

# PARISH OF ST. GERARD CASTLE VALE

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**Sunday 19th November** 

Mass 10:00am

Michael Bolger RIP

Please remember in your prayers:

The sick: Lisa Purcell, Bridie McAlinden, Mary Baines, Tina Parkes, Father Gabby Maguire, Chantelle Smith, Annie Roche, Pat Cook, 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.

Monday 20th November No Mass **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.

### Tuesday 21st November School Mass in Church 9:00am

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.

Wednesday 22nd November No Mass **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.

### Thursday 23rd November Mass 9:00am

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Friday 24th November Mass 7:00pm **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

## Saturday 25th November No Mass



### **Offertory Collection Last Week**

 Gift-Aid Envelopes
 £52.00

 Loose (Non Gift Aid)
 £136.24

 Votive Lights
 £14.52

 Rent
 £10.00

 Total
 £212.76

Thank you for your generosity

### 100 CLUB WINNERS

### 12th November

Please see notice board for last week's winners.

Congratulations!

### Today's Readers and Eucharistic Ministers

#### Readers

First Reading & Psalm: Frank Armstrong
Second Reading: Kesy Djomotchouamou
Bidding Prayers: Margaret Dunsford

#### **Eucharistic Ministers**

Shirley Harris Frances Irwin Sarah Hayes

### St Gerard's Catholic Primary School

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'We Live, Love and Learn Together with Jesus'



Tues 21 Nov: Years 2/4/6/Reception Mass Fri 24 Nov: Christmas Fair, 5.00 to 7.00 pm

Mon 27 Nov: Teacher Day - School closed to pupils

Tue 28 Nov: Year 5 Class Mass, 9.00am

#### **School Website:**

www.stgerard.bham.sch.uk

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### PARISH NOTICE BOARD



- ♦ Mass attendance last week: 86
- ◆Second Collection next Sunday for the Catholic Youth Service.
- ◆ Msgr Timothy Menezis, the Vicar General, is celebrating mass on 3rd December.
- ◆OAP Christmas Meal at St Edmund Campion Catholic School, 20th December, 1.30-4.00pm. Organised by Sixth-formers for OAPs, students are offering a two-course meal with entertainment free of charge. Collection is from St Gerard's Church and you'll be dropped off at your home on the return journey. Frances Irwin has posted a sign-up sheet on the notice board with more details. Please add your name if you'd like to attend, and speak to Frances for more info.
- Mr. Robert Walsh is the evangelization officer for our parish. He will be conducting Bible sharings and house visits. If you'd like to get in touch, details are here. Email: robjamwa@gmail.com Tel: 07751638461.
- ◆ The Season of Advent: In preparation for Christmas, over the four weeks of Advent, there will be an opportunity immediately after Sunday 10am Mass to spend some time sharing our thoughts about the day's readings. Tea and coffee will be available and everyone is welcome. Mr. Robert Walsh will lead the sessions.
- ◆ Christmas Raffle; We are starting to collect raffle prizes and would be grateful to anybody who could help by donating any of the following please. Cash donations to make up £100 and £50 cash prizes, whiskey, hamper prizes, chocolates, bottle of wine. Thank you for your help!
- ◆Bible Sharing Class is every Thursday, between 7:00-8.00pm. All welcome.
- ◆Adoration before every Holy Mass. We will have one hour Adoration with Rosary.

## USEFUL INFORMATION

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