



PARISH OF ST. GERARD

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FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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Mass Times This Week

Sunday 2nd April
Mass 10:00am
Robert Sloan RIP

Monday 3rd April
No Mass

Tuesday 4th April
Mass 7:00pm
Jim Conroy RIP

Wednesday 5th April
Mass 9:00am
Jim Conroy RIP

Thursday 6th April
No Mass

7th April
Stations of the Cross 7:00pm

Saturday 8th April
No Mass

Please remember in your prayers:

The sick: Tina Parkes, Father Gabby Maguire, Chantelle Smith, Ann Grimes, Annie Roche, Pat Cook, Agnes Primus, Jamie Morris, Nancy Medd, Margaret Coyne, Norman Oliver, Irene Westwood, Bernadette Monaghan, Gillian Stanworth, and all the sick priests of the diocese.
May the Lord grant them the healing they require.

Recently died: Catherine (Kay) Downey RIP.
Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.
And all whose anniversaries occur this week.

Communion to the Sick and Housebound

If you know of anyone who is unable to go to Mass, and would like Communion, please contact Father Soji.

Mass Intentions If you would like to have a Mass celebrated for a particular intention: on behalf of a family member, a friend or a deceased loved one, there are Mass Intention envelopes available.

Prayer Requests: we are happy to include the names of those who have recently died; or whose anniversaries may occur, as well as additions to the sick list. Please let us know if you wish for your relatives or friends' names to be included. Also we would be grateful for any

Offertory Collection Last Week

Gift-Aid Envelopes	£88.00
Loose (Non Gift Aid)	£96.69
CAFOD	£15.00
Votive lights	£17.35
Total	£217.04



Thank you for your generosity!

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100 CLUB WINNERS

26th March

£30 J. Hall (34)
£15 P. Lightfoot (19)

Congratulations!

Holy Week Easter Masses

Palm Sunday 9 April: Mass 10:00am

Maundy Thursday 13 April: Mass
7:00pm &

Adoration till 12:00 midnight

Good Friday 14 April: Churches
together walk at 11:00am &
Service at **3:00pm**

Easter Vigil 15 April: Mass 7:00pm

Easter Sunday 16 April: Mass 10:00am



St Gerard's Catholic Primary School

'We Live, Love and Learn Together with
Jesus'



Mon 3 April: Sponsored Walk

Wed 5 April: Infant Palm Sunday Assembly
2.15pm

Fri 7 April: Year 2 trip to Selly Manor

School Website: www.stgerard.bham.sch.uk

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PARISH NOTICE BOARD



- ◆ **Mass attendance** last week: 70
- ◆ **Year 3 First Holy Communion** Commitment Mass today.
- ◆ **Easter Raffle:** Tickets on sale this week and next week.
- ◆ **Maundy Thursday:** Watching at the Altar of Repose, the list is on the wall at the back of Church. Please sign up to make sure there is someone in the Church until Midnight
- ◆ **Funeral:** Catherine (Kay) Downey Wednesday 19th April 12:30pm
- ◆ **Readers and Eucharistic Ministers:** Could readers and Eucharistic Ministers please let Ann Nicholls know which services they will be attending during Holy Week and Easter? Thank you.
- ◆ **Fully escorted 5 Night Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland,** 24th April 2017. £649 per person sharing. Price includes flight from Birmingham with 15kg checked in bag, all taxes, luxury transfers, 5 nights in newly refurbished Knock House Hotel with full Irish Breakfast each morning and 4 Course Dinner each evening. All entertainment, excursions and guided tours included. Wheelchair accessible rooms in the hotel. Limited single rooms at supplement of £50. Groups and Individual bookings welcome. Contact Patricia any time on 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com. Knock Pilgrimages is a member of the Travel Trust Association and is fully protected by ATOL.
- ◆ **Father Soji is now in Australia** for the next few weeks. In any emergency, parishioners can contact Fr. Neil Bayliss from Holy Cross, details of which are below.

Sainsbury's Vouchers

Please put your Sainsbury's Vouchers in the basket on the table in the Narthex.



USEFUL INFORMATION

- ◆ **Our Parish Safeguarding Officer** is Ann Nicholls.
- ◆ **When Father Soji** is away, and in any emergency, parishioners can contact Fr. Neil Bayliss from Holy Cross, Walmley on 0121 351 2161.
- ◆ **Newsletter;** If you would like news or events advertised in Sunday's newsletter, please contact Father Soji no later than Wednesday morning. See overleaf for contact details.
- ◆ **Baptisms;** Parent(s) have to attend Sunday Mass regularly. Please contact Father Soji to obtain an application form and make arrangements.
- ◆ **Sacrament of the sick;** parishioners are asked to approach a priest to receive sacrament of the sick before being admitted to hospital for treatment. If you are housebound or are unable to attend mass, a priest will be happy to visit you in your home.