



Parish of the Sacred Heart and Saint Margaret Mary, Aston

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Welcome to the Sacred Heart & St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church. If you are visiting us for the first time we wish to welcome you and your family and hope that you enjoy your visit.

Mass Times & Intentions

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

**Sunday 4th August 10.15am –
Christopher Seery (Int)**

Tuesday 6th August 6.00pm – Reception of the
body of Cyril Lysaght

Wednesday 7th August 10.00am – Funeral Mass
for Cyril Lysaght (Father of June Farmer)

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

Sunday 11th August 10.15am – John Mulrany

28th July

Offertory Collection **£340.77**

Prayers for those who have died:

Terry Winal, Christina Jones, Anne-Marie Alcide,
Anthony Abalum, Robert Shine Jnr, Deacon Bill
Baines, Cyril Lysaght, Shirley Atkinson, Geri
McGlinchy, Jane Goodyear.

Prayers for members of our parish community who are sick or housebound:

Andy Walsh, Bernadette Harnett, Clem Murray,
Julie Bartram, Mary Cartridge, Margaret Armstrong,
John Pender, David Harnett, Edward Jones, Robert
Shine Snr., Margaret Delaney, Desmond Bernard,
Amanda Checkley, Raymond Maddix, David
Maddix, Richard Watchorn

Tea and Talk will be meeting this
Tuesday 6th August 12.00noon – 2.00pm
in the presbytery. If you would like to
come along, just turn up.

Thursday 15th August: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary: Holy Day
of Obligation Mass at 7.15pm. Celebrant: Fr Leonard Cox.

Can you help make a difference?

We would like to invite you to join our Sacred Heart Church Committee. The Committee is a group of parishioners who assist the Parish Priest in the tasks of discerning the vision and goals for our parish, helping to continue to move our parish forward. These parishioners are not meant to be the people who do everything, but are rather meant to serve as a representative voice of our larger parish family, working with our Parish Priest. If you are interested in helping to take our Church from strength to strength, please speak to Teresa or Marie.

August Mass Intentions

Sunday 18th August – Tony Seery; Sunday 25th August – Peter McKernan

Please note that on the Sundays of August in this Year B, as St Mark's Gospel is the shortest, we listen week by week to St John's Gospel, Chapter 6, on Jesus the Bread of Life.

Message from Bishop Timothy

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

From the time of my appointment as Bishop, through to the day of my Ordination, a word that has described my feelings about it all is: overwhelming. It has been very humbling to experience so much encouragement and prayerful support I know that this has been a proud time for our school and parish community too.

Last Sunday's Mass and Social Gathering, together with the Blessing of the Garden Area and commemorative bench remembering Julie Gallagher must surely be in that category of 'overwhelming'. There was such uplifting joy at the Mass and in the sharing of food and fellowship together in the sunshine after the Mass. Such days live on in the memory and I am so grateful for your thoughtfulness and gifts and words of appreciation. Maybe I can leave the last word to one our altar servers who said to me: keep telling your jokes, Fr Tim, and don't be a boring bishop!

I'll try my best!

Best wishes and prayers,

+ Timothy, Auxiliary Bishop of Birmingham!

New Parish Priest for Sacred Heart and St Chad's Cathedral. Archbishop Bernard has appointed Canon Brian McGinley as Parish Priest of both parishes. Canon Brian looks forward to his arrival with us at the end of August.

Church Toilets

There has been a substantial amount of work carried out to install a 2nd toilet and washbasin for parishioners to use. This is situated in the Sacristy, the first door next to the stairs.

The Disabled toilet is out of action at the moment as all the old equipment has been removed, the floor has now been re-laid and new fixtures and fittings will be installed – including baby-changing facilities.

Adoremus – National Weekend with a focus on Eucharistic Adoration – 14 / 15 September. Parishes across the country are asked to give some time to fostering devotion to the Blessed Sacrament and to the Eucharist which we receive in the Mass.

Diocesan Pilgrimage

Harvington Hall, Near Kidderminster, DY10 4LR. Open Air Mass in honour of the English Martyrs – Sunday 1st September at 3pm. Principal Celebrant: Abbot Paul Gunter of Douai. www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/Event/annual-pilgrimage-to-harvington-hall-2024

Who to contact

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Teresa O'Gorman. She can be contacted at:

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