



**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**

**Second Sunday in Lent (B)**

**Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> February 12.30pm – Eileen Robins (Birthday)**

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> February 10.15am – James Greaney  
Followed by parish meeting in church.**

**No School Mass this week.**

Third Sunday in Lent (B)

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 12.30pm - Tess Mullen (Birthday)

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 10.15am – John Frain (R.I.P)

**Offertory Collection**

**10<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup> February                      £288.05**

**Second collection this 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

**Escorted Tour to Westport, Knock & Co Mayo, 14<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:knockpilgrimages@gmail.com).**

**Tea & Talk – The group meet again on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> March 12.00 – 2.00. Why not come and join us – just come to the presbytery door - you will be made very welcome.**

Birmingham Irish Heritage Group next meet Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm at the Sacred Heart Club – All welcome and tell your friends.

Message from Father Tim .....

*Dear Parishioners and Friends,*

*How is Lent going for you? The old English word LENT means springtime – the lengthening of the days. Although we have not been overwhelmed by springtime weather this past week, it is good to know that while we fast and pray and give to charity, our faith is growing and flourishing. May all of our efforts this Lent be generous towards God and others, and less centred on ourselves.*

*Please pray for people all over our Archdiocese who are preparing for Baptism, Confirmation and the Eucharist as adults this Easter. If you or anybody you know is interested in becoming a Catholic, then please speak to or email Fr Tim.*

*May God bless you as we meet together this weekend to talk about the future of our Deanery, with hopeful hearts.*

*Fr Tim*

## **FORTHCOMING MATCHES AT VILLA PARK**

**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**

**Annual Diocesan Mass for Marriage** at St Chad's Cathedral – Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> 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>

**Theology on Tap** – an opportunity for young adults to meet and talk about faith in a pub! Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March in central Birmingham. Please let Fr Tim know if you would like to know more.

### **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](mailto:sg.sacredheart.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.

### **Safeguarding Representatives:**

Teresa O'Gorman 07585 907706  
Sheila McKernan 0121 344 3028

### **Health & Safety Representative:**

Marie Armstrong 07818 426891

**Hymn Books** - If you would like to sponsor one of the books in memory or in honour of someone, please speak to Father Tim, Teresa or Marie. For each hymn book you sponsor a bookplate will be placed inside. You can sponsor as many hymn books as you wish. The suggested donation to sponsor a single hymnal is £10.00. THANK YOU!

**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>

*Please take this newsletter home with you*

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