

MASSES

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 19th October 2025

This weekend there will be a second collection for the Church Maintenance Fund

Saturday	5.30pm	Doreen Morris Wellbeing (B&P S)
Sunday	8.45am	People of the Parish
	10.30am	Michael Kelly Anniv (MH)
Weekday Mass (Yr 1 Ps. Wk 1)		
20.10 Mon	10.00am	Feria Noreen Sexton Wellbeing (T&J T)
21.10 Tues	10.00am	Feria Margaret Fullalove Wellbeing (T&J T)
22.10 Wed	10.00am	St John Paul II Fr Stephen Myers (FL)
23.10 Thurs	10.00am	Feria Eve Hands Wellbeing (T&J T)
24.10 Fri	10.00am	Feria Maureen Carroll RIP (D&E B)
25.10 Sat	10.00am	Our Lady on Saturday Mum and Dad Birthday Int (CO)

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 26th October 2025

Saturday	5.30pm	Dcn Stephen Saum (Friends)
Sunday	8.45am	People of the Parish
	10.30am	Gina Lashford RIP (EB & Family)

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Saturday morning 9.05am – 9.50am

Confessions this Saturday morning 9.15am – 9.45am

Rosary – Monday to Saturday 9.30am

Divine Mercy Chaplet – Friday after Mass

CHURCH CLEANING

This week	V Wilson	P Hogan
Next week	A Robinson	S Chester

READERS	5.30pm	8.45am	10.30am
This week	J Musgrave	Year 6	R Slater
Next week	N Damms	G O'Gara	J McDonald

Parish Priest: Fr John Cross

Deacon: Rev Mr Stephen Saum, Rev Dr Subhi Zora. Priest in Residence: Fr Paul Dean.

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Jubilee Year 2025 Pilgrims of Hope

Twenty-Ninth Sunday of the Year 19th October



Dear Parishioners,

Today we welcome the children of Year 6 (Top Class) from School who are here with their parents and families for the Ceremony of Enrolment for the Sacrament of Confirmation. For the Confirmandi, the weeks until January are a time of prayer and preparation to help them to worthily receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The gift they receive nourishes the Church – our church and school community and the wider world. Our parish family has supported our school in many different ways. For example in the dedication and vocation of countless parents who kept the promise to bring their children up in the practice of the faith. I think of the many priests of our parish who have served the school community with Mass and services and support. Together we create the family of God: School, Home and Parish: a true Christian family of faith, hope and love.

Thank you for your welcome of the priests who celebrated Mass for the last two weekends while I was away: Fr Tim Mulroy, Fr Bernie McDermott and Fr Denis Carter from the Columban Fathers and not forgetting Fr Paul who was in the background keeping everything running smoothly. We are blessed to have the Columban community based in our parish. Thank you also to Chris Loughran who spoke about the work of Missio and how we can lend our support.

This last week after returning from my holiday I had to hit the ground running. Tuesday we had our Birmingham North and East Deanery Meeting at Kingstanding in Birmingham. Then on Wednesday afternoon a Finance Meeting and in the evening Learning about the Faith. Thursday and Friday I was back at St Peter's in Leamington Spa for two funerals, back to back, following the death of my former assistant priest of 7 years Fr Noel Breslin who died suddenly at home, a few weeks ago and my former housekeeper Ros Dobbin. At very short notice I was asked to preach at Fr Noel's funeral. Normally this is the task of the Bishop. It has been a very busy and tiring few days. I need a little rest now to recharge my batteries unless God has any other plans for me....

The Blessing of the Graves at Widney Manor will be at 2.30pm weather permitting. If it is pouring with rain I will try the following week. Check out the newsletter.

Every Blessing, Fr John

Sunday Mass Time Don't forget the new time for Mass on Sunday starting on 2nd November will be 9.30am.

Blessing of Graves: In November we traditionally have the Blessing of the Graves. The graves of our departed loved ones buried at Knowle Parish Church Cemetery will be blessed by Mgr McHugh on Sunday 2nd November at 12 noon. The graves at Widney Manor will be blessed on Sunday 19th October at 2.30pm weather permitting. Please keep this date to yourselves as it is for parishioners of St George & St Teresa only.

The Christmas Cards are now on sale. Much cheaper than in the shops and religious pictures. Come and take a look at the Piety corner in the Narthex. We shall have our internal church post box as usual which allows us to send cards to each other without the cost of a stamp. However please put a full name on the card. Writing "Christine" or "Michael" on the envelope keeps all of us guessing. I also have just received 5 redeptorist Diaries. I will put them out in a week or two when we have our Dona credit card machine working.

Confirmation Classes. These will begin on Sunday mornings from 11am to 12 noon in the Conference Room in the Parish centre starting on Sunday 9th November. We hope candidates and their families will attend the new 9.30am Mass together and then come to us. I am sure we can provide a few light refreshments. At the moment Fr John is assisting Carolyn for these Instructions but we desperately need more help. I appeal and beg you to think if you could help. Your faith is enough and willingness to help is enough and the Lord will help you.

Solihull Chandos Choir are performing the Verdi Requiem on Saturday 8th November 2025 at 2.00 pm at Shirley Methodist Church. Tickets are £17 (includes programme and interval refreshments). Under 18s free. Tickets are online at solihullchandoschoir.org or by phone on 01564 779 962.

Cluster News (St George and St Teresa, Our Lady of the Wayside, St Augustine and Olton Friary)

The Youth Club Our Youth Club meet every Friday evening (term time) from 6:30pm till 8pm – All are welcome.

Children in years 5 and 6 meet at Our Lady of the Wayside Church Hall.

Children in years 7, 8, and 9 meet at Olton Friary Church Hall.

Your SVP is here to help! We follow the example of our patron St Vincent: to care for the housebound, the elderly and the sick. We also visit carers. We are here to help. Please contact email svpstgt@btinternet.com

The "Kid's Bulletin" on the table by the newsletters.

Food Bank: Please support the food bank. If everyone could buy one extra item when they go shopping and put it in the basket in the Narthex. We deliver the food on your behalf every week. **Thank you in anticipation of your continued & generous support.**

Please pray for the sick: Tony Turner, Deacon Stephen Saum, Janet Zora, Arthur Uzell, Tony Parsons, Rod Goodman, Joe Stephens, Michael Grosvenor, Dorothy Perkins, Jill Baynham, Matthew Gallagher, Jane Cotter, Margaret Cosgrove and Jesse Cusack Morris, and all in our nursing homes, hospice and hospitals.

Rest In Peace: Patricia Bailey, Timothy Brien, Fr Noel Breslin.

Anniversaries (this week) from the last 20 years: Dcn Michael Doody, Jack Clyde, Bernard Asquith, Michael Corrigan. *May they rest in peace. Amen*

Offeritory:

19.10.25: Gift Aid Envelopes £235 Loose Plate £261.

Missio £584. Many thanks for your donations.

Av standing order and online per week £750.

Mass Attendance: Last week 218.



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Parish Centre News. Timetable for next week on the noticeboard. If you are having a family occasion, please consider booking our hall for your venue. **It is important that users of the Parish Centre arrange bookings (and payments for non-Parish Events) through Oksana Zurak 07967-846-963 or oksanazurak@gmail.com**

Made me smile: I sent my hearing aids to be repaired 2 weeks ago and I haven't heard a dicky bird since.

Don't believe everything you read on the internet. The Great Wall is made of stone, not China.

The audacity of my local bank which charges me £1.95 to take money out of my account and then tells me to hold my hand over the pin number to avoid being robbed!

I went to the butchers and asked for an asteroid pie. "What's that?" He asked. I said, "it's like the one you sold me last week but a little meteor!"

Husband: My doctor said as you are so old he would refer me to an archaeologist!

Wife: Audiologist dear, you cannot hear.

I just received a text saying I had won 2 tickets to an Elvis Presley tribute show. It said press 1 for the money and 2 for the show.

Today I went fishing and used liquorish for bait. I caught all sorts.

Good book for autumn. How to Clear leaves from your driveway by Ray King.

Men who shorten their names to Pat are missing a trick.

Someone asked me what the 9th letter of the alphabet was. It was a complete guess but I was right.

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese's policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Sandy Walmsley and Daphne Morgan. They can be contacted at: sg.stgeorge-stteresa.dorridge@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.