



**St Margaret Mary
Birmingham
LENT III**

**The Year of Prayer
3rd March, 2024**

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

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.**

Kyries Lord, have mercy. Lord,
have mercy.
Christ, have mercy. Christ, have
mercy.
Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

First reading: Exodus 20.1-17

The law given at Sinai.

Psalm Response: *You, Lord, have
the message of eternal life.*

**Second reading: 1 Corinthians
1.22-25.** *Christ crucified is the power of
God.*

**Gospel Acclamation: (Please
stand):** *Praise to you Lord Jesus
Christ, word of the Father, Son of God. I
am the resurrection and the life, says the
Lord; whoever believes in me will never die.
Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ, word of the
Father, Son of God.*

The Gospel:

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

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: When we eat
this Bread and drink this Cup, we
proclaim your Death, O Lord, until
you come again

Agnus Dei

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, 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.**

Notices

* Figures for 25/2/24, Envelopes:
£142, Loose: £235.51, Cafod2nd
Collection: £266.38 (including Gift
Aid). Attendance: 260

*‘Jesus Christ Superstar’ is being
performed on Monday, 22 April at
7.30pm at the Hippodrome. We have
a parish group going and there are
two tickets left, at £25, child or
adult.

* Many thanks for all your purchases
of olive carvings from the Holy Land
last weekend, you raised £1400, which
was an amazing response and very
much, in this time of war and
disorder, a great help to many lives.

**Right to life Campaign:* Support an
amendment to reduce our abortion
law from 24 weeks to 22 weeks.
Babies born prematurely at 22 weeks
are thriving and there is a
contradiction in the abortion law in
the UK. Please collect a postcard
today from the back of church and
post it to your MP in support of this
amendment. For those in Erdington
our MP is: *Mrs Paulette Hamilton, MP,
House of Commons, London
SW1A 0AA.*

* The Portal magazine
portalmag.co.uk is out for February.
Minicast is available:

<https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fi/hddlabhb4dwz35moz89qx/PortalMag-Podcast-Epiphany-2024.mp3?rlkey=kvcwm8y465ajhpr72ko7kkd2s&dl=0>(<https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fi/hddlabhb4dwz35moz89qx/PortalMag-Podcast-Epiphany-2024.mp3?rlkey=kvcwm8y465ajhpr72ko7kkd2s&dl=0>)

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* Pope Francis, Apostleship of Prayer for March: *For the new martyrs. We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.*

***Sycamore Course 2024**

Meetings take place in the Newman Gallery in Church (upstairs) on Wednesdays at 6pm - 7pm

6/3, Vocations
20/3, The Mass

***Prayers for the departed:**

June Driscoll, Hugh Callaghan, George Mealy, Nikoll Paluca, Cecilia Smalley, Alan Edward McKell, Fr John Lungley, Thomas Baxter, Ian O'Hara, Jonathan Bodenham, Michael Mitchell, Nora Duffy, Fr Peter Peterken, Eva Price, Ronnie Wood, James Skejugo, James Cullen, Joan Cannon, Frederick Farrell, Bishop Colin Buchanan, Allan Kettleborough, Francis McGreene, Margaret Waller, Robert Roberts, Marie Chatten, Bernadette Maughan, Eileen Gurney, Barbara Pearce, Watson Chidzomba, Philomena Ann Meere, Betty Rudd, Tadeusz Samsik, Barbara Ann Pearce, Felix Bankom, Rita Corthorne, Janina Surowiec, Maria Agius RIP

THIS WEEK

Saturday, 2nd 5.45pm-6.20pm Confessions. 6.30pm Vigil Mass for Lent III. (Terry Kelly RIP).

Sunday 3rd **LENT III.** 9.30am Mass (Terrence Kelly RIP). 11am Mass (Paul Duncan RIP) 3.30pm Lent Talk on the 'Our Father' I at Oscott College, St Thomas Chapel. We leave here at **3pm**. Followed by tea and 5pm Holy Hour. 2nd *Collection for Cathedral Maintenance.*

Monday, 4th 9.30am Mass at the Convent of the Sisters of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 99 Old Oscott Hill, B44 9SR. 6.30pm Adoration and Benediction.

7pm Mass & Padre Pio Prayer Group.
(Dorothy and Bernard Corfield RIP).

Tuesday, 5th 8.55 am Rosary.
9.15am Mass (Phil and Eileen Powell).

Wed, 6th 8.35am Adoration and
Benediction. 9.15am Mass (Deceased
members of the Kelly family RIP).
6pm Sycamore course.

Friday, 8th March 9.15am Mass
(Jackie Fahy). 6.30pm Stations of
the Cross. *Servers retreat at Alton Castle
8-10th March, 'Called to serve'.*

Saturday, 9th 5.45pm-6.20pm
Confessions. 6.30pm Vigil Mass for
Lent IV. (Bridget Foley & deceased
members of the Foly family).

Sunday 10th **LENT IV. Mothering
Sunday.** 9.30am Mass (Terrence
Kelly RIP). 11am Mass (Paul Duncan
RIP) 3.30pm Lent Talk on the '*Our
Father*', II, at Oscott College, St
Thomas Chapel. We leave here at
3pm. Followed by tea and 5pm Holy
Hour.

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Working in collaboration with the
Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham &
Our Lady of the Assumption, Maryvale and
Christ the King, Kingstanding.

Safeguarding

The Parish operates in accordance with
Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and
National and Archdiocesan policies and
procedures at all times. Our Parish
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