



Parish of the Sacred Heart and Saint Margaret Mary, Aston

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Welcome to the Sacred Heart & St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church. If you are visiting us for the first time we wish to welcome you and your family and hope that you enjoy your visit.

Mass Times & Intentions

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)
***Evangelii Gaudium* Sunday**

Saturday 16th September 12.30pm – Coyne Family

Sunday 17th September 10.15am – Daniel Joicey (R.I.P)

No Mass in School this week.

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

Saturday 23rd September 12.30pm – Athanasius Amungwa (R.I.P)

Sunday 24th September 10.15am – Michael Delaney (Anniv)

Second collection this weekend for Catholic Evangelisation

Collection	
9 th /10 th September	
First Collection	£248.21
Second Collection	
Catholic Education Service	£91.35
	Thank You

Prayers for those who have died:

Fr Edwin Cownley, Fr Keith Enston, Athanasius Amungwa, Paul 'Sponge' Merton,

Prayers for members of our parish community who are sick or housebound:

John McManus, Andy Walsh, Bernadette Harnett, Noreen Fowler, Clem Murray, Julie Bartram, Mary Cartridge, Paul Craig, Rob Badland, Robert Mee, Linda Lawton, Margaret Armstrong.

'Tea & Talk' - Over 50's get together friendship group next meet this Tuesday 19th September from 12noon until 2pm. Special Chair Yoga (a gentle introduction led by Victoria) Why not come and join us, bring a friend - you will be made very welcome.

Raising funds for the church – raffle tickets are on sale at the back of the church £1 for a strip of 5 tickets. All money raised for the church.

Chris Lacson from St. Chad's Cathedral will be doing a 50-mile ultramarathon Saturday 16th of September. Chris is moving to Australia and as a parting gift to SVP would like to donate funds raised to SVP. If you would like to sponsor Chris you can go to his GoFundMe link: <https://gofund.me/2b44f00a>.

Second Collection next weekend 23rd/24th September for Father Hudson's Care.

Message from Father Tim

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

*Today is a day of special focus on Evangelisation. It has been given the name *Evangelii Gaudium Day*. That takes its name from a document of Pope Francis in which he speaks a lot about living out the Joy of the Gospel.*

Last Friday, English Martyrs' Church in Sparkhill celebrated its Centenary. It was an occasion just like our own church's Centenary in October of last year.

So many people with associations with a love for our churches returning to a place that they associate with childhood, of family and friends, of community.

That is our continuing call: to build community, to invite family and friends to come to our beautiful church and to feel at home in God's presence.

We are all called to evangelise – to share the Joy of the Gospel with everybody we meet.

Who to contact

Safeguarding Representatives:

Teresa O'Gorman 07585 907706
Sheila McKernan 0121 344 3028

Health & Safety Representative:

Marie Armstrong 07818 426891

Sacred Heart Parish Social Club

The Heart
28 Grange Road,
Birmingham B6 6LA
Tel 0121 240 5352
Sunday Lunch
12 noon – 4.30pm

Well done and congratulations to Chisom Afoka, one of our parishioners and a former pupil of the Sacred Heart School, on the next step of his football career. Chisom recently joined Bradford City on a season loan from Aston Villa. Please keep Chisom and his family, who he said was his inspiration, in your prayers.

St. Mary's College, Oscott – Guided Tours

St. Mary's College is pleased to welcome visitors for special tours of the seminary on the following dates in 2023-24

2023

27th September

8th, 15th and 29th November

2024

24th January; 7th and 21st February; 6th and 13th March
17th and 24th April; 8th and 15th May

Tickets can be booked via the Eventbrite linked on the website at

<http://oscott.net/visitors/guided-tour-groups>.

Tours cost £10 per adult, which includes a cup of tea and a slice, or two, of homemade cake.

Tours begin at 1pm, arrival from 12.30pm, and last approximately 2hrs.

Please be aware that access to the first floor is by stairs only and that there are steps to some areas of the chapel. If you have any access or dietary requirements, please contact

naomi.johnson@oscott.org to discuss your needs.

Aston Villa forthcoming matches

Saturday 30th September - Brighton @ 12.30pm

Sunday - 22nd October - West Ham @ 4.30pm

Sunday 29th October - Luton @ 2.00pm

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