
 <p>THIS WEEK, THE CANDLES ARE BURNING FOR THE INTENTIONS OF SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA FOR Grace Price RIP</p>	 <p>SHRINE OF THE SACRED HEART FOR Peter McGahern RIP</p>
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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION - Saturday 10.30–11am & 5.15–5.45pm & *by appointment*
EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT - Friday 6.00 - 6.30pm & Saturday 10.30 - 11am.
DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET - Sunday at 3.00 p.m.
PRAYER GROUP – Wednesday at 10.00 a.m. *Everyone welcome!*

FINANCIAL MATTERS – 23rd February 2025		Lucky Number Draw
Gift Aid	£359.00	Standing Order £261.00
Non-Gift Aid	£332.78	Last Week Winner
Total	£641.78	No. 74 - £25.00
	<i>the Parish Maintenance.</i>	Teresa Crawford.
Thanks for your generous offerings!		

THE SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND IS FOR THE CATHEDRAL MAINTENANCE!

PARISH GIVING

The best way you can support the parish financially is by setting up a **Standing Order** using the following bank details:

NatWest Bank - Account No: 02272016 - Sort Code: 60 - 07 - 41
 or you may contact the Parish Office for a set of **Gift Aid** envelopes.

Useful Information

◊ **Sick List** - If you would like to add yourself, a relative or friend to the sick list you must complete a consent form, you can find them in the porch, and return it to the office.

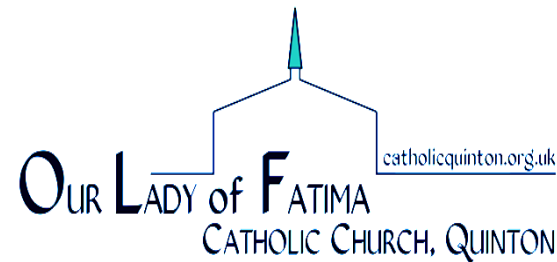
◊ **Baptisms**: Please complete the request forms and send to the office. You will be contacted to book a date.

◊ **Parish Hall** – Please contact the parish office via email olf.quinton.bham@rcaob.org.uk or telephone 0121 422 4865 to make an enquiry.

◊ **Safeguarding** - The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Irene Byrne & Georgina Wakeman. They can be contacted at: sg.olf.quinton.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.

Parish Administrator: Mrs Jackie McGuinness
Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 9.00 – 11.00 a.m.
 Wednesday 9.30 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.
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Parish Gift Aid: Maria Albanese **Email:** ga.olf.quinton.bham@rcaob.org.uk
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2ND MARCH 2025 – EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR C

Saturday	01	6:00 p.m.	Bill & Doreen Hodgkin
Sunday	02	11.15 a.m.	Brian Pettifer Kathleen Dan Prendergast
Monday	03	10.00 a.m.	Eileen & Mike Corbett
Tuesday	04	10.00 a.m.	James McIntosh
ASH WEDNESDAY	05	10:00 a.m.	Janusz & Halina Pietrusinscy RIP
		2:15 p.m.	People of the Parish * <i>Mass at OLF School</i>
		7:00 p.m.	John Kirby RIP
Thursday	06	10:00 a.m.	Tony Taylor
Friday	07	6:00 p.m.	<i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i>
		6:30 p.m.	Holy Souls
Saturday	08	10:00 a.m.	Anne Stokes
		10:30 a.m.	<i>Adoration and Confessions</i>

9TH MARCH 2025 – FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT – YEAR C - PSALTER WEEK I

Saturday	08	6:00 p.m.	Bernard Moran
Sunday	09	10:00 a.m.	Wendy Turner RIP Private Intention (S.H)

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

John Jennings, Delia Stewart, Janet Jones, Mary Basterfield, John McCallion, Mary Davitt, Donna Walsh, Bridie Kinsella, Mali Piggott, Issac Justin, Robert Kirby, Shellie Kerr, Dean Evans, Angela Kinsella, Anne Madden, Kay Hegarty, Pat Mills, Rona Gibson, Helen Taggart, Pat Davis, Bernie Earl, Kathleen Cook, Anthony Taylor.

May the Lord grant them consolation, peace and healing. May God give all involved in health care in hospital or in the community, grace, strength and perseverance.

PRAY FOR THE DEAD:

Please keep in your prayers all those that have died at this time. We pray also for those in whose anniversaries occur at this time. We pray especially for:

+ **Mr Leonard Paul Mills** who on Monday 3rd Feb, aged 90 years. The funeral Mass will take place at OLF at 10:30am on Monday 10th March followed by the cremation at Lodge Hill Crematorium at 12:15pm.

+ **Mrs Ann Marie Howell** who died on 1st Feb, aged 78 years. The funeral mass on Monday 17th March is for 11.30am, followed by the cremation at Lodge Hill at 1pm.

May they rest in peace. Amen.

ASH WEDNESDAY AND THE BEGINNING OF LENT SEASON 2025

A warm welcome to all those who are participating in the celebration of Mass this weekend. As we begin the sacred Season of Lent with ashes on our forehead, we are reminded that our lives here on earth are merely a journey with an ultimate goal of eternal life which we all share. So, now is the time to assure that we are prepared for that moment when the Lord calls us to himself and judges in love and mercy. Thus, Lent is a special invitation to deepen our commitment to daily conversion so that we are living with integrity and holiness of life. With the help of our Lord, we achieve this radical transformation through **prayer, fasting and almsgiving**. First is **prayer**, reminding us of our complete dependency on God. Secondly, **fasting** allows us to let go of the things that weigh us down and that we do not need, and to remind us that only God can satisfy the hunger of our hearts. Finally, our recommitment to **'love your neighbour as yourself'** transforms our hearts, as we grow in generosity. It is my hope and prayer that this Lent is a source of abundant blessings for all the people of our parish and school and a time of recommitment to the Lord and His call to conversion.

ASH WEDNESDAY

On Ash Wednesday 5th March with blessing & imposition of ashes at **10am, 2.15pm (OLF School) & 7pm Masses**. It is a day of Fasting and Abstinence – All those 14 and over to abstain from meat. For all adults between ages of 18 & 60 you are required to fast with one meal and only two other light portions during the day. Those outside of these ages restriction may of course engage with the fast.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Each Friday evening (from Friday 14th March) at 6pm followed by Holy Mass at 6.30 p.m.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT DURING LENT

Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays @9.30 - 10am & Saturdays 10.30-11am.

Sacrament of Reconciliation Confession will be available at the above times.

Walk with Me Booklets & Calendars

are available this weekend. We would welcome a donation £1 for each booklet.

FOR POPE FRANCIS – Health Update

A Holy See Press Office Statement on Friday evening says: *“Pope Francis’ respiratory condition worsened following an isolated bronchospasm. The Pontiff was promptly started on non-invasive mechanical ventilation, to which he is responding.”*

And Saturday morning says: *“After a quiet night, the Pope is resting”.*

Let us unite in prayer for his health and recovery, entrusting him to the mercy and care of Our Lord and Saviour. Jesus Christ.

Prayers for Pope Francis

Almighty and Eternal God, you are the everlasting health of those who believe in you. Hear our prayers for your sick servant Francis for whom we implore the aid of your tender mercy, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hail Mary...

Our Lady of Lourdes, *pray for him*.

Our Lady of Fatima, *pray for him*.

MASS INTENTIONS

If you would like a Mass to be offered for an intention on a specific date, please fill out an envelope at the back of Church and hand it to Fr Long. Please request this well in advance and check the bulletin to see when your Intention is being included. Thank you!

HARVINGTON HALL PILGRIMAGE - THURSDAY 20TH MARCH.

The coach has now been booked and places confirmed. Next week in the porch, there will be an envelope for you to take and return with the money to hand into Father Long. The total cost will be: Senior Citizen: £21.50 Adult: £22.50. This cost includes your coach fare to and from Harvington Hall as well as your entrance fee. The entrance fee includes a guided tour from a historian who will explain all about the Priest hides and why so many Catholics and Priests risked persecution and certain death to celebrate Holy Mass in secret. We too will celebrate Mass with Father Long in the same chapel as these devoted Catholics did whilst in fear of their lives. Please bring along a packed lunch on the day - teas and coffees will be available for purchase in the tea shop. The full details of pick up and return times will all be in your envelope. This will be a wonderful opportunity for us to celebrate Mass, reflect, pray and contemplate our faith during the Lenten season as a Parish community.

QUIZ NIGHT

A big thank you to the Parish Social Committee and our Quiz Master Tom McArdle for organising another very successful quiz. Thank you to everyone who came on Friday evening. We raised £241 for the parish maintenance. Well done to everybody.

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY CAFOD

Family Fast Day is Friday 14th March, a day when we eat simply and give generously to support families around the world. One small act of love this Lent will make a big difference to many communities affected by extreme hunger and children suffering from malnutrition. You can donate in church using a CAFOD envelope or by visiting the CAFOD website (cafod.org.uk/lent). Please return the envelope on the weekend 15/16 March.

LUCKY NUMBER DRAW

It is £1 a go and there will be 100 numbers to chose from so you could possibly win £50. You will just need to print your name clearly next to the number of your choice and hope your number is pulled out! The numbers will be on sale after each Mass and the draw will be made after the 10am Mass on each Sunday. The winner will receive half of the takings each week and the other half will go to Church funds. The winner will be announced in the Newsletter on the following Sunday and the Cheque for the winnings will be available for collection then. Good luck!

AND FINALLY...

We begin the great Season of Lent this Wednesday as our time of preparation for the celebration of Holy Week and Easter. This is also an important season in our Holy Year under its title of 'Pilgrims of Hope.' Lent is a time of renewal in hope and to trust Christ who not only forgives our sins, but promises that nothing can separate us from His love.

I wish you all a very blessed Sunday and a good week ahead. Fr Long Nguyen

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR MARCH: FOR FAMILIES IN CRISIS

Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.