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St. Peter's Catholic Church, Bloxwich



Ubi Petrus ibi Ecclesia ibi Deus

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PARISH NEWSLETTER **Sat 16th/ Sun 17th March 2024**

5th Sunday of Lent (Year B)

SAT Entrance **227** Offertory **106** Communion **663** Recession **40**

SUN Entrance **227** Offertory **106** Communion **663** Recession **234** 1st/last verses

For those who have died: Paddy McLaughlin, Gerry McDonagh

Funerals:

Please keep in your prayers: John & Bridie McDonagh, Jane McDonagh, Mary McCrank, Glen Preece, , Caroline Holland, Tom Bradley, Maureen Salmon, Joyce Walsh, Eddie McDonagh, Suzy McDonagh, Marie McKenzie, Philip Gormley, Francis Keane, Anne Russell, Maureen Byrne, William Kelly, John Farrell, Ann Gilrairie, Margaret McNulty, Cornelius Cronan, Tom Brennan, Thomas McHugh, Tara Ford, Michael Welsh, Simon Woods, Chris Kane, Jim Malachi, Monica Carrington, Michael McHugh, Anne Scott, James Swindel, Reg Ford, Chris Voice, Fr Brian Brown, Lisa Dean and Danny Dean, Winnie Lawlor, Margaret Bednall, Sandra, John Magnier, Sheila Cronin, Maureen Rowland-Aitken, Elaine and David Sumner, Jackie Logan, Brenda Guest, Graham Lawlor, Terence Dixon, Robert Sweeney, Dayna Haywood, John Eccles, Gerry Stokes, Frank Gallagher, Mary Chester, Ann Mountford, Jim Lowndes, Baby Lisa Mongham

Pope Francis Prayer Intention (MARCH): For the New Martyrs We pray for those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world. In flame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm

CONFESSIONS: Sat 10.00 to 10.45am & before mass or by appointment

ADORATION: Tues 9.00am—9.50am & Sat 10.00-10.50am

BAPTISMS: Sun at 11:45am by appointment

ROSARY: 20 mins before mass

CHOIR: Sing at 10.00am mass. **Anyone can join.**

**** CHILDREN'S LITURGY **:** During Sun 10:00am Mass

TEAS and COFFEE: After Sun 10:00am Mass in Parish Hall. **All Welcome**



COVENANTS In the weeks of Lent so far we have followed God's work of salvation: we have seen the Covenants he established with Noah, Abraham, Moses and the people of Israel after the return from Babylon. Now we come to one of the most significant parts of the Old Testament: the promise of a brand new Covenant, which will be different from all those that went before. *{Jeremiah 31:31-34}* This Covenant will see God and Man living more closely together. For

the ratification of a Covenant, something was always sacrificed as a sign of the new relationship – normally man would offer some animal offering to God. But the New Covenant will be ratified not with the death of sheep or bull, but by the death of Jesus Christ, God and Man. *{John 12:20-30}*. In this perfect sacrifice is the source of our eternal salvation.

SAFEGUARDING NOTICE: *The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Elizabeth Briars. They can be contacted at: sg.stpeters.bloxwich@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.*

MASS/SERVICE TIMES, FEAST DAYS and ACTIVITIES

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| Sat 16 Mar | 10.00am | Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament | |
| Sat 16 Mar | 11.00am | | Robert Alfred Smith RIP |
| Sat 16 Mar | 3.00pm | Rite of Christian For Adults (instruction) | |
| Sat 16 Mar | 4.00pm | Rite of Christian For Adults (instruction) | |
| Sat 16 Mar | 4.45pm | Stations of the Cross | |
| Sat 16 Mar | 5.30pm | 5TH SUNDAY OF LENT (VIGIL) | Alice Gazarian RIP, Nigel Afonso Birthday |
| Sun 17 Mar | 10.00am | 5TH SUNDAY OF LENT | Terry McKenzie RIP, Aderinola Veronica Birthday |
| Sun 17 Mar | 12.30-2.30pm | Sunday Communions | |
| Mon 18 Mar | | NO MASS | |
| Tue 19 Mar | 9.00am | Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament | |
| Tue 19 Mar | 10.00am | | Robert Morris RIP |
| Tue 19 Mar | 10.45am | Stations of the Cross | |
| Wed 20 Mar | 10.30am | Lent feria | Fr David's Intentions |
| Thu 21 Mar | 9.30am | Mass in St Peter's School | Staff and pupils of school |
| Thu 21 Mar | 2.30pm | Governors Meeting St Peter's School | |
| Fri 22 Mar | 10.00am | | |
| Sat 23 Mar | 9.00am | Mass in Swinfen Hall HMP | Holy Souls in purgatory |
| Sat 23 Mar | 10.00am | Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament | |
| Sat 23 Mar | 11.00am | Lent feria | Sick of the parish |
| Sat 23 Mar | 3.00pm | Rite of Christian For Adults (instruction) | |
| Sat 23 Mar | 4.00pm | Rite of Christian For Adults (instruction) | |
| Sat 23 Mar | 4.45pm | Stations of the Cross | |
| Sat 23 Mar | 5.30pm | PALM SUNDAY (VIGIL) | James Shaughnessy anniversary |
| Sat 24 Mar | 10.00am | PALM SUNDAY | Pro Populo people of parish |
| Sat 24 Mar | 12.30-3.00pm | Sunday Communions | |



ST PETER'S PARISH WHATSAPP GROUP. To join: 1.) Give Fr. David or Sr.Tonia your WhatsApp phone number to add you manually or 2.) Send a WhatsApp message 'ADD ME' to the Parish WhatsApp number; 07840781301.

ENVELOPES Gift Aid envelopes are now available in the Entrance to the Church.

****Important****—*please only take these envelopes if you Gift Aid and only take the numbered envelope associated with your name.* If you have forgotten your number Fr. David has a list.

If you are a taxpayer (whether it be on wages, pensions or dividends on shares) please consider being a Gift-Aider. **For every £1 you give the taxman gives an extra 25p.** So if you give £100 per year the taxman will give the Church an extra £25! Only one declaration is necessary and you can cancel at any time. Forms are available from Fr. David.

****Important****—*if you are not a Gift-Aider but want an envelope to put your weekly donations in, envelopes are on a table at the entrance (unnumbered).*



Please use the DONA Digital Collection Plate Machines for giving. Please also Gift Aid Donations. It adds 25% to all donations made. Thank you. The DONA System is also available from our website so weekend collections can be made from home.

RETIRING COLLECTION: EASTER FLOWERS: There is a retiring collection for flowers at Easter this weekend and next. Donations for flowers can also be made using the DONA Digital Collection Plate.



Readers for Holy Week: The rota for Holy Week readers has been prepared. Please pick up your copy. **This Week's Readers (as per Rota)**

16-Mar Christine Humphreys Sr Tonia **17-Mar** Victoria Oleghe Julie Bennett

ANNIVERSARIES: Those whose anniversaries occur this week include: **Robert Morris, and Barry Gardner.**

ST PETER'S FOODBANK : Grateful thanks for donations weighing 41.4kg plus 2 cash donations . We had a busy Monday with large families. We are also helping Ukrainian refugees and asylum seekers. Shortages; Tinned: Soup, baked beans vegetables, potatoes, meats, tuna, rice pudding, & cereal.

PASTORAL LETTER AND A PARISH COUNCIL: We have a Pastoral letter from Archbishop Longley this weekend. He will be asking for all Parishes to have Pastoral Councils. We used to have one but it became defunct during COVID. We will have to have a Council in the future. We need volunteers to take part—for example to have a secretary. The proposal will be for an IN_COUNCIL. That is, instead of meeting in the evenings it will also be open to all parishioners after Saturday/Sunday masses. And will meet perhaps 4 times a year. If you would like to help please see Fr. David. Thank you to volunteers on the Finance Committee.

Cash Collection Plate

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| Gift Aid | Non Gift Aid |
| £ 225.00 | £ 272.90 |
| £ 56.25 | |

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| £ 48.00 | £ 30.00 |
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| Gift Aid | Non Gift Aid |
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WEEKEND TOTAL £ 595.90

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| Mass Count Sat | 71 | With Gift Aid |
| Mass Count Sun | 162 | £ 669.15 |

Thank you

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