#### THIS WEEK, THE CANDLES ARE BURNING FOR THE INTENTIONS OF

SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA FOR Year 6 Children (Confirmandi)

SHRINE OF THE SACRED HEART FOR Year 6 Children (Confirmandi)

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 – 26th February 2023

Gift Aid	£192.81	Standing Order £261-00	Lucky Number
Non-Gift Aid	<u>£225.66</u>		No. 15 £26.00
Total	£418.47	Second Collection £139.68	Eileen Walker
Thanks for your offerings!		For the Parish Maintenance.	

#### 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: Our Lady of Fatima

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 remember to consider using our Parish Hall for your family events, other family celebrations, gatherings and do recommend us to other people. All of this will help the parish to flourish into the future. Please contact parish office 0121 422 4865 to make an enquiry.

**Hospital Chaplaincy:** If you or a member of your family are admitted to one of the local hospitals do please let the hospital catholic chaplain know as the Hospital staff will not automatically let us know.

#### Parish Administrator: Mrs Kathy Carter

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Safeguarding Representative: Irene Byrne & Georgina Wakeman Email: sg.olf.quinton.bham@rcaob.org.uk Parish Gift Aid: Maria Albanese Email: ga.olf.quinton.bham@rcaob.org.uk

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#### 5TH MARCH 2023 – SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT – YEAR A

Saturday	04	6:00 p.m.	Marie Thompson RIP
Sunday	05	9:00 a.m.	Mona Riley (Birthday)
	05	11:00 a.m.	June Collins RIP Andy McGrath RIP
Monday	06	10:00 a.m.	Joan McGrath
Tuesday	07	10:00 a.m.	Holy Souls
	07	7:00 p.m.	Confirmation Mass For those being Confirmed
Wednesday	08		No Mass
Thursday	09	10:00 a.m.	Mary O'Shea Pray + Fast + Give
		5:30 p.m.	Reception of the Body – Leo Wall
Friday		12:00 noon	Funeral Mass – Leo Wall
	10	6:00p.m.	Station of the Cross
		6:30 p.m.	Marie & Michael Jennings
Saturday	11	10:00 a.m.	Bernadette O'Callaghan Year 3 First Confessions
		10:30 a.m.	Adoration and Confessions

#### 12TH MARCH 2023 - THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR A

Saturday	11	6:00 p.m.	John Barry RIP	Packy O'Donnell RIP
Sunday 2	10	9:00 a.m.	Kristina Mysliwiec	
	12	11:00 a.m.	Mary Horton RIP	

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK - John Kirby, Janet Jones, Diana Peeney, John Jennings, Delia Stewart, Mary Basterfield, John McCallion, Mary Davitt, Donna Walsh, Bridie Kinsella, Mali Piggott (child), Issac Justin (Child), Bill Tracey, Robert Kirby, Linda Stephenson, Dell Sheppard, Shellie Kerr and Dean Evans, Angela Kinsella. 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** - We pray also for those in whose anniversaries occur at this time. Please keep in your prayers all those that have died at this time. We pray especially for:

- Leo Wall who died peacefully on 14<sup>th</sup> February. His reception of the Body into Church on 9<sup>th</sup> March at 5.30pm. His funeral Mass will take place on 10<sup>th</sup> March at 12 noon.
- Queen Abieyuwo Uwaifo who died on 18<sup>th</sup> January. Reception of the Body into Church on 15<sup>th</sup> March at 5pm. Her funeral Mass will take place on 16<sup>th</sup> March at 10am.

#### THE SEASON OF LENT

Today's Gospel reminds us we are to be transfigured by the grace of the Lord during these days of Lent. Our acts of prayer, fasting and almsgiving assist us to respond to God's grace. May the weeks ahead enable all of us to grow in our relationship with the Lord and find true life and peace in him.

#### **Stations of the Cross**

Each Friday evening at 6pm followed by Holy Mass at 6.30 pm.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament During Lent

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

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confession will be available after weekday Mass. Saturday 10.30 – 11am. & 5.15 - 5.45pm and by appointment.

## CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY

Please return Cafod Family Fast Day envelope to the Second Collection this weekend or at <u>www.cafod.org.uk/give.</u> Your donations will help families fighting the climate crisis and ensure that our Church network can quickly respond to emergencies, like the recent earthquake in Syria and Turkey.

## SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

The second collection this weekend is for Cathedral Maintenance.

# SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION WITH BISHOP DAVID EVANS

On Tuesday evening we welcome Bishop David to the parish to administer the Sacrament of Confirmation to some of our young people and to celebrate Mass with us. Please pray for our young people who are eagerly awaiting the opportunity to renew their Baptismal Promises and receive the sevenfold gifts of the Holy Spirit. May the grace of this Sacrament enable them to become great witnesses of Christ and the saints of the 21st century.

## FIRST CONFESSIONS

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated on Saturday 11th March at 10.00am. Please pray for the children and their families.

## FAMILY VISITS

Families of Children who are preparing for their Sacraments, First Holy Communion and Confirmation, will be visited by Fr Long during Lent. The purpose of these visits is to create a connection between parish and families in order to nurture and support our children to grow in faith. The visit will be arranged between Fr Long and the family in advance. I hope to receive a warm welcome from you all.

# APF MASS FOR RED BOX HOLDERS

Next Saturday in St Chad's Cathedral 12 noon all RED BOX holders and supporters of Missio are invited to Mass celebrated by Archbishop Bernard. A great moment to come together to pray for the missionary work which so many of our parishioners are part of.

## SHRINES TO OUR LADY & THE SACRED HEART

These lamps burn perpetually at the statues of the Sacred Heart and Our Lady of Fatima. Would you like one of these to burn in memory of a loved one, or for a particular intention? If so, we are asking for a donation of £5 per week, which will go towards the costs of burning these candles and other necessities for the celebration of Mass. Please fill out an envelope at the back of Church and hand it to Fr Long. The intentions will be placed in order as they are received and published in the weekly newsletter. The candles are lit from Monday to Sunday. Lots of dates are still available!

## MASS INTENTIONS

Please be aware there is a waiting list for Mass intentions on a Sunday. If you want a specific date e.g. an anniversary, please request this well in advance. Thank you!

**MUSIC MINISTRY** - Over the last few years, we have lost a number of our musicians and singers and so music during Masses has dwindled. It would be such a lovely thing to be able to praise God with our musical offering, so I am imploring anyone with any musical talent, whether it be playing an instrument or singing, to get in touch with me. How wonderful it would be to celebrate the Easter season with a full music group!! Please think if this is something you could contribute to the parish, after all St Augustine said: "to sing is to pray twice"!!

**PIETY STALL** - We have just restocked the Piety Stall with new items. Please take a look, we have lots of lovely items for your friends and family. Also, on sale our St Patrick's Day cards, Mother's Day cards and Easter Cards also Easter Mass Cards. First Holy Communion and Confirmation Cards. Please put your money in the box marked 'Piety'.

## BOOKING OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH HALL

Please remember to consider using our Parish Hall for your family events, other family celebrations, gatherings and do recommend us to other people. We now have our own skittle alley for you to hire for your party. Please contact parish office 0121 422 4865 or via email: olf.quinton.bham@rcaob.org.uk to discuss booking arrangements.

## MAKING DONATIONS USING OUR NEW CONTACTLESS TERMINAL

As we all know, in recent years there has been a huge reduction in the number of dayto-day cash payments in favour of bankcard payments. Many of us no longer routinely carry cash, so following the lead of other Parishes we have introduced an alternative option to make donations. You can continue to put cash into the collection bags if you prefer, but you will also now be able to make donations via the contactless card terminal which is situated in the church porch. It is very simple to use. There are also some printed instructions which can be found in the porch. Thank you! Father Long.

**AND FINALLY**... Please may I remind everyone to be mindful of other people who are praying in Church before and after Mass and also not to speak during Mass itself.