## MASSES AND SERVICES

## 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 23rd February 2025

This weekend there will be a second collection for the Church Maintenance Fund

Saturday Sunday	5.30p 8.45a 10.30a	m People of the Parish
		Weekday Masses & Intentions
24.2 Mon	10.00am	Feria Kenneth John Cross RIP (Birthday Anniv) (Fr J)
25.2 Tue	10.00am	Feria Claire Robinson (MW)
26.2 Wed	10.00am	Feria Hélèna Philomena Morgan RIP (I&D M)
27.2 Thu	10.00am	Feria Dolores Bollard RIP (ME)
28.2 Fri	10.00am	Feria Isabel Cusack RIP (Moroney Family)
1.3 Sat	10.00am	St David Berney McGeever RIP (PM)

# 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2025

This weekend there will be a second collection for Cathedral Maintenance.

Saturday	5.30pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	8.45am	Sharon Longobardi (GS)
	10.30am	Mary Gilbey RIP (AC)

#### Confession Saturday morning 9.15am – 9.45am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Saturday 9am-9.50am Rosary – Monday to Friday 9.35am Saturday 10.30am Divine Mercy Chaplet – Friday after Mass

CHURCH CLEANING This week Next week	H Grosvenor M Fitzpatrick	S Chester A Robinson	
READERS	5.30pm	8.45am	10.30am
This week	M O'Dwyer	E Moroney Barnett	D Walmsley
Next week	E Linker	F Long	D Bixby

Parish Priest: Fr John Cross

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# Saint George and Saint Teresa of the Child Jesus, Catholic Church Serving Dorridge, Bentley Heath, Knowle & Hockley Heath

Jubilee Year 2025 Pilgrims of Hope The 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 23rd February



Dear Parishioners,

In his Pastoral Letter from 16/17 March 2024 Archbishop Bernard Longley wrote, "I am asking every parish in our Archdiocese - through the parish priests and deans- to establish pastoral councils. These gatherings of clergy and lay faithful, assisted by the prayers and participation of our Religious and our school communities, will pray and reflect together about the local mission of the Church. They will act as consultative bodies, informing and guiding the decisions that need to be taken as we look to the future. Thus, they will help us prepare for a closer working together of neighbouring parishes, with the likelihood of fewer clergy, the possible merger of parishes and the likely need to close some of our churches in the years ahead. Through our baptism we all have a share in the Priesthood of Christ and that invests in all of us a responsibility for the future of the Church."

Please help me to set up a Pastoral Council by praying for a successful outcome I would like to see a representative from the following areas: music, children's liturgy, Catholic education, readers and Eucharistic Ministers, prayer groups, cleaners, welcomers, refreshments, SVP, altar servers, weekday and weekend masses, Parish Committees. The parish clergy are ex officio.

Every Blessing Fr John

### Interested? Self-employed Cleaner

Columban Missionaries Britain are seeking a self-employed cleaner for Saint Columban's office in Solihull. You will be expected to do a weekly clean. Detailed tasks and responsibilities as well as days and hours will be discussed in due time. This is a long-term arrangement, and your Charity focal point would be the Mission Office Administrator, and you will meet with them when needed to plan the work required and to monitor progress. For more details about this arrangement, please contact or email the HR Advisor at 07562657382 or <u>Hr@columbans.co.uk</u>

**Father Hudsons** does amazing work around the Diocese with people who are homeless, running a care home, work with people with disabilities, refugees and much more. In March they are running a ball to raise funds for their work. It includes a 3-course meal and great band. Would you help support this great work by coming along?

Date: 15 March 2025 at St John's Hotel 651 Warwick Road Solihull B91 1AT. Start time: 19:00 - Tickets are £55 each. Table of 8 - £440. Please contact Kevin Hateley on kevinhateley@fatherhudsons.org.uk or 01675 434000

**200 Club:** Thanks to all that have paid their subs for 2025 there are still one or two outstanding. We have lost some members for various reasons, so new members would be very welcome to join. Forms are available in the narthex.

**2025 World Day of Prayer service** will be held on Friday 7th March at The United Reform Church, Station Road ,Knowle, 7.30pm.

The service has been inspired by Christian women from the Cook Islands with the theme of "I made you wonderful ".

A rehearsal will take place at 7.30pm on Friday 28th February at the URC.

Everyone is most welcome with refreshments available following the service.

As at present, we are without a representative for World Day of Prayer, if this is something you would like to consider or preferably for two people to take on this role, please contact Daphne Morgan 07909835665.

**First Holy Communion Catechism Class.** These will begin on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> March at 12noon in the conference room of the Parish Centre. Please contact roskelca@gmail.com

**Jubilee Year 2025 Pilgrims of Hope** "An Invitation to Begin Again" (Pope Francis 11 January) Ethnic Chaplaincies and Eastern Churches Intercultural Mass To mark the Solemnity of Pentecost Saturday 7 June 2025 12 noon Praying for Priestly Vocations Celebrant: Bishop David Evans Our Lady and St Brigid's Church, Northfield. Confirmation of Attendance and further information: Mgr Daniel McHugh 07812 110 640.

**Marriage Care:** Our marriage preparation and support service enables couples to nurture faithful and fruitful marriages that last, as we draw on Catholic Christian tradition and contemporary research to help couples focus on the quality of their relationship with each other. Through our relationship counselling service we accompany, with compassion and practical wisdom, couples who find themselves in need of support on their journey. www.marriagecare.org.uk

**Vacancies:** The Archdiocese is recruiting for the following four positions: Operations Director, IT Manager, Finance Manager and Gift Aid Officer. Full details and closing dates can be found at <u>www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/jobs</u>. If you think you have the skills, please do apply.

# Please pray for

**The housebound & the sick:** Jeremy Hawker, Janet Zora, Arthur Uzell, Fr. Michael White, Tony Parsons, Rod Goodman, Dr John Martin, Joe Stephens, Michael Grosvenor, Dorothy Perkins, Jill Baynham, Matthew Gallagher, Jane Cotter, Margaret Cosgrove and Jesse Cusack Morris, as well as parishioners in nursing homes and hospital.

Recently deceased: Eric Ewing, Hélèna Philomena Morgan, Isabel Cusack.

**Anniversaries (this week) from the last 20 years**: Joseph Carolan, Geoffrey Barnett, Philip Price. *May the souls of the faithful departed, Rest in Peace.* 

**Offertory**: 16.2.25: Gift Aid Envelopes £266, Loose Plate £194. Av standing order and online per week £620. Many thanks for your support. Mass Attendances last Sunday: 198.

Jubilee 2025 Pilgrims of Hope: See Fr Rob Taylerson on You Tube and parish website.

### Made me smile

A tanker full of cough mixture has shed its load on the M4, the Police say there won't be any congestion for eight hours.

Did you hear about the semi colon that committed a serious crime ? It was handed two consecutive sentences.

Have you heard about the new car made of chocolate ? It's called a Ferrari Rocher.

The brilliant chemist Francesco Rivella , inventor of Nutella, recently died aged 97. I hope there was a good spread for the mourners.

Naval Maths: Count all sea vessels, minus the ships. This leaves you with the sub total

I said to the man at the airport check-in "I'd like you to send this case to Moscow, that case to Melbourne, and the last one to Paris please?". He said, 'I'm sorry sir, we can't do that". I said, "Well you managed to do it last year!"

Parish Centre News. Timetable for next week on the noticeboard. If you are having a family occasion, please consider booking our hall for your venue. It is important that users of the Parish Centre arrange bookings (and payments for non-Parish Events) through Oksana Zurak 07967-846-963 or <a href="https://www.oksana.com">oksana.com</a>

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese's policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Sandy Walmsley and Daphne Morgan. They can be contacted at: <u>sg.stgeorge-</u> <u>stteresa.dorridge@rcaob.org.uk</u> or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 / <u>safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk</u> if you have any concern.