



Parish of St. Gerard, Castle Vale

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Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Armistice Day—Remembrance Day

11th November 2018

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Mass Times

Sunday 11th November

Mass 10:00am
Wendy Walsh RIP

Monday 12th November

Mass 12.00am

Tuesday 13th November

Mass in school 9.00am
Mass 12.00pm in Church

Wednesday 14th November

Mass 12.00pm

Thursday 15th November

Healing Service 5pm-7pm
Mass at 7pm

Friday 16th November

Mass 7pm

Saturday 17th November

No Mass

Sunday 18th November

Mass 10:00am

Please remember in your prayers:

The sick: Thomas Walker, Father Gabby & 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	£58.50
Non-gift aid (loose)	£109.87
Second Collection Gift Aid	£35.80
Second Collection Non Gift Aid	£29.57
Votive Lights	£15.85
100 Club	£70.00
Total	£319.59



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Today's Readers & Eucharistic Ministers

Readers

Bidding prayers: Benedict Chadutza

Eucharistic Ministers

Ann Nicholls

Frank Armstrong

Stan Oliver



Parish Notice Board

- ◆ **Mass attendance** last week: 82
- ◆ **Today marks 100 years since the Armistice** was signed in November 1918, bringing an end to the First World War. Appropriately, this year Armistice Day coincides with Remembrance Sunday for its centenary. May we remember all the men and women of Britain and the Commonwealth who served in the First and Second World Wars and in subsequent conflicts since, and keep them in our prayers.
- ◆ **The Archdiocese hearing** in the Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse (IICSA) begins in London on Monday 12 November, and runs until Friday 16 November. The Archdiocese believes that the work being done by IICSA is of great significance and supports the aim of strengthening and improving safeguarding practices and cultures within the Church. The welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults is a fundamental priority for the Archdiocese. Fostering a culture which has safeguarding at its very heart remains a key part of our work. If you would like to speak to someone about safeguarding and the Church's work, please call **0121 230 6240**. If you would like to speak to someone independent of the Church you can contact the NSPCC on **0808 800 5000**. Please pray with us for all victims of abuse, and for all those involved in the work of this important Inquiry. Last weekend's Pastoral Letter on this matter can be found on the Archdiocese website <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/>
- ◆ **Every Mon- Wed** we have special intercessory prayers from 10 am till 3pm also on Fri + Sat 4pm-9pm for the parish & Anointing Fire Catholic Ministries. Thur 5pm-8pm Healing Mass, Spiritual Sharing, Confessions, Adoration, Praise and Worship. We will also have intercessory prayers along with the exposition of the blessed sacrament as well. Everyone Very Welcome.

Blessing of the Graves 2018

Newhall: Sun 18 Nov 2.30pm

Witton: 25 Nov 2.30pm

Handsworth: date tbc

St Gerard's Catholic Primary School

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USEFUL INFORMATION

- ◆ **Our Parish Safeguarding Officer** is Ann Nicholls.
- ◆ **When Father Soji** is away, and in any emergency, parishioners can contact Fr Noble Tel 075 231 755 10
- ◆ **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.
- ◆ **Confession timings:** 9am-9:30am (Sunday) .
- ◆ **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.