

Parish of St. Gerard, Castle Vale

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“O God, who in the abasement of your Son have raised up a fallen world, fill your faithful with holy joy, for on those you have rescued from slavery to sin you bestow eternal gladness”.

Today: There will be a Second Collection for Peters Pence

Next Sunday : There will be a Second Collection for the Apostleship of the Sea

Lord, make those who are not well, get better and grant those who have died eternal rest in your heavenly home. Amen

Mass Times

Sunday 7th July

Confessions 9.00-9.45 am

Mass 10.00 am

For Michael Bolger R.I.P

Monday 8th July

No Mass

Tuesday 9th July

School Mass

9.00 am in Church

For Pable Lakandula R.I.P

Wednesday 10th July

Mass 10.00 am

**For Bernadette Silvers
R.I.P**

Thursday 11th July

No Mass

Friday 12th July

Visiting the Sick 9.00 am

**Funeral Mass of
Patricia Brennan 12.30.pm**

Saturday 13th July

No Mass

Sunday 14th July

Confessions 9.00-9.45 am

Mass 10.00 am

Recently died-Patricia Brennan: Eternal rest grant her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace. Amen.

The sick: George Irwin, Linda Conroy, Debbie Johnson, Perry Desmond, Philip Fox, Kevin Hollis, Kathy Beatie, Father Gabby Maguire & all the sick priests of the diocese. May the Lord grant them the healing they require.

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

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 who will endeavour to arrange.

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, to remember a birthday or anniversary, Mass Intention envelopes available at the back of church.

Flower Intentions: If you would like to have flowers placed on the Altar for a particular intention: on behalf of a family member, a friend or a deceased loved one, to remember a birthday or anniversary, Flower Intention envelopes available at the back of church.

Offertory Collection Last Week

Gift aid	£ 69.10
Non-gift aid (loose)	£ 97.26
Donation from Sehion Ministry	£ 40.00
Total Offertories	£206.36

Thank you for your continued generosity

Readers & Eucharistic Ministers

Readers

Reading: Frank Armstrong

Bidding prayers: Margaret Dunsford

Eucharistic Ministers

Frank Armstrong

Ann Nicholls

Stan Oliver

St Gerard's Catholic Primary School

'We Live, Love and Learn Together with Jesus'



Please keep our Year 6 children in your prayers as they visit their new schools for September

Twitter: @StGerardsBham

School website:

www.stgerard.bham.sch.uk

Parish Notice Board



◆ Our Parish Safeguarding Officer

is Ann Nicholls who can be contacted on **07853 271306** or email:stgerardscv.rc@gmail.com

◆ Our Parish Administrator

is Sue Perkins who can be contacted on **07971 076835** or email:stgerardscv.rc@gmail.com

◆ When Father Soji is away, and in any emergency, please contact Fr. Leonard Cox on **07790 827184**

◆ Newsletter;

If you would like news or events advertised in Sunday's newsletter, please contact the Parish Administrator no later than Thursday.

◆ Baptisms;

Please contact the Parish Administrator to obtain an application form and make arrangements. Parent(s) have to be baptised Catholic and attend Sunday Mass regularly.

◆ **Today:** We welcome back Fr Soji from his ministry work in Australia. Fr would like to thank you all for your continued support and prayers.

◆ **Mass attendance:** last week: 63

◆ **Mass Reader and Eucharistic Minister Rotas:** New lists are available at the back of church. Thankyou to the two new volunteers.

◆ **Parish Centre :** Please see the notice on the double doors leading into the Parish Centre regarding accessing the centre during times that it has been hired out to YoungStars. Please keep them in our prayers as they embark on their new ventures for the Youth of Castle Vale. If anyone is interested in hiring our Parish Centre please contact our Parish Administrator.

◆ **Gift Aid:** UK tax payers can sign up to Gift Aid and we can collect 25% more from our offertory collections. For more information please contact our Parish Administrator.

◆ **Refreshments :** Refreshments will be served in the Parish Centre after mass every Sunday. Please join together for a cuppa and a chat for 10-15 minutes in you can.

◆ **Refreshments Rota:** If you are able to help serve refreshments after Mass on a Sunday to share the load then please add your name to the list on the noticeboard at the back of church.

◆ **Church cleaning:** We are looking to resurrect a church cleaning group on a rota basis to keep our church clean and tidy. If you feel that you could help by sparing an hour then please contact our Parish Administrator.

◆ **Children's Liturgy:** We are looking to start a children's liturgy during Sunday morning Mass. If any parishioners feel able to commit to helping run this on a rota basis then please contact our Parish Administrator.

◆ **Ladies that Lunch (or men!):** Date confirmed as Thursday 18th July. Time 12.30-2.30. Menu: Afternoon Tea! Please come along and enjoy some lovely food, new company and a bit of a music quiz!

◆ **Sacrament of the sick;** Please 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.

◆ **Harvington Hall:** The annual Harvington Pilgrimage will take place on Sunday 1st September.

◆ **HCSA Update:** The Archbishop has provided an update following the Independent Inquiry into Child Sex Abuse (HCSA). Please see the noticeboard at the back of church.

◆ **St Joseph's Care Home, Coleshill** offers residential care to older people and those living with dementia in a Catholic setting, with Mass said daily by resident priests. Respite bedrooms are also available for those that could benefit from a short stay. If you or someone you know might benefit from the care offered at St Joseph's, please call Father Hudson's Care on 01675 434500 for an informal chat or to arrange a visit.