



**ST EDWARD'S PARISH CHURCH  
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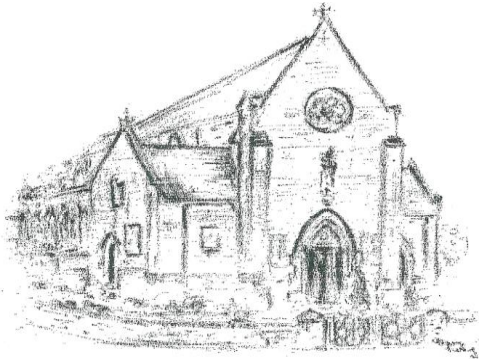
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The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times.

**Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Mary Daniels.** She can be contacted at: [sg.stedward.bham@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.stedward.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.

**Live stream: YouTube link:** <https://www.youtube.com/@stedwardssellypark>

**Upper Room:** <https://camstreamer.com/redirect/W4JR563Ajpynm7TZEslwHyScpe61qaZYWD4JMI1>

**Church:** <https://camstreamer.com/redirect/yoi6oWmYvI3tjNN7MCDKiE6FW7GnNb6ZWISrdLMC>

**Online donations** <https://donate.mydona.com/st-edwards-church-selly-park>

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	Sat 28 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Annie Fitzgerald RIP Family
Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Sun 29 <sup>th</sup>	10.15am	Joe McInerney RIP Kathleen
	Monday Rosary 8.30am		
	Mon 30 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Nora Walsh RIP Holy Souls Aaron Int
	Tues 31 <sup>st</sup>	7.00pm	Parishioners/Margaret McGovern
	Wednesday Rosary 8.30am		
Solemnity of All Saints	Wed 1 <sup>st</sup> November <i>Holiday of Obligation</i>	9.00am	Clifden Family Living & Dead Margaret McG
		7.00pm	Jackie Conroy RIP K.M.
	Thursday Rosary 8.30am		
All Soul's Day	Thu 2 <sup>nd</sup>	9.00am	(in Church) Holy Souls
		7.00pm	(in Church) Holy Souls
	Friday Rosary 8.30am		
	Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup>	9.00am	Holy Souls
	Sat 4 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Ricky Gallagher RIP MG
Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time	Sun 5 <sup>th</sup>	10.15am	Annie Fitzgerald RIP AV

*Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions: Saturday 4.30pm – 5.30pm*  
*Gluten free hosts available before Mass in the Sacristy*

*Legion of Mary – Mondays at 7.15pm – upper room – all are welcome to join*

**SICK:** Rose Hyland, Caroline Holland, Marie Flynn, Felix McCann, Joan Dunne, John Masterson, James Neild, Megan Foley, Peter Power, Noreen Brannelly, Emma Bettam **and all the sick and housebound of the Parish.**

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Rev Thomas Williams,, Rev John O'Dwyer, Rev Patrick O'Sullivan, Rev James Faulconer-Morgan, Rev Henry Taylor, Deacon Paul Grosvenor, Bishop John Barrett, Rev Louis Moore, Canon Denis Toplass, Archbishop Maurice Couve de Murville **Also** Glenys Attridge, Douglas Musto, Mrs Theresa McTigue, William Hurley, Bill McLoughlin, Kathleen Crawley, Bridie Daly, Anne Burns, John Morris, Michael Fagan, Patrick O'Connor, Sally Twist **and for all whose anniversaries occur about this time.**

**Conor Handel's Charity Hand Cycle**

**Challenge:** On Wednesday 6th December at Harborne Pool and Fitness Centre.

All money raised will be split between Queen Alexandra College and SHINE ( Spina Bifida, Hydrocephalus, Information, Networking, Equality) For details on how to donate, email [andrea.handel68@icloud.com](mailto:andrea.handel68@icloud.com) or use the following QR code for the Just giving page:



**Mass Attendance:**

**Sat (6.00pm) No. of people:**91 **Off Collection:** £129.60 **2nd Collection: Missio** £66.35

**Sun (10.15am) No. of people:** 224 **Off Collection:** £350.95 **2nd Collection: Missio** £167.40

**Card machine 1st Collection:** £16.72 **2nd Collection:** £19.68

**Sincere thanks.**

**Standing Orders and Card payments** Please set up a standing order for your gifts to the church. It makes it a lot easier to handle, rather than having to count and bank cash. You can get a standing order form at the back of the church, and return them completed to Father, or Brendan Campbell. If you are a taxpayer, you can also complete the Gift Aid section of the form, so the church can claim 25% tax back from HMRC. Free money from HMRC; that doesn't happen often!

Don't forget that you can also make gifts via our card payment machine in church, using your payment card or Apple/Google Pay. It's really simple; just select the amount of your gift and tap your card / phone on the card reader. You can also donate online <https://donate.mydona.com/st-edwards-church-selly-park> or use QR code (see above). If you need help, just ask.

**The Blessing of Graves:** Saturday 4 November (3pm): Oscott Cemetry

Sunday 5 November (2pm): Brandwood End and Quinton Sunday 12 November (2pm): Lodge Hill

Sunday 19 November (2pm): Kings Norton Sunday 26 November: (2pm): Wythall and Robin Hood

**40 days for life:** The autumn campaign for the 40 days for life commenced on Wednesday 27 September and finishes on Sunday 5 November, (8a.m. to 8 p.m.) outside St. Joseph and St. Helens Station Road, Kings Norton B30 1JG. If you can support this campaign, please contact Isabel on 07773 501 721 or by e-mail [izzyvs@gmail.com](mailto:izzyvs@gmail.com). Your witness and prayers could save the life of an unborn child.

Come and Pray the Rosary before Mass on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 8.30am

October – Month of the Rosary  
November – Month of the Holy Souls

Envelopes for lists and donations available for Holy Souls.

**OUR DIOCESAN PRAYER - WALK WITH ME** Lord God, our light and our salvation, we praise you for your gifts of life and faith. We thank you for the desire that you have planted in our hearts, our yearning to see your face. Help us to meet you in prayer, to walk in your ways, and to speak to others of our joy and consolation in your presence. Give us faithfulness in this present life so that we may come to know and praise your beauty with all our brothers and sisters in the life to come. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT** O Holy Spirit, beloved of my soul, I adore you, enlighten me, guide me, strengthen me, console me – tell me what I should do. I promise to submit myself to all that you permit to happen to me – let me only know your holy will.

**ANIMA CHRISTI** Soul of Christ, sanctify me. Body of Christ, save me. Blood of Christ, inebriate me. Water from the side of Christ, wash me; passion of Christ, strengthen me. O Good Jesus hear me. Within thy wounds hide me. Suffer me not to be separated from thee. From the malignant enemy defend me. In the hour of death, call me and bid me to come to thee, that with thy saints, I may praise thee forever and ever. Amen

**DIOCESAN PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS** Lord Jesus, send labourers into your harvest. Inspire in the hearts of your people, vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life. Bless our homes, our families, our parishes, our diocese, our countries with a spirit of generosity. May those whom you call to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life have the courage to give themselves to your Church as co-operators in your work.

St John Vianney – *Pray for Us*

**ARCHDIOCESE VISION PRAYER** Spirit of God, descend on me this day. Grant me the Spirit of joy, to lift me, the Spirit of hope to inspire me, the Spirit of love to surround me and the Spirit of truth to enlighten my path. Holy Spirit, I pray for a new outpouring of your grace, so that I may grow in worship of your name in love of you in my prayer and in my actions towards others. Come Holy Spirit into my life to guide me, strengthen and defend me, so that I may be drawn ever closer to you. Help me this day and always to be a channel of grace in all I say and do and invite others into relationship with you. Amen

**PRAYER TO SAINT JOHN HENRY NEWMAN** Almighty and eternal God, we offer heartfelt thanks and praise for the life and witness of Saint John Henry Newman. In him You have given us and inspiring example of a priest and teacher heroically devoted to the pursuit of holiness and the salvation of souls. Through his intercession and his teaching we ask You to pour out Your blessings on all Your children who seek Your truth, so that all may come to know and love You in the one fold of the Redeemer, our Lord Jesus Christ Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever. Amen  
St John Henry Newman – *Pray for Us*

**Official Family Prayer for World Meeting of Families**

God, our Father, we are brothers and sisters in Jesus your Son, One family, in the Spirit of your love. Bless us with the joy of love.

Make us patient and kind, gentle and generous, welcoming to those in need. Help us to live your forgiveness and peace. Protect all families with your loving care, especially those for whom we now pray: [We pause and remember family members and others by name]

Increase our faith, strengthen our hope, keep us safe in your love, Make us always grateful for the gift of life that we share. This we ask, through Christ our Lord.  
Amen

Mary, mother and guide, pray for us.  
Saint Joseph, father and protector, pray for us.  
Saints Joachim and Anne, pray for us.  
Saints Louis and Zélie Martin, pray us.

**THE ANGELUS**

**V.** The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary;  
**R. And she conceived of the Holy Spirit, Hail Mary....**

**V.** Behold the handmaid of the Lord;  
**R. Be it done unto me according to thy word. Hail Mary....**

**V.** And the Word was made Flesh;  
**R. And dwelt among us. Hail Mary....**

**V.** Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God  
**R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.**

Let us pray. Pour forth, we beseech thee, O Lord, your grace into our hearts, that we to whom the Incarnation of Christ, your son, was made known by the message of an Angel, may by His Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of His Resurrection, through the same Christ our Lord. **R. Amen.**

May the divine assistance remain always with us, and may the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.  
**R. Amen**

**PRAYER FOR CLIMATE CHANGE**

Loving God, we praise your name with all you have created. You are present in the whole universe, and in the smallest of creatures. We acknowledge the responsibilities you have placed upon us as stewards of your creation. May the Holy Spirit inspire all political leaders as they seek to embrace the changes needed to foster a more sustainable society. Instill in them the courage and gentleness to implement fairer solutions for the poorest and most vulnerable and commit their nations to the care of Our Common Home. We ask this through Our Lord Jesus Christ your Son. Amen

**Pope's Prayer Intention for November**

**For the Pope**

We pray for the Holy Father, as he fulfils his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit

*Points to Ponder*

In Calcutta, India, there is a children's home named Shishu Bhavan; founded by Mother Teresa, the home continues to be operated by her community, the Missionaries of Charity. On the wall of the home hangs a sign which reads:

People are unreasonable, illogical, and self-centered. LOVE THEM ANYWAY

If you do good, people will accuse you of selfish ulterior motives, DO GOOD ANYWAY

If you are successful, you win false friends and true enemies, SUCCEED ANYWAY

The good you do will be forgotten tomorrow, DO GOOD ANYWAY

Honesty and frankness make you vulnerable, BE HONEST AND FRANK ANYWAY

What you spent years building may be destroyed overnight, BUILD ANYWAY

People really need help but may attack you if you help them, HELP PEOPLE ANYWAY

Give the world the best you have and you'll get kicked in the teeth, GIVE THE WORLD THE BEST YOU'VE GOT ANYWAY

Mother Teresa counseled her young charges that the challenges offered by this sign can be met only if human beings are motivated by a love and a respect for one another which looks beyond faults, differences, ulterior motives, success and failure. Love such as this originates in God who has taken the initiative of loving all people; once that love is known and experienced, it becomes contagious and must necessarily spill over and inform all other relationships.

Patricia Datchuck Sánchez