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Fourth Sunday of Lent Mothering Sunday

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Mass Times This Week

Sunday 11th March

Mass 10:00am
First Holy Communion
Commitment Mass

The Wilson family

Monday 12th March

No Mass

Tuesday 13th March

Mass 9:00am
The Wilson family

Wednesday 14th March

Requiem Mass of
Mary Mullen 1:00pm

Thursday 15th March

No Mass

Friday 16th March

Mass 7:00pm
Peruvelil family

Saturday 17th March

Mass at 10:00am
Feast of St Patrick

Sunday 18th March

Mass 10:00am

Please remember in your prayers:

The sick: Wendy Walsh, Frank Armstrong (Senior), Lisa Purcell, Bridie McAlinden, Mary Baines, Tina Parkes, Father Gabby Maguire, Annie Roche, Pat Cook, Jamie Morris, Nancy Medd, Irene Westwood, Bernadette Monaghan, Gillian Stanworth, & 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 Last Week

Gift aid	£84.00
Non-gift aid (loose)	£140.83
Votive lights	£15.15
Piety	£10.00
Cathedral maintenance- GA	£18.30
Cathedral maintenance (loose)	£15.12
Donation	£93.00
Total	£376.40



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100 Club Winners

Please see the notice board
for last week's winners

Congratulations!

Today's Readers and Eucharistic Ministers

Readers

Year 3 Holy Communicants

Eucharistic Ministers

Ann Nicholls

Stan Oliver

Frank Armstrong

St Gerard's Catholic Primary School

'We Live, Love and Learn Together with
Jesus'



Book Fair in school this week

Wed 14 March: Parents' evening

Thu 15 March: Parents' evening

Fri 16 March: Dress-down day

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

Parish Notice Board



- ◆ **Mass attendance** last week: 75
- ◆ **Happy Mother's Day** to all the mums in our parish.
- ◆ **First Holy Communion** Commitment Mass today.
- ◆ **East Raffle** starts today. Please support as much as possible with prize donations and tickets. Tickets are available to buy before and after mass.
- ◆ **Second collection today for Cathedral Maintenance.** Mass attendance across Birmingham and the diocese was severely affected last weekend due to the snowy weather conditions. As such, all parishes have been asked by the Diocese to have another collection. The cathedral is heavily reliant on the generosity of parishioners, so thank you for everybody's support.
- ◆ **Second collection next week** for our Easter flower fund.
- ◆ **Funeral of Mary Leontia Mullen** is Wednesday 14th March at St Gerard's at 1:00pm, followed by Sutton Coldfield Cemetery at 2:30pm. Mary will be received into church on Tuesday 13th March.
- ◆ **Maryvale is offering an Evening of Recollection** of Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Eucharist on 24th March during Lent. If you would like to attend, please speak to Father Soji.
- ◆ **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.