



Parish of St. Gerard, Castle Vale

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Second Sunday of Lent - Day of Prayer for the Candidates for the Sacraments

Dementia Prayer Week

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Mass Times

Sunday 17th March

St Patrick's Day

Mass 10:00am
with Fr Kevin Hughes
Joan Callaghan RIP

Monday 18th March

No Mass

Tuesday 19th March

Feast of St Joseph

Mass 9:00am
in the school for Year 4
with Fr. Biju

Wednesday 20th March

No Mass

Thursday 21st March

No Mass

Friday 22nd March

Stations of the Cross
7:00pm

Saturday 23rd March

No Mass

Sunday 24th March

Mass 10:00am
Mass with Fr. Biju for
Guy Baccelliere RIP

Please remember in your prayers:

The sick: Lesley Armstrong, Thomas & Valerie Hughes, Perry Desmond, Philip Fox, Kevin Hollis, Wendy Walsh, Bridie McAlinden, Father Gabby Maguire, Pat Cook, Jamie Morris, Nancy Medd, 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	£
Non-gift aid (loose)	£
Votive Lights	£
Total	£

Thank you for your generosity



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Today's Readers & Eucharistic Ministers

Readers

First Reading: Anne-Marie Hayes

Second Reading: Anne-Marie Hayes

Bidding prayers: Sarah Hayes

Eucharistic Ministers

Ann Nicholls

Frank Armstrong

Stan Oliver

Parish Notice Board



- ◆ **Mass attendance** last week: 84
- ◆ **Happy St Patrick's Day** to all our Irish parishioners and their families!
- ◆ **Second Collection today** for CAFOD Lent Fast Day.
- ◆ **During the season of Lent** there will be Stations of the Cross at 7:00pm every Friday.
- ◆ **Adoration** before every Holy Mass. We will have one hour Adoration with Rosary.
- ◆ **Every Monday - Wednesday** we have special intercessory prayers from 10 am till 3pm for the parish, the Anointing Fire Catholic Ministries and Sehion UK ministries. We will have mass at 12 noon. We will also have intercessory prayers along with the exposition of the blessed sacrament as well.

St Gerard's Catholic Primary School

'We Live, Love and Learn Together with Jesus'



Tue 26 March: Mass Y5/1/3, 9.00am

Wed 27 March: Years 5/6 Alton Castle Residential (to Friday)

Sat 14 April: First Holy Communion Commitment Mass, 10.00am

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



Useful Information

- ◆ **Our Parish Safeguarding Officer** is Ann Nicholls.
- ◆ **When Father Soji** is away, and in any emergency, parishioners can contact Fr. Noble on 07523175510
- ◆ **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.