

**ST EDWARD'S PARISH CHURCH  
SELLY PARK, B29 7DB**



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**Organists/pianists**

**Legion of Mary**

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The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times.

**Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Mary Daniels.** She can be contacted at: [sg.stedward.bham@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.stedward.bham@rcaob.org.uk) or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/ [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concern.

**Live stream: YouTube link:** <https://www.youtube.com/@stedwardsellypark>

**Upper Room:** <https://camstreamer.com/redirect/W4JR563Ajpynm7TZEslwHyScpe61qaZYWD4JMI1>

**Church:** <https://camstreamer.com/redirect/yoio6oWmYvI3tjNN7MCDKiE6FW7GnNb6ZWISrdLMC>

**Online donations** <https://donate.myдона.com/st-edwards-church-selly-park>

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	Sat 27 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Pat McGowan RIP Fiona
Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Sun 28 <sup>th</sup>	10.15am	Tony & Maureen Hogan RIP Kevin
	Monday Rosary 8.30am		
Feast of Ss Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels	Mon 29 <sup>th</sup>	9.00am	Mick McGrath RIP
Memorial of St Jerome	Tues 30 <sup>th</sup>	7.00pm	Ying Yuk Foo RIP Judith
	Wednesday Rosary 8.30am		
Memorial of St Therese of the Child Jesus	Wed 1 <sup>st</sup> October	9.00am	Kathleen Lawless RIP
		9.45am	(School) Parishioners
	Thursday Rosary 8.30am		
Memorial of the Holy Guardian Angels	Thu 2 <sup>nd</sup>	9.00am	Kathleen Lawless RIP
	Friday Rosary 8.30am		
	Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup>	9.00am	No Intention
	Sat 4 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Enda & Brendan McInerney RIP Kay & Jimmy Swanek RIP Marie
Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time	Sun 5 <sup>th</sup>	10.15am	Eamonn Lacy RIP Mary Rochford
	<b>Weekday Mass in 'Upper Room'</b>		

**Mass Attendance:**

Sat (6.00pm) No. of people:      Off Collection:      2<sup>nd</sup> Collection Catholic Evangelisation:

Sun (10.15am) No. of people:      Off Collection:      2<sup>nd</sup> Collection Catholic Evangelisation:

Card machine 1st Collection:      2<sup>nd</sup> Collection:      Sincere thanks

**Church cleaning:** volunteers are needed to help with regular church cleaning – call Bernard 07580 011278

**Tea & Coffee after 10.15am Mass will restart on Sunday 21 September.**

**Jubilee Pilgrimage to Knock** on 10th November; £799 pps. For more information contact 01268

762 278 or email [knockpilgrimages@gmail.com](mailto:knockpilgrimages@gmail.com)

**The Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency (CSSA)** are undertaking a thematic inspection of survivor engagement and support, and the Archdiocese of Birmingham has been chosen as one of the Dioceses to be involved in this project. Please find a survey and more information on our Parish website at <https://stedward.org.uk/safeguarding/>

**Jubilee Prayer** In the year of the Jubilee,

We ask you to touch anew

With the love of your Son, Jesus Christ.

Enlighten our minds With the Holy Spirit

And strengthen our hands for Service.

Through the intercession of Mary, Mother of God.

*Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions: Saturday 4.30pm – 5.30pm  
Gluten free hosts available before Mass in the Sacristy*

*Legion of Mary – Mondays at 7.15pm – upper room – all are welcome to join*

**SICK:** Rose Hyland, Caroline Holland, Marie Flynn, Felix McCann, Joan Dunne, James Neild, Megan Foley, Peter Power, Noreen Brannelly, Emma Bettam **and all the sick and housebound of the Parish.**

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Rev Edward Cotter, Rev Laurence Daly, Rev Denis Mary Egan, Deacon Tony Colby, Rev William McGann, Deacon John Burrows, Rev John Nightingale, Rev John Danaher, Rev John Bullen **Also** Mark Anthony Hogan, Ma Liberty Manapsal, Peter Casswell, Pat McGowan, James McNeil, Liam O'Sullivan, Ricki Gallagher, Mary Noon, Adnan Kandrian, Kay Power, Gerard McInerney, Margaret Dymrna Hession **and for all whose anniversaries occur about this this time**

*NB. Please bring to the attention of Deacon Dirk or Father Denis anyone you know who is sick or housebound or in hospital or who has been discharged. Thank you, much appreciated.*

**Parish Donations**

Thank you for all of your continued generosity with your weekly donations to the church. Please consider making your regular gift by standing order. See Father.

**Singers of Solace** Funerals & weddings: organist, singers. Contact Jobe Sullivan on 07858 219629.

**Liturgical Music for all occasions and celebrations:** Contact Caroline McGrath 07387 158394

**Come and Pray the Rosary before Mass on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 8.30am**

**PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT** O Holy Spirit, beloved of my soul, I adore you, enlighten me, guide me, strengthen me, console me – tell me what I should do. I promise to submit myself to all that you permit to happen to me – let me only know your holy will.

**ANIMA CHRISTI** Soul of Christ, sanctify me. Body of Christ, save me. Blood of Christ, inebriate me. Water from the side of Christ, wash me; passion of Christ, strengthen me. O Good Jesus hear me. Within thy wounds hide me. Suffer me not to be separated from thee. From the malignant enemy defend me. In the hour of death, call me and bid me to come to thee, that with thy saints, I may praise thee forever and ever. Amen

**DIOCESAN PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS** Lord Jesus, send labourers into your harvest. Inspire in the hearts of your people, vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life. Bless our homes, our families, our parishes, our diocese, our countries with a spirit of generosity. May those whom you call to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life have the courage to give themselves to your Church as co-operators in your work.

St John Vianney – *Pray for Us*

**ARCHDIOCESE VISION PRAYER** Spirit of God, descend on me this day. Grant me the Spirit of joy, to lift me, the Spirit of hope to inspire me, the Spirit of love to surround me and the Spirit of truth to enlighten my path. Holy Spirit, I pray for a new outpouring of your grace, so that I may grow in worship of your name in love of you in my prayer and in my actions towards others. Come Holy Spirit into my life to guide me, strengthen and defend me, so that I may be drawn ever closer to you. Help me this day and always to be a channel of grace in all I say and do and invite others into relationship with you. Amen

**PRAYER TO SAINT JOHN HENRY NEWMAN** Almighty and eternal God, we offer heartfelt thanks and praise for the life and witness of Saint John Henry Newman. In him You have given us and inspiring example of a priest and teacher heroically devoted to the pursuit of holiness and the salvation of souls. Through his intercession and his teaching we ask You to pour out Your blessings on all Your children who seek Your truth, so that all may come to know and love You in the one fold of the Redeemer, our Lord Jesus Christ Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever. Amen

St John Henry Newman – *Pray for Us*

**DEMENTIA PRAYER** Lord Jesus, you are the Word made flesh. We rejoice that you dwell amongst us, that you have shared our joys and sorrows, our frailty and pain. We bring to you all those who struggle with the confusion of dementia. We pray that you might touch their inmost hearts with the peace of your presence. For ourselves we ask for the gift of your Holy Spirit, that we, who know and love them, may serve them with your compassion, your understanding and your peace. May that same Holy Spirit raise us up into the presence of your Father. This we ask through the same Christ our Lord. Amen

<p><b>Official Family Prayer for World Meeting of Families</b></p> <p>God, our Father, we are brothers and sisters in Jesus your Son, One family, in the Spirit of your love. Bless us with the joy of love.</p> <p>Make us patient and kind, gentle and generous, welcoming to those in need. Help us to live your forgiveness and peace. Protect all families with your loving care, especially those for whom we now pray: [We pause and remember family members and others by name]</p> <p>Increase our faith, strengthen our hope, keep us safe in your love. Make us always grateful for the gift of life that we share. This we ask, through Christ our Lord. Amen</p> <p>Mary, mother and guide, pray for us. Saint Joseph, father and protector, pray for us. Saints Joachim and Anne, pray for us. Saints Louis and Zélie Martin, pray us.</p>	<p><b>THE ANGELUS</b></p> <p><b>V.</b> The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary; <b>R. And she conceived of the Holy Spirit, Hail Mary....</b></p> <p><b>V.</b> Behold the handmaid of the Lord; <b>R. Be it done unto me according to thy word. Hail Mary....</b></p> <p><b>V.</b> And the Word was made Flesh; <b>R. And dwelt among us. Hail Mary....</b></p> <p><b>V.</b> Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God <b>R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.</b></p> <p>Let us pray. Pour forth, we beseech thee, O Lord, your grace into our hearts, that we to whom the Incarnation of Christ, your son, was made known by the message of an Angel, may by His Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of His Resurrection, through the same Christ our Lord. <b>R. Amen.</b></p> <p>May the divine assistance remain always with us, and may the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. <b>R. Amen</b></p>
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**PRAYER FOR CLIMATE CHANGE**

Loving God, we praise your name with all you have created. You are present in the whole universe, and in the smallest of creatures. We acknowledge the responsibilities you have placed upon us as stewards of your creation. May the Holy Spirit inspire all political leaders as they seek to embrace the changes needed to foster a more sustainable society. Instill in them the courage and gentleness to implement fairer solutions for the poorest and most vulnerable and commit their nations to the care of Our Common Home. We ask this through Our Lord Jesus Christ your Son. Amen

**PRAYER FOR PEACE**

Mary, Mother of God, Queen of the Universe. We ask you to intercede for the people of war-torn countries, for their governments, and all who suffer as a result of war. Be with them as you stood beside your Son, suffering on the Cross at Calvary. Give them strength and courage through faith, hope and justice. May we support them through prayer and generosity. That human lives may be saved. That the injured may be healed. That the dead may rest in peace. That there will be peace after war. Amen.

**Pope's Prayer Intention for October**

**For collaboration between different religious traditions**

Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions may work together to defend and promote peace, justice and human fraternity.

**Points to Ponder**

Today's gospel is about how we live today. Jesus is telling us that how we live today has consequences for tomorrow, not just for ourselves but for others too. Jesus is asking us, regardless of our income, to face the poverty in ourselves and the world. Lazarus doesn't just represent poverty in the world, he also represents the rich man's impoverishment. I suspect that's one reason why we set gates between the rich and poor. We don't want to look in the eyes of Lazarus and see ourselves. If we did, if we ever truly saw impoverishment in the world and in ourselves, it would ask something of us. Look at all the ways we set gates between ourselves and others; between rich and poor, the powerful and the powerless. What if we open the gates of compassion and concern for others, generosity and sharing, healing and wholeness, forgiveness and reconciliation, justice and peace, vulnerability and love? What would that take? And what would it mean for your life? Look at your life and world. What are the closed gates in your life today? What gates are separating you from yourself or another? What is impoverishing you today? It might be fear, anger, resentment, jealousy, indifference, guilt, grief, old wounds, loneliness, cynicism, prejudice, or a thousand other things. Our gates are being rattled. Every day our gates are being rattled. Lazarus is knocking, rattling your gate and my gate. Lazarus is knocking.

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**Diocesan Vision – Unfolding God's Plan**

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| 1. Evangelisation    | 2. Formation       |
| 3. Liturgy & Worship | 4. Social Outreach |