



**PARISH OF ST. GERARD
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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT
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Mass Times This Week

Sunday 12th March
Mass 10:00am
Bill Murphy RIP

Monday 13th March
No Mass

Tuesday 14th March
Mass 7:00pm
Jim Conroy RIP

Wednesday 15th March
Mass 9:00am
Jim Conroy RIP

Thursday 16th March
No Mass

Friday 17th March
St Patrick's Day
Mass and
Stations of the Cross 7:00pm

Saturday 18th March
No Mass

Please remember in your prayers:

The sick: 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: Jim Conroy, Janet Roache, Phillip Hird 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

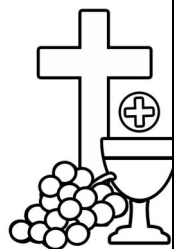
If you know of anyone who is unable to go to Mass, and would like Communion, please contact Father Soji.

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	£83.00
Loose (Non Gift Aid)	£129.89
Cathedral Maintenance GA	£17.40
Cathedral Maintenance Non GA	£17.96
Votive lights	£28.55
Restoration Fund	£24.45
Sehion Community	£40.00
Total	£341.25



100 CLUB WINNERS

5th March

See notice board for last week's winners.

Congratulations!

Today's Readers & Eucharistic Ministers

Readers

1st Reading: Anne-Marie Hayes

2nd Reading: Serephina

Bidding Prayers: Sarah Hayes

Eucharistic Ministers

Shirley Harris

Frances Irwin

Sarah Hayes

St Gerard's Catholic Primary School

'We Live, Love and Learn Together with Jesus'



Mon 13 March: Book Fair in school this week/

Fri 17 March: Year 5 Class assembly.

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

PARISH NOTICE BOARD



- ◆ **Mass attendance** last week: 81
- ◆ **Fr. Shyju** will be celebrating Mass with us today.
- ◆ **Second Collection** today for the Parish.
- ◆ **Today is a Day of Prayer** for the Candidates for the Sacraments, and Dementia Prayer week. The Pastoral Care Project aims to "raise awareness of the spiritual needs of the frail elderly- enabling carers to support them in their journey to the fullness of life." Please visit www.pastoralcareproject.org.uk for more information.
- ◆ **Eleanor Perkins** (Aggie Maher's granddaughter) will be talking today about her work in Brazil and appeal for help.
- ◆ **The funeral of Jim Conroy** is at 9:00am on Monday 30 March. We pray for Linda and Jim's family and friends at this time.
- ◆ **Wishing everybody** (an early) Happy St. Patrick's Day!
- ◆ **Father Soji is now in Australia** for the next few weeks. In any emergency, parishioners can contact Fr. David Neil from Holy Cross, details of which are below.
- ◆ **Stations of the Cross** every Friday throughout Lent at 7.00pm
- ◆ **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.