

Notices for week beginning 28th March 2021

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| Sat 27 th | 6.00pm | Bridie Lambert RIP GC | Gluten free hosts |
| Sun 28 th | 10.15am | Bill & Peggy Henson RIP BC | available in the Sacristy |
| | 6.00pm | No Mass | before Mass |
| Mon 29 th | 9.00am | Fr Tim Burke RIP | |
| | 7.30pm | Penitential Confessions at St Joseph & St Helen Church | |
| Tues 30 th | 9.00am | Michael Kennedy Int K | |
| | 7.30pm | Penitential Confessions at Our Lady of Lourdes Church 3 Priests Hearing | |
| Wed 31 st | 9.30am | Rosary & Stations of the Cross | |
| School | 9.30am | Margaret Smyth RIP T&CK | |
| | 7.30pm | Penitential Confessions St Edward's Church 3 Priests Hearing | |
| Thu 1 st | 9.00am | Noel & Oisín Sweeney RIP | |
| | 7.00pm | Mass of the Last Supper | |
| | | Holy Souls – Mary Mc L | |
| Fri 2 nd | 3.00pm | Liturgy of the Lords Passion | |
| | 7.00pm | Stations of the Cross | Come out |
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| Sat 3 rd | 9.00am | No Mass | |
| Vigil | 6.00pm | Pat Fegan RIP BC | Pray the Mass |
| Sun 4 th | 10.15am | Bridget Walsh RIP & Annie Kate Walsh RIP | Liam |
| | 6.00pm | Parishioners | |

Please join us for the Easter celebrations at St Edwards:

Reconciliation Service: Wednesday, March 31st at 19:00 (no booking required);

Mass of the Last Supper: Thursday, April 1st, 19:00 (booking required);

Good Friday Celebration of the Passion of the Lord: Friday, April 2nd, 15:00 (booking required);

Friday Stations of the Cross: Friday, April 2nd, 19:00 (booking required);

Easter Vigil: Saturday, April 3rd, 18:00 (booking required);

Easter Sunday: Sunday, April 4th, 10:15 (booking required);

Easter Sunday: Sunday, April 4th, 18:00 (booking required);

Please note that all celebrations will be streamed live as well. For any bookings, please use the link <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/easter-at-st-edwards-registration-146845560023>

If you are not able to use this link, please phone or text deacon Dirk Hermans on 07306 428945 with the details required (celebration(s), name and phone contact number) for each attendee.

‘Standing Tall’ (Homeless Project) I’m Sr. Margaret from St. Paul’s convent Selly Park. I’m supporting an organization called ‘Standing Tall’. This is an organization working with 15 businesses in 2021 to match 15 homeless people into stable jobs in local businesses. To support this they are asking Birmingham residents, with a spare room, to host and support a homeless person, for 6 months in preparation for living independently in rented accommodation. Standing Tall will provide training, support and a monthly income of £600 to those who are willing to be hosts. If you’re interested contact Christy Action for detailed information on: 0121 517 0659

Bishop Challoner TSA is currently working with around 40 Primary and Secondary schools in the Birmingham area to help new teachers into the profession.

Anyone is welcome to join for a free online information event on **Wednesday 28th April at 6pm** or **Thursday 13th May at 5pm** to find out more about the School Direct / PGCE route into this exciting and rewarding profession. See www.bctsa.org for details, or email teachingschool@bishopchalloner.bham.sch.uk.

Marriage Care www.marriagecare.org.uk offers marriage preparation, relationship counselling and more.

CAFOD I’m Sr Anna from St Paul’s Convent, Selly Park, I’m walking 10,000 steps each day during Lent to help raise money to erect wells, in places where people mainly women have to walk up to 10 hours a day to get clean water.

I would appreciate any support to raise as much money as possible to make life a better place for those less fortunate than us.

There are a number of ways for donating.

1. Put your donation into this Bank account: Sort Code 30-00-06 a/c 00733357

2. Sign the sponsor sheet at the back of the Church and put the donation into an envelope marked CAFOD Walk for Water and give to Dr Denis.

3. Post a cheque payable to Sr Anna O’Connor 27 Greenland Rd, Selly Park, B29 7PP

Thank you for your support. Lenten blessings and peace

Sr Anna O’Connor: a.oconnor26@yahoo.com

The Acies The Legion of Mary invites its active and auxiliary members to the Acies ceremony on Sunday 28th March at Holy Souls, Acocks Green @ 3p.m. The Acies is the solemn renewal of the Legion promise and asking for God’s blessing on another year’s work.

Diocesan e-newsletter to keep up-to-date with all the latest news, information and online events from across the Archdiocese and beyond please sign up to the newsletter, issued every few weeks via email. Please visit www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/e-news to sign up.

Creative Wellbeing 4u Ltd - is an Education Support Service, Supporting Mental Health and Wellbeing. (anxiety and self-confidence). If you know someone who may need support, then contact us: phone:07726 114423 email: creativewellbeing4u@outlook.com website: <http://creativewellbeing4uuk.wordpress.com> Marcia Rose MA/PE/BPhil/NNEB founder

Missio Red Boxes Secretary We are looking for a new Local Secretary as Anne Sayers has retired from this position. Money from the Red Boxes is collected four times in the year and the job of the Local Secretary is to organize the collections with the help of the existing Collectors and to bank the money. Red boxes have been in St Edward’s Parish for many years and we hope we can continue this work for the Missions into the future. If you can help please contact Fr Denis.

How to access the picture /webcam in the Upper Room

Go to the parish website and follow links for the upper room Parish Website:

<https://stedward.org.uk/> Go to You tube <https://www.youtube.com/> and type in St Edwards, Selly Park Or type the following into your browser

<https://camstreamer.com/redirect/d8e46be62ebbf3/S-41947>

CHURCH WEBCAM: <https://www.mcnmedia.tv>

Church website <https://stedward.org.uk/>- the website has been updated and the weekly

bulletins can be found online here.

SICK: Rose Hyland, Peter Pamba, Caroline Holland, Marie Flynn, Felix McCann, John Masterson, James Neild, Megan Foley, Peter Power, Keith Dunsby, Rita (Dunsby) Miles, Eileen Murray, Vickie Keating, Roger Hookes and all the sick and housebound of the Parish

ANNIVERSARIES: Rev John McManus, Mgr Henry Francis Davis, Mgr Canon John Joseph Welch, Rev Thomas Cockburn, Canon Brian Withers, Rev Matthew Sheridan, Rev John Callaghan, Mgr Canon Daniel Leonard. **Also** Philip Leckie, Florence Condon, Gordan Delaney, Thomas Queenan, Mary Daly, Michael Connolly, Oisín Jude Sweeney, Noel Sweeney, Mark Tomlinson, Andrew Duffy, Jerry Cronin, Peggy Dunne, Gwen Byrnes **and for all whose anniversaries occur about this time.**

FAMILY OFFERINGS - Thank you for your presence among us, for your prayers, and for your generous monetary offerings that we know are sometimes given in great sacrifice.

We promise to be good stewards with the contributions you entrust in our care

MASS ATTENDANCE: *Sat (vigil) 37, Sun (10.15am) 56*

Off Collection £235.94 *Walk With Me Books* £81.34

Church donations - if anyone would like to change their donations to a bank standing order, please let Brendan Campbell know and he'll send the details that you will need. You can email him at bren.campbell@hotmail.com or call or text on 07887 915373.

THE DEEP END – The journey of discipleship

Our opening reading from Mark's Gospel captures the elation of the crowds who welcome Jesus in Jerusalem. They spread greenery on the road in front of him, they lift their voices in praise, singing 'Hosanna! Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord!' But their hope and loyalty is short-lived, as we discover in our reading of the Passion. Jesus is left almost alone to face humiliation and death. His followers have heard his radical message of reversal and upheaval, but when it comes down to it, the challenge is too much. We are told 'they all deserted him and ran away'. While Peter follows Jesus at a distance, he is soon denying he even knows him. Soon, the crowds are shouting for Jesus to be crucified.

We are very familiar with the Passion Gospel and it can be tempting to allow ourselves to tune out, particularly when it comes to the unpleasant parts. We do not like to think of ourselves as part of the mob shouting 'Crucify him!' Yet if we enter fully into the experience, we can see ourselves in the story. When things are going well, it is easy to praise God and shout 'Hosanna!', and promise we will not lose faith. There are other times we fall asleep, become complacent. And then there are days when we struggle, when we are confused or do not know what God expects of us or whether we are able to handle the difficult times. We pull away from God. The different disciples display this range of human reactions and emotions. This week, Holy Week, we are the disciples walking with Jesus on a journey that leads to the cross. And yet here at the cross, we find Mary Magdalene and the other female disciples, and Joseph of Arimathea. We know the story is not over for these disciples, or for Peter and the others. The journey of discipleship is just beginning.

'We don't have to be able to articulate all the logic of what is happening now. But Christians walk on with the conviction that there is One who does make sense of the apparent madness of shattered human dreams.' (Bishop Donal McKeown)

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Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

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