



**PARISH OF ST. GERARD
CASTLE VALE**

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**TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
EDUCATION DAY**

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Mass Times This Week

Sunday 11th September
Mass 10:00am
Mary Court RIP

Monday 12th September
Funeral Mass
of Robert McVey at 10.30am
with Fr Jerry Lennon.
Mass will be followed by
cremation at Sutton Coldfield
Crematorium

Tuesday 13th September
No Mass

Wednesday 14th September
No Mass

Thursday 15th September
No Mass

Friday 16th September
No Mass

Saturday 17th September
No Mass

Please remember in your prayers:

The sick: Annie Roach, Janet Roach, Doreen Jones, 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

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

Offertory Collection

Gift-Aid Envelopes	£74.36
Loose (Non Gift Aid)	£79.34
Votive Lights	£14.37
Sehion Donation	£40.00
Restoration Fund	£26.41
Total	£234.48



Thank you for your generosity

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100 CLUB WINNERS

28th August

£30 M. Powis (71)

£15 M Teague (54)

4th September

£30 K Lightfoot (11)

£15 D Nicholls (53)

Congratulations!

THIRD TUESDAY SERVICE

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

20 September

18th October

15th November

*"Be merciful, as your father is
merciful"*

Luke 6:36

St Gerard's Catholic Primary School

'We Live, Love and Learn Together with
Jesus'



Fri 21st October: Break up for Half Term

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

PARISH NOTICE BOARD



◆ **Mass attendance** last week: 96

◆ **Fr Pat Collins** will say the homily today, as Father Soji is away in India.

◆ **September 11th:** On this, the fifteenth anniversary of the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, we pray for those who were killed, for the consolation of their families and friends, and for an end to terrorism.

◆ **Second Collection today** for the Catholic Education Service.

◆ **Second Collection next week** for Home Mission Sunday.

◆ **The Club;** St Gerard's club continues to pay rent to our parish and they have asked that we promote the use of the club for hire for baptisms, funerals, marriages and parties. Please contact the Manager, Dennis on 0121 747 4378 for further details.

◆ **Alpha Group Bible Studies;** The Bible Studies group will start this Thursday 15th September in the school staff room at 7:00 pm.

◆ **Year of Mercy 2016 talks by Oscott College;** For more information please see the poster on the notice board. The first talk is on 19 September and is by Mgr John Hadley on the subject of Justice & Mercy. Admission is free and all sessions start at 8.00pm.

◆ **Canon John Udris** will be leading the service for our Third Tuesday Service next week, on 20th September.

◆ **Archbishop Longley.** On 24th November, the Archbishop will be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation at 7:00pm. This is quite an event for the parish and all parishioners are welcome to attend

◆ **Prayer meeting** every Wednesday from 6.30-8.00pm either in the church or in the presbytery

◆ **Legion of Mary:** Every Thursday there will be a Legion of Mary prayer meeting from 7.00-8.00pm in the Presbytery.

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