



**St Margaret Mary,
Birmingham
The 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time
29th January 2023**

*Readings are on p.130 of the yellow books
available from the back of church.*

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.

Kyrie Eleison

Gloria in excelsis

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.

Collect

**First reading: Zephaniah 2.3, 3.12-
13.** *In your midst I will leave a humble and
lowly people.*

Psalm Response: *How happy are the
poor in spirit: theirs is the kingdom of
heaven.*

**Second reading: 1 Corinthians
1.26-31.** *God choose what is foolish by
human reckoning, to shame the wise.*

Gospel Acclamation: (Please

stand): *Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children.*

The Gospel: Matthew 5.1-12a. *Jesus teaches the Beatitudes: which include, 'how happy are the poor in Spirit'.*

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 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.

Bidding Prayers

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.**

Dismissal: Go in peace.

Thanks be to God.

Notices * Figures for 22/1/2023, Gift Aid: £60; Loose: £126.35; Ukrainian family appeal: £20 (*Any donations towards essential items for our Ukrainian family in residence, as they move to a permanent home, are gratefully received*); Attendance: 211.

**Fearless 2023* The Kenelm Youth Trust are holding our next popular FEARLESS open retreat on the 10-12th February 2023. It is a heavily subsidised retreat for youth groups from year 7 - year 9 to come and enjoy a weekend filled with faith & adventure with each other. We have also opened it up to older years in the form of a leadership stream for year

10 - year 13, so it is a great opportunity to come together for an incredible weekend! Please let Fr Simon know if interested.

<https://www.kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk/fearless.html>

*Please bring your old palm crosses in for us to make in to Ash Wednesday ash.

* Prayer cards for Pope Emeritus Benedict xvi are near St Joseph altar.

*SPUC White Flower Appeal Petition Cards at the back of church: please take and give back to Fr Simon who have them sent to The PM via SPUC.

*Pope Francis Apostleship of Prayer for February: For parishes
We pray that parishes, placing communion at the centre, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need.

* Next Padre Pio Prayer Group meeting is Monday, 6th February. 6.30pm Adoration, followed by 7pm Mass.

* The Portal magazine portalmag.co.uk is out on 1 February: <https://soundcloud.com/user-666404058> for the weekly podcast, which includes an interview with the Ukrainian Bishop Kenneth Nowakowski, based in London.

* **Sycamore course for 2023:**

1 Feb SACRAMENTS
8 Feb HOLY EUCHARIST
15 Feb SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

HALF TERM

1 Mar THE HOLY BIBLE
8 Mar POWER OF PRAYER
15 Mar TRUE FREEDOM
22 Mar WHAT IS LOVE?

* **Our foodbank:** Carmel Dowdall is on 07943 577638.

*UKRAINIAN APPEAL

For help to families in Ukraine facing a harsh winter, please think of donating to the Winter Appeal: The cost of one food parcel, providing enough food for two people for a week will cost approximately ~~£~~16. Each package will contain the basics (grains, flour, pasta, meat and fish preserves, oil, canned vegetables, sugar, tea, coffee, biscuits etc.). Help Ukraine Emergency Appeal, C/O Ukrainian Catholic Church Central Fund, A/C No 20927317, Sort Code: 20-92-60.

*Vocations Weekend for Women.
Theme: *Discerning God's Call in your life.*
Dates: 3-5 Feb 2023. Location: London.
The weekend is organised by the Sisters, Faithful Companions of Jesus (FCJ).
Jesus invites each of us to 'Come and See' - this weekend will give the opportunity to explore the vocation to religious life and to reflect on God's call to you. If you are wondering if God is calling you to religious life and would like to find out more why not come along? You are welcome to stay for the weekend or just come along on Saturday for the day. There will be opportunity for prayer, reflection and input, chance to ask questions and to meet others who are also wondering where God

is calling them. For more information contact Sr Lynne fcJ at fcjvocationeurope@gmail.com or visit website www.fcjsisters.org

*Sponsorship for our Treasurer, Terry Brown's pilgrimage walk from Tui to Santiago de Compostela, a distance of 75 miles. Can put aside 10p a week 27th November to the 21st May which is £2.50 in total. If every person could do that we would raise £500.

***Prayers for the departed:**

Antonina Usowicz, Margaret Mary Rose, Stephen McInerney, Mary Neal, Collette Blekinsopp, Nancy Ivers, Noel Bullock, Emily Judge, Margaret Bennett, Patrick Finnerty, Chris Lane, Kevin Ritchie, Francis Donnelly, Mark Fahy, John Connor, Fr Mike Cain, Carlos Beckford, Claudette Phillips, William Charles Edwin Chew, Mick Lawrence, Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, Sr Deidre Michael SBVM, Fr Michael Beattie SJ, Cyril (Ray) Bricknall, Cardinal George Pell, David Bevington, Rita (Margaret) McNamara RIP.

THIS WEEK Saturday, 28th
6.30pm Vigil Mass (Alekutty Joseph RIP).

Sunday, 29th The 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time. 9.30am Mass (Cyril – Ray – Bricknall RIP). 11am (Finlay Butler, Samuel Butler, Thomas Stewart & Jack Johnson RIP & their families).

Monday, 30th 9.30am Mass at *The Convent of the Sisters of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 99 Old Oscott Hill, Kingstanding.*
6.30pm Adoration & Benediction.
7pm Mass (Sister Deidre Michael SBVM).

Tuesday, 31th St John Bosco. 8.55am Rosary. 9.15am Mass (Fr Michael Beattie RIP).

Wednesday, 1st Feb. St Brigid.
8.35am Adoration and Benediction.
9.15am Mass. 6pm Sycamore Course meets in the Newman Gallery.

Thursday, 2nd Feb **THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD IN THE TEMPLE.**
8.45am Mass (Isabel Vaughan-Spruce)

Friday, 3rd 9.15am Mass. 7pm *First Friday Mass at Sacred Heart, Maryvale.*

Saturday, 4th 10am-5pm *March for Life day at Oscott College.* 6.30pm Vigil Mass.

Sunday, 5th The 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time. 9.30am Mass (The Okeke family). 11am (Matthew Topham - diaconal ordination). 2nd *Collection for Racial Justice.*

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