



**Welcome to Mass  
St Margaret Mary,  
Birmingham**

**32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Remembrance Sunday**



**8<sup>th</sup> November, 2020**

Priest: ✠ In the name of the  
Father and of the Son and of the  
Holy Spirit.

All: **Amen**

Priest: The Lord be with you

All: **And with your Spirit.**

Confiteor: I confess to almighty God  
and to you, my brothers and sisters,  
that I have greatly sinned,  
in my thoughts and in my words,  
in what I have done and in what I  
have failed to do, through my fault,  
through my fault, through my most  
grievous fault; therefore I ask  
blessed Mary ever-Virgin,  
all the Angels and Saints,  
and you, my brothers and sisters,

to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Priest: May Almighty God have  
mercy upon us, forgive us our sins  
and bring us to everlasting life.

**Amen.**

*Gloria in excelsis [not said if a Requiem  
mass[!]] is being said for the fallen]*

*Glory to God in the highest, and on earth  
peace to people of good will. We praise you,  
we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord  
God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only begotten Son, Lord God,  
Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take  
away the sins of the world, have mercy on us,  
you take away the sins of the world, receive  
our prayer, you are seated at the right hand of  
the Father, have mercy on us.*

*For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are  
the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus  
Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God  
the Father. Amen.*

**First reading:** Wisdom 6.12-16  
*Watch for wisdom and you will have  
no trouble*

**Psalm response:** *For you my  
soul is thirsting, O God, my God*

**Second reading:** 1  
Thessalonians 4.13-18 *We believe  
that Jesus died and rose again.*

*Gospel acclamation: Alleluia,  
alleluia, stand awake and stand  
ready, for you do not know the hour  
when the Son of Man is coming.*

**Gospel:** Matthew 25.1-13 *Half of  
the bridesmaids missed the arrival  
of the bridegroom.*

## Homily

**Apostles Creed** I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only son, Our Lord, *who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary*, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Amen.

## Offertory

Pray Brethren that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the almighty Father.

All: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

**Sanctus:** Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

**The Mystery of faith:** We proclaim your death, O Lord, and profess your resurrection, until you come again.

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper of the Lamb.  
**All: Lord I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

**Notices** \*Figures from 1/11/20  
Attendance: 152 Gift Aid: £81,  
Loose: £167.23, 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection  
Clergy Training Fund: £76.24

\* Lockdown 2.0 the Government proposal contained below will be voted on Wednesday and take effect on Thursday:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/new-national-restrictions-from-5-november#weddings-civil-partnerships-religious-services-and-funerals>

\*Mr Aldred wrote to Governors and parents before half term to inform them that he will be retiring at the end of this academic year (July 2021). Mr Aldred has worked at St Margaret Mary School for 23 years, most significantly, for fourteen

years as Head teacher, and, before that as Deputy Head.

\* If you also would like a prayer sheet and holy water for the graveside prayers during this All Souls prayers for the departed, please speak to Fr Simon. Due to the Covid-19 restrictions there will be no gatherings for blessing of graves at the churchyards and cemeteries.

\* St Chad's Sanctuary Donations: The Sanctuary can't accept any donations of bedding at the present time. What they do need are this time are: 1) Umbrellas 2) Men's trainers and 3) Girls' clothes (aged 4-5).

\* Piety sale at the back of church, includes rosaries, 2021 calendars and Advent calendars: please let us know if there is anything you need and we will endeavour to get it to you by Royal Mail or other methods!

\* Gift Aid – Because of Covid-19, Cathedral House has been closed, so Gift Aiders will not have received their usual donor letters. If you give by Gift Aid and you would like your gift aid figures for your tax returns, please speak to Terry Brown (Treasurer) on 07969 978007 or email Tezza\_b@hotmail.co.uk

\* John Taylor Hospice Light Up a Life virtual event:

<https://www.johntaylorhospice.org.uk/events/light-up-a-life/>

\* www.portal.mag.uk is now out for November.

\* Pope Francis' prayer for November: *We pray that the progress of robotics and artificial intelligence may always serve humankind.*

\* If you are wanting help with setting up a computer at home to help keep in touch with family and friends please speak to Fr Simon who has access to community ipads

\* Giving by standing order is through our Bank, NatWest, Sort Code 60-08-02, Account Number 14403749. Account: *Archdiocese of Bham St Margaret Mary.*

**\*Prayers for the departed:**

George Floyd, Trisha Marshall, Daniel Keogh, Jimmy Judd, Mgr Georg Ratzinger, Frank Cracknell, Ken Moreton, Mary (Myra) Brennan, Veronica Orme, Francis (Frank) Murphy, Maureen Beashel, Michael James Francis McGreene, Margaret Lemathy, Kathleen Donnelly, Claire Duffy, Jacob Billington, Frances Raczka, Doreen Nevitt, George O'Sullivan, Hilda O'Sullivan, Claire Duffy, Martin Hegney, George Compagno, Gladys Wakefield, Francis (Frank) Cleland, Sonia Pike, Sandra Ware, Joan Gilbert, Carmel Mahon, Colin

Niblett, Gina Tovey, Baby Shai  
Williams, Arthur Wills, Rev Andrew  
Wilson, Jaisamma Abraham, James  
Dargan RIP

**\*Please note that church during  
'Lockdown 2.0' will be open at  
these times for individual  
prayer, which will include  
Adoration of the Blessed  
Sacrament, Rosary and  
Confessions:**

**Sunday 9am- 11.30am**

**Monday 6pm-7pm**

**Tuesday 8.45am-9.45am**

**Wednesday 8.45am -9.45am**

**Friday 8.45am – 9.45am**

**Saturday 6pm – 7pm**

**\*Please observe social  
distancing**

**\*Please observe one way system**

**\*Please use hand gel**

**\* You must wear a face covering**

**\*The toilets are closed**

**THIS WEEK Saturday, 7<sup>th</sup>**

**Mass (Pro populo).**

Sun 8th November **32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in  
Ordinary Time. Remembrance  
Sunday. Mass. (Joe Dodds RIP)**

Monday, 9<sup>th</sup> The dedication of the  
Lateran Basilica. Mass (Holy Souls)

Tuesday, 10<sup>th</sup> St Leo the Great.  
Mass (Sandra Ware RIP).

Wednesday, 11<sup>th</sup> St Charles Martin  
of Tours. Mass (Elsie Chafulumira  
Sazuze RIP).

Thursday, 12<sup>th</sup> November. St  
Josaphat. (Holy Souls).

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> Mass (St Margaret Mary  
School).

Saturday, 14<sup>th</sup> Mass (The  
Government)

Sun 15th November **33<sup>rd</sup> Sunday  
in Ordinary Time. Mass (for the  
poor in our society).**

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and with

Our Lady of the Assumption, Maryvale  
and Christ the King, Kingstanding.



## CATHOLIC BISHOPS' CONFERENCE OF ENGLAND AND WALES

### Statement from the President and the Vice-President of the Conference on the National Lockdown

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2020

Today, Parliament passed into law the Regulations governing many aspects of activity in the whole of England until 2<sup>nd</sup> December. These Regulations prohibit the gathering of people for communal worship in churches and other religious buildings.

Churches remain open and in use for activities other than communal worship, including personal prayer and support for those in need. Funeral Masses and funeral services may be held. Please refer to the Regulations (for places of worship see paragraph 18) and associated Guidance.

Despite profound misgivings it is important that we, as responsible citizens, observe these Regulations, which have the force of law: *'Remind them to be obedient to the officials in authority; to be ready to do good at every opportunity'* (Titus 3:1). We do this in solidarity with so many others on whom are being imposed restrictions which impact severely on their lives and livelihoods.

It is also important to recognise that these Regulations are not an attack on religious belief. However, they do demonstrate a fundamental lack of understanding of the essential contribution made by faith communities to the well-being, resilience and health of our society.

At this difficult moment, we ask that, as a Catholic community, we make full use of our churches as places of individual prayer and sources of solace and help. We must sustain each other in our patterns of prayer, joining a national shared moment of prayer each day at 6pm, and observing the Vigil of Christ the King (21<sup>st</sup> November) as a day of prayer for the ending of this pandemic. And we encourage you all in your practical service and support of each other and those around you in need.

This pathway of prayer and service is the royal road we are to take as a gracious witness in our society today.

Cardinal Vincent Nichols  
President

Archbishop Malcolm McMahon OP  
Vice-President