

Ss Mary and Modwen's Catholic Church, Burton

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St Christopher's Catholic Church, Tutbury

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Part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham, Registered Charity Number 234216
This Parish is served by the Congregation of the Holy Spirit (Spiritans)

Parish Clergy

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Sixth Sunday of Easter, Year B (Year of Prayer)

4th/5th May April 2024

Sixth Sunday of Easter: Mass & Readings: Sunday Year B. Weekdays – Easter Week 6. Hours: Psalter Week 2

Saturday 4th May <i>Feast of the English Martyrs</i>	Mass 9:30am Vigil Mass 5:00pm - Tutbury	<i>Philiomina Dsouza RIP</i> <i>People of the Parish</i>
Sunday 5th May <i>Sixth Sunday of Easter</i>	Mass 9:00am Mass 11:00am Mass 6:00pm	<i>John McCaul RIP</i> <i>Owen Grant RIP</i> <i>Nigel Weeldon Healing</i>
Monday 6th <i>Easter Weekday</i>	Mass 10:00am	<i>Gabriel Raposo RIP</i>
Tuesday 7th <i>Easter Weekday</i>	Mass 9:30am	<i>Private Intention</i>
Wednesday 8th <i>Easter Weekday</i>	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10:00am Mass 11:00am	<i>Private Intention</i>
Thursday 9th <i>Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord</i>	Mass 9:15am - St Modwen's Catholic Primary School Mass 9:30am Mass 5:00pm - Tutbury Mass 7:30pm	<i>School Community</i> <i>Justina Nwamu Okoye</i> <i>Peggy Redmond RIP</i> <i>Molly Cassidy RIP</i>
Friday 10th <i>Easter Weekday</i> <i>(Pentecost Novena starts)</i>	Mass 9:30am	<i>Holy Souls</i>
Saturday 11th <i>Easter Weekday</i>	Mass 9:30am Vigil Mass 5:00pm - Tutbury	<i>Owen Grant RIP</i> <i>Grenville David RIP</i>
Sunday 12th <i>Seventh Sunday of Easter</i>	Mass 9:00am Mass 11:00am Mass 6:00pm	<i>Noronha & Dsouza family</i> <i>Rita Glendon RIP</i> <i>People of the Parish</i>

CONFESSION: We have Confession in the Parish every Saturday after 9:30am Mass and on request. Please avail yourself of the opportunity.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND OF OUR PARISH:

Mary Conway, Maya Whatton, Damian Walsh, Tony Mulcahy, Pat Lawton, Joe Emery, Sheila Chatterton, Carolyn Edge, Richard Waldron, Andrew Poyser, Sue Rose, Eileen Davis, Chris Morris, Sadie Blackford, Martin Routledge, Marilyn Gough, Dolly Rothwell, Justin Oguora, Emily Woodward, John Woodward, Shaji Augusthy, Margaret Hudson, Gordon Adams, Brian Hallam, Mark Hallam, Cathal Cushnahan, Nigel Weeldon, Ada Bagworth.

MASS ATTENDANCE: For last Sunday 483

OFFERTORY COLLECTION: For last Sunday: £775.34

BUILDING & DEVELOPMENT / SECOND COLLECTION:

Development Fund running total: -£3,745.26

Last Sunday Special Collection: **Building and Development Fund:** £173.60

This Sunday Second Collection: **Flowers for Our Lady's decoration on 18th May**

Next Sunday Second Collection: **Catholic Communications**

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY CENACLE GROUP: Our Cenacle Prayer group meets **every Tuesday at 7:00pm.** Parishioners are invited and encouraged to enrol and be part of our Blessed Mother's battle-ready army. There is a petition box in front of Our Lady's statue during Cenacle prayer. Bring your petitions to her; she is a great intercessor. Thank you to current and future participants.

FOODBANK: We encourage parishioners to contribute food items for those struggling with the cost of food. Please bring the items to church.

SOUP KITCHEN: Huge thanks to parishioners for the generous donations of soup and beans. We are running short of a few tins of baked beans, Oxtail, and vegetable soup so would be grateful if you could spare even one tin which can be placed in box at back of church. We are welcoming over 20 people through the doors each week. Thank you and God bless. Elaine and the team.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR MAY – For the formation of religious and seminarians: We pray that religious women and men, and seminarieans, grow in their own vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the Gospel.

YEAR OF PRAYER, 3 DECEMBER 2023 – 24 DECEMBER 2024: In preparation for the 2025 Jubilee Year 'Pilgrims of Hope', 2024 has been designated a Year of Prayer by Pope Francis. It began on the First Sunday of Advent 2023 with a particular focus on the **Our Father**, this is a great opportunity to go back to the basics of prayer. Resources are available on the home page of the parish website.

HOME VISITATION: Fr Stan and Fr Matthew are available for home visitations and would like to visit the home of all parishioners. It would be great if parishioners could indicate interest, contact the parish office to arrange a date for your home visitation.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: Please note that we have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every week on Wednesdays at 10:00am. You are welcome to spend 1 hour with Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament before Mass.

CHILDREN/YOUNG READERS: We would like to welcome children and young people to read at Mass. If you would like to, please put down your name on the list at the back of Church. God bless you.

SAFEGUARDING: The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese's policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Denise Butler who can be contacted via e-mail at sg.stmary-mod.burton-on-trent@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively, the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 or via e-mail safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern. There is access to more information from the Diocese, the Catholic National Safeguarding Policy and support materials on the parish website <http://www.maryandmodwen.org.uk>

DIOCESAN VISION - UNFOLDING GOD'S PLAN: We are called to be a Catholic Diocese which is: faithful to the mission entrusted to us by Jesus Christ full of missionary disciples who work together co-responsibly in vibrant communities of faith, joyful in their service of God and neighbour. To achieve our vision together, Archbishop Bernard Longley is asking us all to focus on these four areas:

Evangelisation, Formation, Liturgy and Worship and Social Outreach. He wants us to look at how we will individually respond to God's call to be missionary disciples in the Church and in our local communities, working joyfully together to spread the Word and the work of God. In essence, how will we unfold God's plan for us within our Diocese?

Evangelisation... Sharing our faith; **Liturgy and Worship...** Celebrating our faith;
Formation... Deepening our faith; **Social Outreach...** Witnessing our faith.

200 CLUB SUBSCRIPTIONS:

Winners 2024	1st – Prize	2nd – Prize	3rd – Prize
Jan	14 - Mr P Moon	27 - Mr D Scattergood	7- Miss C Kersey
Feb	133 – Mrs K Barton	111 – Mrs J Wardle	4 – Mrs J Kinsella
Mar	28 – Mrs A Wright	173 – Mrs P Molloy	140 – Mrs P Dennis
Apr	199 – Mr J McArdle	15 – Mrs J Brookes	230 – Mrs M Jennings

Your cheques will be posted out to you very soon. There are still a few 2024 subscriptions due and there are quite a few numbers available. If you would like to take on an additional number or join the 200 Club if you are not already a member. Please place your money securely in a sealed envelope and marked with your name & number (if possible) and post/hand in at the Presbytery. THANK YOU – Margaret.

PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM: Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham will take place this Saturday, 11th May. Would those who want to go please put their names down on the list at the back of Church.

18th MAY - ROSARY PROCESSION & FLOWERS: There will be a Rosary procession around Burton Town Centre on Saturday 18th May, after the 9:30am Mass, which parishioners are encouraged to participate in. We will need to decorate the carriage of the Blessed Virgin Mary's statue with flowers (Roses) for the procession. If you wish to offer some flowers to Our Lady in her special month, please bring them to church on the morning of Friday 17th May, or you can donate money to buy flowers. More information is on the poster in the porch, on the parish centre notice board and the parish website, <http://www.maryandmodwen.org.uk>. Thank you and God bless you.

Next Sunday's Rota – 12th May 2024			
	9:00am Mass	11:00am Mass	6:00pm Mass
Reader	Graham Marshment	Rosemary Scott	Jomy John
Eucharistic Minister	John Ward	Rosemary Scott	Bill Moloney
Tea & Coffee	Teresa McCallum & Mary Fermor	Joyce & Margaret	Paul & Diana Bowen
Stewards	Joseph Chacko	Paul Moon & Gary Redfern	?????
Church Cleaning – Week Commencing			
12th May	?????		

APPEAL FOR SPIRITAN MISSIONS: There will be a mission appeal for the Holy Ghost Fathers (Spiritans) at Masses on Pentecost Sunday 19th May. Please give generously to support our missions.

PENTECOST NOVENA: Novena to the Holy Spirit in preparation for Pentecost starts from Friday, 10 May - Saturday, 18 May 2024. The novena prayer will follow at the end of Mass on those days.

2024/2025 GIFT AID ENVELOPES: Thank you to all who signed up to Gift-aid your donations to the Parish. The new envelopes started on 6th April 2024 and some are yet to be collected. If you have not yet collected yours, please do so in Church before or after Masses on Sunday, or from the Parish Office. Thank you for your generous support and kind donations to the Parish. If you are a UK Taxpayer and have not signed up to Gift-aid your donation to the parish, please do sign up. It does not cost you any extra money. God bless.

NEW AUXILIARY BISHOPS APPOINTED: It has been announced that the Holy Father has appointed Mgr Timothy Menezes and Canon Richard Walker as Auxiliary Bishops for the Archdiocese of Birmingham. Mgr Timothy has been the Dean of St Chad's Cathedral since 2019 and he was the Vicar General for several years. Canon Richard has served as the Vicar General and Trustee of the Archdiocese since September 2020. Let us support them both with the assurance of our prayers as they prepare to take up their new responsibilities for the pastoral care of the clergy and people of our Archdiocese.

HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION: Thursday, 9th May is the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord. It is a Holyday of Obligation, which means Catholics are obliged to observe it as a Sunday by attending Mass. There will be 9:30am and 7:30pm Masses at St Mary and St Modwen, and 5:00pm Mass at St. Christopher's, Tutbury.

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION: To celebrate the big Feast of Corpus Christi, we will have a procession with the Blessed Sacrament around Burton Town Centre on the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ on Sunday, 2nd June 2024. The procession will start from the Church at 2:30pm and conclude with Benediction.