



**St Margaret Mary,
Birmingham
LENT IV
Mothering Sunday
Laetare Sunday
19th March 2023
Welcome**

*If you need detailed readings they are on
p.165 of the yellow books available from the
back of church.*

Lenten symbol of the cross:
*Thirty pieces of silver, the sign of betrayal
(Matthew 26.15)*

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.

Kyries

Collect

First reading: **1 Samuel 16.1, 6-7,
10-13.** *David is anointed by Samuel.*

Psalm Response: *The Lord is my
shepherd: there is nothing I shall want.*

Second reading: **Ephesians 5.8-
14.** *Be like children of light.*

**Gospel Acclamation: (Please
stand):** *Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ,
Word of the Father, Son of God. I am the
light of the world, says the Lord; whoever
follows me will have the light of life.*

The Gospel: **John 9.1, 6-9, 13-17,
34-38.** *The healing by Jesus of the man
born blind.*

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

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: Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection, you have set us free.

Lamb of God

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

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.**

Communion

Blessing and Dismissal: Go in peace. **Thanks be to God.**

Notices * Figures for 12/3/2023, Gift Aid: £73; Loose: £231.81 ; 2nd Collection, Cafod: £100.20; Attendance: 274

‘AMAZING GRACE’: Monday evenings in LENT 2023

6pm Evening Prayer, followed by refreshments, then 6.45pm Talk and discussion.

20 March **Cooperative grace** and the life of the Saints - Fr Michael Dolman, Rector of Oscott College.

27 March The **sanctifying grace** of baptism – Mother Winsome Durrant OSB, Sisters of the Blessed Virgin Mary, (Ordinariate) Kingstanding.

* **Our foodbank:** Thomas Joseph, training to be a deacon, leads an appeal this weekend for foodbank items, including baked beans, pasta,

pasta sauces, tinned veg, tinned fruit and treats for Easter! Our foodbank coordinator is Carmel Dowdall is on 07943 577638

* Holy Week sign up sheet is on the table at the back, please sign up for foot washing and for the Vigil on Maundy Thursday/Good Friday.

* Please speak to Terry Brown (07969 978007) about your giving at this crucial time of our church's future development and high energy cost times. He thanks you for your continued support.

* A fridge and freezer and washing machine - good quality - available. Please contact Andrew Usowitz on 07423 631896

*If you have been collecting for Mary's Meals through the blue boxes, please would you bring them in by the end of Lent.

* **Servers rehearsal** before Holy Week: Saturday, 1st April at 10.30am – 12 Noon, followed by refreshments.

* **Eternal Word Television Network** (EWTN) homilies during Lent from Ordinariate priests, including Fr Simon (Lent 5). To watch visit <https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PL0VIBzUq4jC50CfMZakXzErK27QxofI18>

* Archdiocese Pilgrimage to Lourdes is 27 May – 2 June, for details and

booking, go to <https://www.tangney-tours.com/pilgrimages/lourdes/birmingham-lde>

* The Portal magazine portalmag.co.uk is out on 1 March: <https://soundcloud.com/user-666404058> for the weekly podcast.

*'Spring into Summer' Community event on Witton Lodge 12 -3pm on Saturday, 22nd April. St Margaret Mary Church will be running a chocolate lucky dip stall. Please let Fr Simon know if you are interested in helping. Proceeds to J T Hospice.

***Restoration of the chalice:** The Bishops' Conference of England and Wales is suggesting that those who wish to can resume the administration of the chalice on Maundy Thursday. Some may ask, do we have to receive Holy Communion from the Chalice? The Church teaches that the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Christ is present in both the Sacred Host and Precious Blood, and so there is no obligation to receive Holy Communion from the Chalice. However, the Eucharist is a sign of our unity in our diversity as the body of Christ, and so the Church teaches that Holy Communion 'has a fuller sign when it takes place under both kinds, for in this form the sign of the Eucharistic banquet is more clearly evident and clearer expression is given to the divine will by which the new and eternal Covenant is ratified in the Blood of the Lord'. However, 'Christ, whole and entire, and the true Sacrament, is received even under only one species, and hence that as regards the resulting fruits, those who receive under only one species are not deprived of any grace that is necessary for salvation'.

* **Sycamore course for 2023** (6pm-7pm in the Newman Gallery

22 Mar WHAT IS LOVE?

***Prayers for the departed:**

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, Joan Dyke, Shirley Williams, John Montague, Peter Iriabe, Mick Lawrence, Mary Margaret (Molly) Wilson, Christiana K. Chukwurah, Mary Russell, Richard Edwards, Rachel Upham, Jane Young, Fr Richard Smith, David Coffey RIP.

THIS WEEK Satjuuu, 18th
5.45pm-6.15pm Confessions. 6.30pm Vigil Mass (Ankwetta Maria N. Agendia).

Sunday, 19th **LENT IV Mothering Sunday. Laetare Sunday.** 9.30am Mass (Martha Ugwu RIP). 11am Mass (Cecilia Smally RIP & Swetha Phinil RIP). *There will also be a foodbank appeal given by Thomas Joseph from our parish, in training for the diaconate.*

Monday, 20th **ST JOSEPH**
(Transferred feast day) 9.30am Mass at *The Convent of the Sisters of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 99 Old Oscott Hill, Kingstanding.* **6pm Evening prayer, followed by 6.45pm Lent talk IV: Cooperative grace and the life of the Saints - Fr Michael Dolman, Rector of Oscott College.**

Tuesday, 21st 8.55am Rosary.
9.15am Mass (John Montague RIP).

Wednesday, 22nd 8.35am Adoration.
9.15am Mass (Phil and Eileen Powell).
6pm Sycamore course.

Friday, 24th 9.15am Mass (Rachel Upham RIP). 6.30pm Stations of the Cross.

Saturday, 25th **THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD.** 10am Mass (Rosaleen Ikwuka RIP). 5.45pm-6.15pm Confessions. 6.30pm Vigil Mass

Sunday, 26th PLEASE NOTE
CLOCKS GO FORWARD 1
HOUR! **LENT V Passion Sunday**
9.30am Mass (Barnabas Nchengha Agendia). 11am Mass (40 days Prayer Campaign).

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