

Parish of St. Gerard, Castle Vale

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SOLEMNITY OF SS PETER & PAUL

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

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“O God, who through the grace of adoption chose us to be children of light, grant, we pray, that we may not be wrapped in the darkness of error but always be seen to stand in the bright light of truth”

Second Collection Today

Today there is a second collection for Peter's Pence

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 30th June

Confessions 9.00-9.45 am

Mass 10.000 am
For Robert Sloan

Monday 1st July

No Mass

Tuesday 2nd July

School Mass
9.00 am with Fr Lennon

Wednesday 3rd July

No Mass

Thursday 4th July

No Mass

Friday 5th July

No Mass

Saturday 6th July

No Mass

Sunday 7th July

Confessions 9.00-9.45 am
Mass 10.000 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	£ 66.00
Non-gift aid (loose)	£127.80
First Holy Communion	£162.32
Total Offertories	£356.12

Thank you for your continued generosity

Altar Flowers this week

In Thanksgiving for First Holy Communion



Readers & Eucharistic Ministers

Readers

Reading: Sarah Hayes

Bidding prayers: Anne-Marie Hayes

Eucharistic Ministers

Shirley Harris

Sarah Hayes

Frances Irwin

St Gerard's Catholic Primary School

'We Live, Love and Learn Together with Jesus'



Please keep the children that recently received their First Holy Communion in your prayers

Twitter: @StGerardsBham

School website:

www.stgerard.bham.sch

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, parishioners can 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 Fr Francis Barrett who will be celebrating Mass for us
- ◆ **Mass attendance:** last week: 74
- ◆ **Mass Reader and Eucharistic Minister Rotas:** New lists are available at the back of church. Thankyou to the two new volunteers.
- ◆ **Next Sunday:** Fr Soji will be back from Australia where he has been on missionary work. Please continue to pray for Father in his work.
- ◆ **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!):** A group of Parishioners are looking to put on a lunch group in our Church centre, provisionally 3rd Thursday of the month starting July, aimed at bringing together young and old (or old and older!). Watch this space for further details.
- ◆ **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.
- ◆ **Alton Castle:** Garden Party & Castle Open Day, Saturday 6th July from 2.00 pm. Entertainment for all the family.
- ◆ **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.