



**PARISH OF ST. GERARD
CASTLE VALE**

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT- MOTHERING SUNDAY

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Mass Times This Week

Sunday 6th March
Mass 10:00am

Monday 7th March
Mass 7:00pm
Prayer Meeting after Mass

Tuesday 8th March
No Mass

Wednesday 9th March
No Mass

Introductory Alpha Meeting in
School Hall at 7:00pm

Thursday 10th March
Mass 9:00am

Friday 11th March
Mass 7:00pm
Marie Brady

Saturday 12th March
No Mass



Please remember in your prayers:

The sick: Pat Cook, Agnes Primus, Rita Wray, Jamie Morris, Nancy Medd, Margaret Coyne, Norman Oliver, Irene Westwood, Josephine & Bernadette Monaghan, Gillian Stanworth, and all the sick priests of the diocese. May the Lord grant them the healing they require.

Recently died: 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 amendments. Thank you.

Offertory Collection



Gift-Aid Envelopes	£90.70
Loose (Non Gift Aid)	£91.45
Second Collection (Parish)	£73.23
Votive Light	£12.50
CAFOD	£30.00
Donations	£124.00
Total	£421.88

Thank you for your generosity!

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100 CLUB WINNERS

28th February

£30 L Cockerill (88)

£15 J. Hough (3)

Congratulations!

THIRD TUESDAY SERVICE

Dates for the Third Tuesday Masses are below.
The service starts at 6.00pm and finishes at 9.00pm. Please see our website for more information.

15 March

19 April

17 May

21 June

19 July

*“Be merciful, as your father is
merciful”*

Luke 6:36

All welcome to attend!

St Gerard's Catholic Primary School

‘We Live, Love and Learn Together with
Jesus’



Friday 11th March: Year 2 trip to Selly Manor

Monday 14th March: Book Fair begins

(Monday to Friday)

For more information visit our

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

PARISH NOTICE BOARD



- ◆ **Happy Mother's Day** to all mums in our parish!
- ◆ **Second Collection** today for Cathedral Maintenance.
- ◆ **Rose Powel's Lent Retreat** is next Sunday 13 March for one hour after Mass. If you would like to attend, please give your name to Father Soji so we can keep track of numbers.
- ◆ **Alpha Meeting this week:** If you didn't sign up for the Alpha Course but would like to know more about it for next time, please come to the Introductory meeting this week on Wednesday 9th March at 7:00 pm in the School Hall. Come along and find out more about it!
- ◆ **St Gerard's School Lenten Fundraising:** Children are being sponsored to learn the alphabet and a special song using British Sign Language. Let's help them to raise lots of money for charity. Their Alphabet and Sign2Sing challenge takes place on Monday 7th March. Take a look at their efforts on the school website.
- ◆ **Accommodation for The Legion of Mary**, who are visiting very soon, 26th March- 2nd April. Thank you to those who have already volunteered, but we still need accommodation for around another 7 people. If you are willing to help, please speak to Fr Soji as soon as possible!
- ◆ **Sainsbury's Vouchers:** There is a basket at the back of Church for the vouchers. They are now printed with your receipt so please watch out for them. The school really appreciates them as they contribute greatly to the PE resources for the children.
- ◆ **Communion to the sick** will be given on the first Friday of the month. Kindly inform if anyone is in need to Frances Irwin or Fr. Soji.
- ◆ **The Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage** leaves on 28 May, returning on 3/4 June, depending on the method of travel (air/coach). By Coach with various pick-up points; ferry from Calais: Fares from £407.00. By Air from Birmingham Int: Fares from £695.00. If anybody is interested, please speak to Graham Martin who has further details of costs etc, at stgerardscv.rc@gmail.com

USEFUL INFORMATION

- ◆ **Our Parish Safeguarding Officer** is Ann Nicholls.
- ◆ **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.