

Parish of St. Gerard, Castle Vale

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SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

28 July 2019

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"O God, protector of those who hope in you, without whom nothing has firm foundation, nothing is holy, bestow in abundance your mercy upon us and grant that, with you as our ruler and quide, we may use the good things that pass in such a way as to hold fast even now to those that ever endure "

Visit from Legion of Mary: 31st August 2019-7th September 2019.

If anyone is able to host any of the 8 visitors then please let Fr Soji know as soon as possible

Lord, make those who are not well, get better and grant those who have died eternal rest in your heavenly home. Amen

Mass Times

them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

Sunday 28th July

Confessions 9.15 -9.45 am Mass 10.000 am

For Patricia Brennan R.I.P.

Monday 29th July Mass 10.00 am

Tuesday 30th July No Mass

Wednesday 31st July No Mass

Thursday 1st August No Mass

Friday 2nd August Mass 9.00am For Harry Renshaw R.I.P. Then Visiting the Sick

Saturday 3rd August No Mass

Sunday 4th August Confessions 9.15 -9.45 am Mass 10.000 am

Recently died: Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon

The sick: George Irwin, Linda Conroy, Debbie Johnson, Perry Desmond, Philip Fox, Kevin Hollis, Kathy Beatie, Father Gabby Maguire & all the sick priests of the diocese. May the Lord grant them the healing they require.

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

Communion to the Sick and Housebound:

If you know of anyone who is unable to go to Mass, and would like Communion, please contact Father Soji who will endeavour to arrange.

Mass Intentions: If you would like to have a Mass celebrated for a particular intention: on behalf of a family member, a friend or a deceased loved one, to remember a birthday or anniversary, Mass Intention envelopes available at the back of church.

Flower Intentions: If you would like to have flowers placed on the Altar for a particular intention: on behalf of a family member, a friend or a deceased loved one, to remember a birthday or anniversary, Flower Intention envelopes available at the back of church.

Offertory Collection Last Week

Gift aid £ 73.00 1 Non-gift aid (loose) £ 102.05 **Total Offertories** £ 175.05 Donation from 100 Club £ 361.00 **Total Banked** £ 536.05

Thank you for your continued generosity

Altar Flowers this week

Donated by Sehion Ministry UK following their "Door of Grace" Ministry yesterday.

Thank you



Readers & Eucharistic Ministers Readers

Reading: Frances Irwin

Bidding prayers: Benedict Chadzutsa

Eucharistic Ministers

Shirley Harris

Anne-Marie Hayes

Frances Irwin

St Gerard's Catholic Primary School

'We Live, Love and Learn Together with Jesus'



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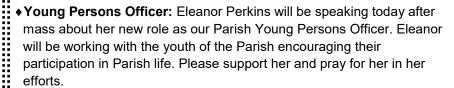
School website:

www.stgerard.bham.sch.uk

- ♦ Our Parish Safeguarding Officer is Ann Nicholls who can be contacted on 07853 271306
- ◆Our Parish Administrator is Sue Perkins who can be contacted on 07971 076835 or stgerardscv.rc@gmail.com
- ◆Our Young Persons Officer is Eleanor Perkins who can be contacted on 07852 404992 or emp010697@googlemail.com
- ♦ When Father Soji is away, in any emergency, please contact Fr. Leonard Cox on 07790 827184
- Newsletter; If you would like news or events advertised in Sunday's newsletter, please contact the Parish Administrator no later than Thursday.
- ◆Baptisms; Please contact the Parish Administrator to obtain an application form and make arrangements. Parent(s) have to be baptised Catholic and attend Sunday Mass regularly.

Parish Notice Board

♦ Mass attendance: last week: 72



- ◆St Gerard's Nursery: There is currently a space in our Nursery for September 2019 for a child born between 1 September 2015 and 31 August 2016. Anyone interested should contact the school office on 0121 464 2613.
- ◆ Head Teacher vacancy: Anyone interested should visit the school website for details.
- ♦ Gift Aid: UK tax payers can sign up to Gift Aid and we can collect 25% more from our offertory collections. For more information please contact our Parish Administrator.
- ◆ Refreshments: Refreshments will be served in the Parish Centre after mass every Sunday. Please join together for a cuppa and a chat for 10-15 minutes in you can.
- ◆ Refreshments Rota: If you are able to help serve refreshments after Mass on a Sunday to share the load then please add your name to the list on the noticeboard at the back of church.
- ◆ Church cleaning: We are looking to resurrect a church cleaning group on a rota basis to keep our church clean and tidy. If you feel that you could help by sparing an hour then please contact our Parish Administrator.
- ◆ Children's Liturgy: We are looking to start a children's liturgy during Sunday morning Mass. If any parishioners feel able to commit to helping run this on a rota basis then please contact our Young Persons Officer.
- ◆ Ladies that Lunch (or men!): Took place last Thursday and we welcomed some 20 plus people who appeared to have a very enjoyable few hours. We look forward to seeing them again for our next get together on 22 August 2019, 12.30pm-2.30pm.
- ◆ Sacrament of the sick; Please approach a priest to receive sacrament of the sick before being admitted to hospital for treatment. If you are housebound or are unable to attend mass, a priest will be happy to visit you in your home.
- ◆ Harvington Hall: The annual Harvington Pilgrimage will take place on Sunday 1st September.
- ◆St Joseph's Care Home, Coleshill offers residential care to older people and those living with dementia in a Catholic setting. Respite bedrooms are also available for those that could benefit from a short stay. If you or someone you know might benefit from the care offered, please call Father Hudson's Care on 01675 434500.
- ◆ Trip to the seaside: Youngstars have organised a community trip to Weston Super Mare on Saturday 17th August 2019. Cost is £16.50 per person and the coach will leave from the church centre at 8.00am and leave Weston Super Mare at 6.00pm. To book your place please contact Youngstars at the church centre.

