

SUNDAY BULLETIN

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 3 MARCH 2019

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Meménto. homo. quia pulvis es. et in
púlverem revertéris



Remember, man, that thou art dust,
and unto dust thou shalt return.

MASS TIMES	Sacred Heart	Saint Joseph's		Mass Intention
<i>Saturday for Sunday</i>		----		
SUNDAY Seventh in Ordinary Time	9.00am 9.30am		Confessions Solemn Mass	John Watton, Peter Williams
		11.30am	Solemn Mass	Loretta Barnett
		3.00pm	Syro-Malabar Rite	
Monday 4 Feria				
Tuesday 5 Feria				
Wednesday 6 ASH WEDNESDAY <i>Day of fasting and abstinence</i>	9.30am		Holy Mass	Fr Christopher Miller
		11.30am	Holy Mass	Bishop Kevin Dunn
Thursday 7 St Perpetua and St Felicity, Martyrs				
Friday 8 St John of God, Religious	11.00am		Stations of the Cross with St Wilfrid's School	
Saturday 9 St Frances of Rome, Religious	----			
SUNDAY 10 First Sunday of Lent	9.00am 9.30am		Confessions Solemn Mass	Valerie Bell
		11.00am 11.30am	Confessions Solemn Mass	Pro Populo
		3.00pm	Syro-Malabar Rite	

ASH WEDNESDAY

If you are working during the day and so unable to attend Mass at either the Sacred Heart or St Joseph's, there is Holy Mass nearby at St Patrick's, Packmoor at 7.00am and at St Joseph's, Goldenhill, at 6.30pm.

Ash Wednesday is to be observed as a day of penance in the whole Church and a day of both fasting and abstinence. Those over eighteen are bound by the law of fasting until the beginning of their sixtieth year, while all over fourteen are bound by the law of abstinence.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED – *May they rest in peace* George William Bailey (Funeral Service 19th March 11.00am at the Sacred Heart)

Confessions

Sacred Heart

Sundays 9.00am – 9.20am

Saint Joseph's

Sundays 11.00am – 11.20am

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER

INTENTION FOR MARCH

That Christian communities, especially those who are persecuted, feel that they are close to Christ and have their rights respected.

PRAYER A DAY FOR VOCATIONS

The list for March is in the porch. Please volunteer to pray for vocations on one day during the month on behalf of the parish.

OFFERTORY and FUNDRAISING

The Sacred Heart

Offertory gift aid £187.00 non gift aid £306.44 Total £493.44 200 club winner no. 144

St Joseph's

Offertory gift aid £86.00 non gift aid £121.32 Total £207.32

Next weekend there will be a raffle, proceeds to the Restoration & Development Fund. Please support our fundraising efforts.

Second Collection today for Cathedral Maintenance

GIFT AID

The new Gift Aid envelopes will be distributed soon. If you are a tax payer and are not part of the Gift Aid scheme please consider signing up. This only requires you to provide your name and address and to sign the form – no information about your work or salary is needed. You can pay using weekly envelopes, by cheque annually or more frequently or direct from your bank by standing order. The Parish can reclaim tax you have paid at no cost to yourself. At present less than half of the income of each parish is in the form of Gift Aid donations. For more information or to sign a Gift Aid declaration please speak to Gillian, the Administrator.

PARISH DIARY 2019

March 6	ASH WEDNESDAY Lent begins 9.30am The Sacred Heart, Holy Mass 11.30am St Joseph's, Holy Mass
March 19	Day of Prayer for Vocations St Joseph's
	Paschal Triduum at the Sacred Heart
April 18	7.00pm Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper
April 19	3.00pm The Passion of the Lord
April 20	8.00pm Solemn Paschal Vigil of the Resurrection

WELCOME

This weekend we welcome back Fr Michael Puljic and Fr Michael Glover to celebrate Holy Mass for us. Please remember them and all the priests who are helping us at this time in your prayers.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT FRIDAYS AT 11.00 am

Pupils and staff from St Wilfrid's Catholic Academy will be joining us. This is a wonderful devotion to undertake during Lent and it is also good to come and support the children in our Catholic schools. For those unable to attend on Fridays, service books will be left at the Divine Mercy Altar during Lent for those who wish to pray the Stations privately during the Thursday period of Adoration or before Holy Mass on Sunday.

ST JOSEPH'S OPEN AFTERNOON

Saturday 9 March 2-5pm. Please sign the list in the porch to volunteer to welcome our visitors and look after the church

EVERY LIFE MATTERS

A talk by Life Charity Saturday 23 March The Grimshaw Room, St Chad's Cathedral Birmingham, arrivals from 10.30am. Suggested donation £5 (proceeds to Life).

CHRISTIAN AID SPONSORED WALK 23rd MARCH

The annual event at Tittesworth Reservoir will take place on the morning of Saturday 23 March. Christine & Anthony from the Sacred Heart will be taking part, please do support this appeal by sponsoring them, forms in the porch. Other walkers from either parish would be most welcome – ask for a letter and sponsor form.

DIOCESAN LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 2019 25th to 31 May/1 June Travel by coach from various points in the Diocese to Lourdes by sea or by air. Fares from £444.00 Full details on the Diocesan website www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk

PREPARING FOR THE SACRAMENTS – CHILDREN NOT IN CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

There will be instruction for those who have enrolled for the Sacraments but are not in Catholic schools, on Sunday mornings after 9.30am Mass in the new Crypt meeting room at the Sacred Heart. Would parents please accompany their children to these short instruction classes.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

Instruction sessions

March 3rd, March 17th, March 31st, May 5th
after 9.30am Mass in the Crypt meeting room.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will take place at a special celebration led by Fr Julian Green on **Saturday 11th May at 11.00am in the Sacred Heart.**

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Instruction sessions

March 10th, March 24th, April 7th, May 12th
after 9.30am Mass in the Crypt meeting room.

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be conferred by His Lordship Bishop David McGough on **Sunday 19 May at 11.30am at the Sacred Heart.**