



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

First Sunday in Lent (B)

Saturday 17th February 12.30pm – Pauline Walsh (Birthday)

**Sunday 18th February 10.15am – Alun Richards
Followed by Stations of the Cross**

School Mass at school Wednesday 21st February 9.10am – All are welcome

Second Sunday in Lent (B)

Saturday 24th February 12.30pm – Eileen Robins (Birthday)

Sunday 25th February 10.15am – James Greaney
Followed by parish meeting in church.

Offertory Collection

10th/11th February £275.62

Life Charity –
the sanctity of life £133.24

Second collection next weekend for CAFOD

Prayers for those who have died:

Fr Paul Lomas, Fr Chris Greaney, Fr Sandy Brown, Fr John Lungley, Esther McSweeney, Noreen Fowler, Hugh Gunn, Ronnie Williams, Ann Walsh, Michael Gallagher, Paul Craig, Brendan Fleming, Marie Chatten, Rob Badland

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

John McManus, Andy Walsh, Bernadette Harnett, Clem Murray, Julie Bartram, Mary Cartridge, Robert Mee, Linda Lawton, Margaret Armstrong, Patricia O’Gorman. John Pender, David Harnett

Walk With Me Booklets and Calendars are available today. Please take them.

Escorted Tour to Westport, Knock & Co Mayo, 14th April 2024. £899.00 pps. Price includes flight, 10kg hold luggage, 5 nights’ in 4* Castlecourt Hotel, Westport with Dinner, Bed & Breakfast. Lunch on three days. All entertainment, excursions and transport included. Visit Knock, Galway City, Kylemore Abbey, Croagh Patrick & Ashford Castle. Single supplement on Enquiry. Contact Patricia or Natali on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.

Tea & Talk – The group will meet again this Tuesday 20th February 12.00 – 2.00. Why not come and join us, bring a friend - you will be made very welcome.

Message from Father Tim

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Last weekend, although not planned but because of a Villa game next Saturday when we were supposed to have the first parish meeting about future provision of Masses, I spoke about the situation we face as a Deanery and as a Diocese. I was open to hearing any responses to what I said about the likelihood of us reducing to one weekend Mass, on a Sunday, maybe from this Summer. I would encourage anybody who can to come to the meeting after Mass next Sunday (25th) even if you are not at the 10.15 Mass next Sunday. The meeting will begin soon afterwards at 11.30am.

It is with regret that because of an Aston Villa home game on Holy Saturday evening at 5.30pm (just announced), it will not be possible to have our Easter Vigil at Sacred Heart. So, just to let you know this at the first opportunity. The Easter Vigil must be celebrated at the coming of evening and it is clear that it must not be at the time of a normal Saturday vigil Mass.

The Easter Vigil at St Chad's Cathedral will be at 8pm on Saturday 29th March and all Sacred Heart Parishioners will be most welcome.

Best wishes and prayers,

Fr Tim

FORTHCOMING MATCHES AT VILLA PARK

Saturday 24/02/24 - Nottingham Forest (Home) 3.00pm

Sunday 10/03/24 - Tottenham (Home) 2.00pm

Saturday 30/03/24 - Wolverhampton Wanderers (Home) 5.30pm

Saturday 06/04/24 – Brentford (Home) 3.00pm

CAFOD Annual Lent Family Fast Day is on Friday 23rd February – Envelopes are available at the back of Church.

Annual Diocesan Mass for Marriage at St Chad's Cathedral – Saturday 4th May at 12 noon. If you are

celebrating a significant wedding anniversary this year, and give your name in, you can be included in this celebration. For more information, please follow this link:

<https://www.vocations.org.uk/marriage-mass>

Year of Prayer – We Dare to Say – During 2024, we are asked to focus in a special way on the Lord's Prayer. <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/news/archdiocese-of-birmingham-edition-of-we-dare-to-say-now-available>

Who to contact

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Teresa O'Gorman. She can be contacted at: sg.sacredheart.bham@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/ safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.

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Health & Safety Representative:

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