



## PARISH OF ST. GERARD

### CASTLE VALE

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## PALM SUNDAY

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### Mass Times This Week

**Sunday 20th March**  
Mass 10:00am  
Ann & John Doran RIP

**Monday 21st March**  
Mass 7:00pm

**Tuesday 22nd March**  
No Mass

**Wednesday 23rd March**  
Mass 9:00am

**Maundy Thursday**  
**Thursday 24th March**  
Mass 7:00pm

**Good Friday**  
**Friday 25th March**  
Stations of the Cross 12 noon  
Mass 3:00pm

**Holy Saturday**  
**Easter Vigil**  
**Saturday 26th March**  
Mass 7:00pm



**Holy Week**

### Please remember in your prayers:

**The sick:** Oscar Hughes, Phyllis Reidy, 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.

### 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	£64.60
Loose (Non Gift Aid)	£49.76
Newspapers	£3.05
Votive Light	£10.26
Sehion Donation	£40.00
Parish donation	£20.65
<b>Total</b>	<b>£188.32</b>



Thank you for your generosity!

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## 100 CLUB WINNERS

### 13th March

£30 A Wheeler (46)

£15 G Bowen (42)

### Congratulations!

## EASTER SERVICES FOR HOLY WEEK

**24 March:** Maundy Thursday 7:00pm

**25 March:** Good Friday Stations of the Cross 12 noon

**25 March:** Good Friday Service 3:00pm

**26 March:** Easter Vigil Saturday 7:00pm



## St Gerard's Catholic Primary School

'We Live, Love and Learn Together with  
Jesus'



**Wed 23 March:** End of term Mass

**Thurs: 24 March:** End of term— school closes  
for Easter

**Mon 11 April:** Start of term. School opens

**For more information visit our**

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

## PARISH NOTICE BOARD



- ◆ **Collection on Good Friday** for Holy Places.
- ◆ **Second Collection next week** for the Easter Offering for our clergy.
- ◆ **Second Collection for the Parish** which is usually at the end of the month will now be on 3 April instead.
- ◆ **Easter raffle:** You can buy tickets both before and after Mass today. The raffle will be drawn next week on Easter Sunday. Good luck!
- ◆ **Maundy Thursday Watching List** "My soul is very sorrowful, even to death; remain here, and watch with me." Jesus asked his disciples to watch with him. Please put your name on the list on the noticeboard.
- ◆ **Holy Saturday:** Sophie, Carolyn Humphery & Heather Amanda Baird are being received into the church on Holy Saturday.
- ◆ **Legion of Mary** visit from 26 March– 2 April.
- ◆ **Church Cleaning:** We are very short of Church cleaners. We are very grateful to Shirley Harris and Bernie Sloan for their great efforts. If we have more cleaners on the rota then it makes the load much lighter. It would be good to get a rota of 6 people which would mean that the you would only need to do it every 3 weeks.
- ◆ **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. Please speak to Graham Martin who has further details of costs etc.



## 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 at-