



# St Patrick's Catholic Church

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## 25<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME– 20<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2020 Year A

Saturday	19 Sep	5.00pm	Ray Todd (RIP); Neighbours in Milverton Road; Bernard Walsh (RIP); Fiona Lindsay
Sunday (1st Reading: Isaiah 55:6-9 Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16)	20 Sep	10.30am	People of St Patrick's Parish; Bernard Walsh (RIP); Chris Sugrue; Smith Family; John Hopkins
Monday	21 Sep	9.30am	
Tuesday	22 Sep	9.30am	Those who look after the sick and vulnerable; Bernard Walsh (RIP); Holy Souls; Kuinikowska Family
Wednesday	23 Sep	9.30am	
Thursday	24 Sep	9.30am	Protection from Covid-19 for all of us; Bernard Walsh (RIP)
Friday	25 Sep	9.30am	
Saturday	26 Sep	5.00pm	Help in these dangerous times; Ray Todd (RIP)
Sunday	27 Sep	10.30am	Liz Pitman; Bernard Walsh (RIP); Eugene Jordan

<b>Devotional Candles:</b>	
<b>Sacred Heart:</b>	<b>Our Lady:</b>
<b>St Joseph:</b> Special Intention (BK)	<b>St Anthony:</b>

COLLECTIONS	
<b>13<sup>th</sup> September 2020:</b>	<b>£1,005.81</b>

**Prayer 2020:** Sunday this week is 20<sup>th</sup> September. Let's join with Prayer 2020 and pray for 20 minutes on 20<sup>th</sup> at 2020 for the needs of our world.

### THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Your prayers are asked for the sick and lonely of the parish, those in hospital and the housebound, especially:

<b>Tom Ruddy</b>	<b>Rosemary Doherty</b>
<b>Eileen Connolly</b>	<b>Annie Neville</b>
<b>Veronica Griffin</b>	<b>Maureen Noone</b>
<b>Maureen Bird</b>	<b>Theresa Smith</b>
<b>Noreen Hegarty</b>	<b>Rita Keogh</b>
<b>Bridie Guilfoyle</b>	<b>Hazel Hancock</b>

May God grant them healing, comfort and ease of pain. We remember also all those who are suffering with Covid-19.

### BAPTISMS

We welcome **Elena McNamara** into God's family. May He bless her and her family.

### SECOND COLLECTION

There will be a second collection this week as you leave the church for **Catholic Evangelisation**.

### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Those who have died recently, those who mourn for them and those whose anniversary occurs around this time. We especially remember all those who have died from Covid-19. Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord. May they rest in peace.

### PARISH PRAYER

Father, pour out your Holy Spirit on each member of our parish.  
Warm our hearts with your love, so that we can follow you more closely.  
Enlighten our minds so that we can understand the truth of your word.  
Protect and strengthen all marriages and family life.  
Make our homes places of prayer, peace, harmony and welcome.  
Inspire us to work together with enthusiasm and build our parish into a loving and caring community.  
We make our prayer through  
Christ Our Lord.  
Amen.

## SEASON OF CREATION 2<sup>nd</sup> SEPTEMBER – 4<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER

Every year we have a service of Blessing of the Animals to mark the "Season of Creation" on the Feast of St Francis. This year we are unable to do this due to Covid restrictions. We do, however, still need to remember our impact on creation and mark it in some other way.

It has been amazing how lockdown across the world has had a positive effect on our environment. Just today in the news, it was reported how the cleaner air which has resulted from us not travelling so frequently, has reduced the number of children reporting with asthma. Could we, as a Parish work together to make concerted effort with this? Let's start by joining the diocesan on-line conference in order to get ideas to help us start. **See details below.**

### **Birmingham Justice & Peace Assembly 2020: The climate emergency: listening to the 'cry of the earth and the cry of the poor'**

This year the Assembly will take place **ONLINE**, with one-hour sessions over three evenings at **7.30pm: Monday 28 September, Wednesday 30 September, Friday 2 October** and culminating with an Evening Prayer with the participation of Archbishop Bernard on **Sunday 4 October at 7pm.**

Sessions include: Ecological Conversion – an 'examination of conscience' on our care for our common home; Prepare the Future – building back better to address the climate emergency; and Local Government Responsibilities – planning for the West Midlands.

For more information and to book go to <https://bit.ly/JPassembly2020> or email [bham.jandp@gmail.com](mailto:bham.jandp@gmail.com)

### **THANKSGIVING AFTER COMMUNION**

A lot of people find it difficult to receive communion at the end of Mass and leave the church without a time of thanksgiving, so they stand around the sanctuary in private prayer. We are very lucky to have a beautiful memorial garden and I am asking that you make your thanksgiving there. Standing around the sanctuary steps causes congestion around the door and prevents social distancing. I am sorry to have to say this but if we do not comply with directives, we may be shut down again.

### **CHURCH HEATING**

As you know, the heating broke down in March and we have been trying all through lockdown to raise the money to get it repaired. Hopefully, we will receive this very soon. In the meantime, as the weather is getting cold, we ask you to bear with us and wrap up warm when you come to Mass. Sorry for any inconvenience.

## CONFIRMATION FOR CHILDREN NOT IN CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

Parents of children who are not in Catholic schools and who wish them to be prepared for the sacrament of Confirmation are requested to ask for an application form. These are now available at church. Closing date for applications is **27<sup>th</sup> September**. Confirmations will take place on **14th November at 10.00am** Covid permitting.

### **Reminder**

Mass times: from 11<sup>th</sup> July until further notice

**Saturday 5.00pm**

**Sunday 10.30 am**

**Tuesday 9.30am**

**Thursday 9.30am**

Please try to come at least 10 minutes early as it will take time to seat everybody and we would like to start Mass on time.

### **BOOKINGS FOR MASS**

We no longer need you to book for mid-week Masses as there have been very few people attending and there is plenty of room for anybody who wishes to come. It would, however, still be beneficial to book for Saturday and Sunday Masses as the church capacity is so reduced. To Book, please phone **Sr. Frances on 07706400871.**

**You are required to wear a face covering at Mass. If you do not have one, you can buy one as you enter the church for 50p.**

### **RECEIVING THE NEWSLETTER**

During lockdown we were able to send out a newsletter to all our parishioners who are on the database but we are very aware that many were not registered and so were in many respects cut off. The signs at present suggest that there may be further lockdowns around the corner and should this happen, we want to ensure that we reach as many of our parishioners as possible either by email or by post. If you did not receive a newsletter during lockdown and would like to if the churches are closed again, please register your email or postal address with us by taking a database sheet from the table by the exit door and filling it in. We will not share your details with any third party but only use it for communication from the church. If you are unsure about this, please speak to Fr George or one of the sisters about it and they will explain.

If you are happy reading the newsletter online, please do not pick up a paper copy as it saves the environment and resources.

**Pope Francis says:** "Everyone needs to be touched by the comfort and attraction of God's saving love, which is mysteriously at work in each person, above and beyond their faults and failings."