

**THIS WEEK, THE CANDLES ARE BURNING FOR THE INTENTIONS OF**

<b>SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA FOR Thomas to Help Him Make His Way</b>	<b>SHRINE OF THE SACRED HEART FOR Pradeep to Get Well</b>
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**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION** - Saturday 10.30–11am & 5.15–5.45pm & *by appointment*  
**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT** - Friday 6.00 - 6.30pm & Saturday 10.30 - 11am.  
**DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET** - Sunday at 3.00 p.m.  
**PRAYER GROUP** – Wednesday at 10.00 a.m. *Everyone welcome!*

<b>FINANCIAL MATTERS - 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2024</b>		<b>Lucky Number Draw</b>
<b>Gift Aid</b>	<b>£196.30</b>	Last Week Winner
<b>Non-Gift Aid</b>	<b>£209.68</b>	No. 66 - £21.50
<b>Total</b>	<b>£405.98</b>	<b>Jasmine Cruz</b>
<b>Standing Order £261.00</b>		
<b>Second Collection £219.09</b>		
<i>for Cathedral Maintenance.</i>		
<b>Thanks for your generous offerings!</b>		

**SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND IS FOR THE CATHEDRAL MAINTENANCE**

**PARISH GIVING**

The best way you can support the parish financially is by setting up a **Standing Order** using the following bank details:  
**NatWest Bank - Account No: 02272016 - Sort Code: 60 - 07 – 41**  
 or you may contact the Parish Office for a set of **Gift Aid** envelopes.

**Useful Information**

◊ **Sick List** - If you would like to add yourself, a relative or friend to the sick list you must complete a consent form, you can find them in the porch, and return it to the office.

◊ **Baptisms**: Please complete the request forms and send to the office. You will be contacted to book a date.

◊ **Parish Hall** – Please contact the parish office via email [olf.quinton.bham@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:olf.quinton.bham@rcaob.org.uk) or telephone 0121 422 4865 to make an enquiry.

◊ **Safeguarding** - The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Irene Byrne & Georgina Wakeman. They can be contacted at: [sg.olf.quinton.bham@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.olf.quinton.bham@rcaob.org.uk) or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 / [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concern.

**Parish Administrator:** Mrs Jackie McGuinness  
**Office Hours:** Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 9.00 a.m. - 11.00 a.m.  
 Wednesday 9.30 a.m. - 12.30p.m.  
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**OUR LADY OF FATIMA**  
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**10<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2024 – FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR B**

Saturday	09	6:00 p.m.	Eddie Byrne RIP
Sunday	10	9:00 a.m.	Bosco Dinh & Paul Bac
		11:00 a.m.	Nicola Jamieson
Monday	11	9:30 a.m.	<i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i>
		10:00 a.m.	Holy Souls
Tuesday	12	9:30 a.m.	<i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i>
		10:00 a.m.	Dell Shepperd RIP
Wednesday	13	---	No Mass <span style="float: right;"><i>Laetare</i></span>
Thursday	14	9:30 a.m.	<i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i>
		10:00 a.m.	Frances Ruane RIP
Friday	15	9:15 a.m.	People of the Parish <span style="float: right;"><i>Mass at OLF School</i></span>
		6:00 p.m.	<b>Stations of the Cross</b>
Saturday	16	6:30 p.m.	Annie Kearney RIP
		10:00 a.m.	Chris McGovern
		10:30 a.m.	<i>Adoration &amp; Confessions</i>

**17<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2024 – FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR B**

Saturday	16	6:00 p.m.	Packy O'Donnell RIP
Sunday	17	9:00 a.m.	Kathleen & Dan Prendergast
		11:00 a.m.	Sean Goggins

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK**

John Kirby, John Jennings, Delia Stewart, Mary Basterfield, John McCallion, Mary Davitt, Donna Walsh, Bridie Kinsella, Mali Piggott, Issac Justin, Robert Kirby, Shellie Kerr, Dean Evans, Angela Kinsella, Anne Madden, Kun Cheong Leung, Kay Hegarty, Hermenegilda Binayug, Christina Patterson, Len Mills, Rona Gibson, Krystyna Grey, Helen Taggart.  
*May the Lord grant them consolation, peace and healing. May God give all involved in health care in hospital or in the community, grace, strength and perseverance.*

**PRAY FOR THE DEAD**

Please keep in your prayers all those that have died at this time. We pray also for those in 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.*

## WELCOME TO MASS FOR THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT!

This 4th Sunday of Lent is known as *Laetare Sunday - Laetare meaning 'rejoice.'* This theme, along with the rose vestments that lighten the penitential purple mood, speak of the coming feast of the resurrection that draws ever closer. So today's Collect prays that with *prompt devotion and eager faith we may hasten towards the solemn celebrations to come.'*

Today is also known as **Mothering Sunday**, we pray for all those in our parish who are mothers, and for God's blessing on them and their families. We pray also for mothers - and fathers - for whom family life isn't easy, and for whom parenthood has provided its challenges! Of course, we also remember at the altar on this special day those of our mothers who have departed this life, that they may enjoy for ever the happiness and peace of the heavenly Jerusalem our mother!

### 10<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD

On Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March, I will be celebrating my 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary as an ordained Priest. I invite you all to a thanksgiving Mass at 7pm followed by a celebration reception in the hall. I do hope that you can come along and celebrate my special anniversary with me.

### Stations of the Cross

Each Friday evening at 6pm followed by Holy Mass at 6.30 pm.

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament During Lent

Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays @ 9.30 - 10am & Saturdays 10.30-11am.

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confession will be available before weekday Mass, and on Saturday 10.30 - 11am & 5.15 - 5.45pm and by appointment.

### PARISH PENITENTIAL SERVICE

The Penitential service will take place on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March at 7.00pm. There will be 4 visiting Priests who will help us with the Sacrament. This is the best way to prepare for Easter, please make time for this.

## HOLY WEEK & EASTER LITURGIES 2024

Here are the important details you need to check out and plan for.  
Please be ready to take part in the Holy Week & Easter Ceremonies.

### PALM SUNDAY – 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> March

6.00 p.m. Saturday Vigil Mass  
9.00 a.m. The Passion of the Lord  
11.00 a.m. The Passion of the Lord

### HOLY THURSDAY - Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> March

7.00 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper  
*with watching until 10.00 p.m.*  
9.45 p.m. Night Prayer

### GOOD FRIDAY - Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> March

10.00 a.m. Morning Prayer  
3.00 p.m. Liturgy of the Lord's Passion  
6.30 p.m. Stations of the Cross

### HOLY SATURDAY - Saturday, 30<sup>th</sup> March

10.00 a.m. Morning Prayer  
10.30 a.m. Holy Rosary  
8.00 p.m. EASTER VIGIL

### EASTER SUNDAY - Sunday, 31<sup>st</sup> March

9.00 a.m. Solemnity of the Resurrection of the Lord  
11.00 a.m. Solemnity of the Resurrection of the Lord

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

If you have a baby or young child in your family who requires Baptism, please get in touch with Fr Long as soon as possible.

### SHRINES TO OUR LADY & THE SACRED HEART

If you would like to have one of these candles burning for a week for your intentions and your loved ones, please ask Fr Long. It is £5 for the week. Envelopes are available at the back of Church. **Lots of dates are still available!**

### MASS INTENTIONS

Please be aware there is a waiting list for Mass intentions on a Sunday. If you want a specific date e.g. an anniversary, please request this well in advance. Thank you!

## DEANERY PROPOSALS

My dear parishioners, I would like to thank you most sincerely for completing the Deanery plan questionnaires over the past few weeks. The information and your points of view have given me a valuable insight as to your feelings about the proposals. There have been many helpful suggestions that I will present at my next Deanery meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> March. My thanks also must go to Len Horton who created the questionnaire and collated the data which give valuable information to take our Parish forward.

## PIETY STALL

We have just restocked the Piety Stall with new items. Please take a look, we have lots of lovely items for your friends and family including rosary beads, gifts for confirmation and first holy communion. Also, on sale are St Patrick's day cards, Mother's day cards and Easter cards also Easter mass cards, First Holy Communion and Confirmation cards. Please put your money in the box marked 'Piety'.

## BOOKING OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH HALL

Please remember to consider using our Parish Hall for your family events, other family celebrations, gatherings and do recommend us to other people. We now have our own skittle alley for you to hire for your party. Please contact parish office 0121 422 4865 or via email: [olf.quinton.bham@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:olf.quinton.bham@rcaob.org.uk) to discuss booking arrangements.

## SILENCE IN CHURCH

May I remind everyone to be mindful of other people who are praying in Church before and after Mass. Please silence your mobile phone and also not to speak during Mass itself.

## CHURCH CAR PARK

When using the Church car park, as we do not have designated spaces, please try to be mindful of other car users needing a space to park.

## AND FINALLY

As we reach the mid-point of Lent, it is a good time to reflect on our journey so far. It also gives us fresh opportunities to open our hearts and minds to the grace of this Lenten time. A happy Mother's Day to all our mothers as we pray for them and those who have gone before us as well. God bless you all.

**Have a blessed Sunday and a good week ahead!**

**Fr Long Nguyen**