



**PARISH OF ST. GERARD  
CASTLE VALE**

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**FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**  
**5th March 2017 Year A Page 151**

**Mass Times This Week**

**Sunday 5th March**  
Mass 10:00am  
Jimmie Corbett RIP

**Monday 6th March**  
No Mass

**Tuesday 7th March**  
No Mass

**Wednesday 8th March**  
Mass 9:00am in School

**Thursday 9th March**  
No Mass

**Friday 10th March**  
Mass 7:00pm &  
Stations of the Cross  
Marietta E. Calimag RIP

**Saturday 11th March**  
No Mass

**Please remember in your prayers:**

**The sick:** Father Gabby Maguire, Chantelle Smith, Ann Grimes, Annie Roche, Janet 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:** Margaret Brown RIP.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

**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

**Offertory Collection**

Gift-Aid Envelopes	£79.00
Loose (Non Gift Aid)	£172.74
Votive lights	£45.80
Piety	£20.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£317.54</b>



Thank you for your generosity!

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## 100 CLUB WINNERS

**26th February**

£30 Mary Teague (54)

£15 Adrian Cronnagh (92)

**Congratulations!**

### Today's Readers & Eucharistic Ministers

#### Readers

1st Reading: Michalina Stefan

2nd Reading:

Bidding Prayers: Anastazja Stefan

#### Eucharistic Ministers

Ann Nicholls

Stan Oliver

Frank Armstrong

### St Gerard's Catholic Primary School

'We Live, Love and Learn Together with  
Jesus'



**Wed 8 March:** Year 1 Mass with Y3/5

**Fri 10 March:** Year 3 Retreat Day to Alton  
Castle

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**School Website:**  
[www.stgerard.bham.sch.uk](http://www.stgerard.bham.sch.uk)

## PARISH NOTICE BOARD



- ◆ **Mass attendance** last week: 135
- ◆ **Second collection** today for Cathedral Maintenance.
- ◆ **Second Collection** next week for the Parish.
- ◆ **Father Soji is going to Australia** next Sunday, straight after Mass for missionary work. We wish him a safe and enjoyable trip.
- ◆ **Stations of the Cross** every Friday throughout Lent at 7.00pm
- ◆ **Father Soji will be visiting the sick** on 10th March with Frances Irwin and Shirley Harris.
- ◆ **Walk with Me booklets** are available for Lent. Please collect your copy from the table in the narthex.
- ◆ **The Legion of Mary House** are visiting between 19-26 August. We need accommodation for 10 people. If you are willing to help, please speak to Fr Soji as soon as possible. Thank you!



### USEFUL INFORMATION

- ◆ **Our Parish Safeguarding Officer** is Ann Nicholls.
- ◆ **When Father Soji** is away, and in any emergency, parishioners can contact Fr. David Neil 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.