Sinead Kenny, 3 people had 3 numbers and receives £60 each. Ann Farrell, Maria Mulligan, Mary Bingo. Jackpot next week is £1,000 and will be drawn on Thursday 2nd May 2024 in the Social Club. Please ensure you are up to date with your payments as you have got to be in it to win it. Please deposit your completed Tote envelope in the box which is located on departure from the church or alternatively post through Presbytery letterbox no later than 12 noon on the day of the draw.

**MONTH OF MAY** - As Mary's month of May begins on Wednesday, our prayerful intercession to Our Lady takes place at this special time. One of the features is the creation of a May Altar at home - a simple place for an image of Our Lady to be displayed and honoured alongside some flowers. Consider setting this up in your home this week and do email us your photos which we can put on our website and facebook page.

## FUTURE EVENTS

**A PLACE OF WELCOME** - Our special group for those with special needs or none meets this in the Parish Meeting Room at 2.30pm. Everyone welcome!

**PRAYER GROUP** - Our next meeting will be Thursday 9th May after the morning Mass.

**BEREAVEMENT GROUP** - The next meeting will be on Wednesday 15th May after the morning Mass in the Parish Meeting Room.

**WELCOME MEETING WITH NEW PARISHIONERS** - It is a joy to welcome new parishioners to Sacred Heart and Holy Souls. Fr Jonathan & Fr Marco invite all those who have come to the parish in the last year or so to a welcome meeting on Tuesday 7th May at 7pm in the Parish Meeting Room. We would like to offer refreshments and chat with you about the parish and get to know you better. Please let us know if you can come.

**ROME & ASSISI PILGRIMAGE MAY 2025** - Fr Marco would like to lead us in a pilgrimage next year. At this stage, he would like to see if there any expressions of interest. Estimated cost of the pilgrimage is £1,400 for 6 nights. Please sign the list by the side door if you might be interested in going on the pilgrimage.

**CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS** - As mentioned in previous newsletters, next year we celebrate the jubilee of the opening of the first part of the church. It is a milestone for the parish. Thank you for all the ideas people have already sent in on how we can celebrate this moment. In the next few weeks we will be organising a meeting to get peoples ideas and form a working party to make our plans. We will keep you posted!

## OTHER PARISH NEWS AND INFORMATION

**SAFEGUARDING:** The Parish of Sacred Heart and Holy Souls operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times.

Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Aldora Johnson. They can be contacted at: [sg.holysouls.bham@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.holysouls.bham@rcaob.org.uk) or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 624 or email [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concern.

**PRAYERFUL CONGRATULATIONS** - To Mgr Timothy Menezes, the Dean of St Chad's Cathedral and Canon Richard Walker our Vicar General whom Pope Francis has appointed as new auxiliary bishops in the Archdiocese of Birmingham to support the Archbishop in his care of the Archdiocese alongside Bishop David Evans. Please keep them in your prayers as they prepare for ordination as bishops and take up their new responsibilities.

**CLUSTER GROUP OF PARISHES** - We are now committed to working together with local parishes to strengthen our mission as a Catholic community into the future. Our cluster group includes: The Friary, St Ambrose Barlow, St Thomas More, Corpus Christi, The Rosary, Holy Family and ourselves. In the next few weeks, a small steering group will be established with members from each parish to look at how we can work together into the future. Teams of volunteers will then be invited to look at aspects of our shared mission that we can work on together. Watch this space for more information.

## REACHING OUT TO OTHERS

**SVP CONFERENCE** - Do you know of anyone who is in need of a pastoral visit from the SVP or who may be in need? Please contact us through Mike on 07983 160730.

**URGENTLY REQUIRED** - A set of bunk beds for a young family with nothing. Can you help? Please let the SVP know or one of the priests.

**CRISIS IN SUDAN** - Cafod have been in contact seeking urgent support for the people of Sudan The war in Sudan has forced millions of people to flee their homes, creating one of the world's largest humanitarian crises. The situation is quickly getting worse, and people caught up in the middle of the conflict are now facing yet another crisis – hunger. People are running out of food, water and medicine and many families continue to risk their lives fleeing their homes to escape the fighting. An emergency retiring collection will be held next weekend to respond to this need. Thank you for your generosity.

**APF RED MISSION BOXES** - Last Year Sacred Heart and Holy Souls parish raised a fantastic **£10,156.18** through the Red Box and direct giving including Direct Debits and online donations. Thank you all for your continued generosity and support for the missions and also to the promoters for their hard work, dedication and time given to the APF. Please continue to support the work of the Red Box. If you don't already have a Red Box in your home and or would like information on other ways to donate, please call Sarah on 0121 7077735.

## HOLY SOULS SOCIAL CLUB

**Thursday Evening Bingo and Tote draw from 8pm.** It could be your lucky night!

**SATURDAY NIGHT ENTERTAINMENT** - This Saturday evening with John Murphy.

**BOOKING THE CLUB** - We invite you to use the facility for your family celebration and also as a venue for meetings to take place. We have good catering services to support your function as well. Contact Sarah Aldhouse on 07940 473593 if you would like to make a booking. You can be assured of a warm welcome and concern for all your booking needs from her. Email: [info@holysoulssocialclub.co.uk](mailto:info@holysoulssocialclub.co.uk). Please spread the news of the availability of our venue.

## AND FINALLY

It is a joy to have our school lead the music & readings at 10am Mass today and to receive the commitment of some of our young people preparing for Confirmation. Please pray for them.

May the joy and peace of the Risen Lord continue to remain with us.

**Fr Jonathan & Fr Marco.**

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

**Recently Deceased:** Sheila Beckett, Greg Boyle, Michael Flynn, Sophie Masterson, Zelmena Vickers, Michael Mulligan, Noreen (Nora) Clarke, Brian Tighe

**Anniversaries:** Maureen Ross, Pamela Edwards, Mary O'Donovan, Patricia Kelly, Bernard James, Francis Clarke, Francis Ryan, Ann Donohoe, Douglas Gee, Ann Mason, Sandra Aarons, Anne Hanly, William Brennan, Michael Feighan, William Burns, Joseph Filan, Annie Byrne, Elizabeth Cunningham, Pamela McLoughlin, James Daly, Gavin O'Neill Patrick Raftery, Bernadette Howard, Mary Bridget Maguire, Wendy Brown, Susan Patricia Bouhayed, Margaret 'Peggy' Keenan.

**Sick & Housebound:** David Cross, Ann Wilson, Tom Foley, Mary Doherty, Maureen Fox, Margaret Norris, William Moran, Patrick Collins, Sue Allen, Mary O'Driscoll, Jean Taylor, Mary Lloyd, Julia Donovan, Paddy Mitchell, Mary Pearmain, Kevin Creighton, Wendy Cain, Ron Powell, Elizabeth Connaughton, Francis Mooney, Kathleen & Tom Connaughton, Kathleen Sommers, Elizabeth McMahon, Liam Lewis, Adam Bridgewater, May Fagan, Jacqueline Crawford, Fr Michael Ho, John Farrell, Tasha Tibbetts, Dmitri Sataev, David Cahill, Josie Teal, Fergus Hannon.