



**Welcome to
St Margaret Mary Church
Birmingham
LENT III
23rd March, 2025
Jubilee Year**

'St Margaret Mary Church, a community where God's heart speaks to our hearts, to transform us to worship, to serve the needy and to make missionary disciples of all nations'

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

Lord have mercy

Christ have mercy

Lord have mercy

First reading: Exodus 3.1-8s, 13-15. *Moses is on holy ground as he encounters God, the "I Am".*

Psalm Response: *The Lord is compassionate and gracious.*

Second reading: 1 Corinthians 10.1-6, 10-12. *The people of God drank from Christ, the Rock, in the wilderness.*

Gospel Acclamation: (Please stand): *Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ, Word of the Father, Son of God. Repent, says the Lord, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.*

The Gospel: Luke 13.1-9. *The parable of the fig tree.*

Homily

Nicene Creed (1700th Anniversary this year)

I believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things, visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, [PLEASE KNEEL IF ABLE:] *and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man.* For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Bidding Prayers – see screen

Offertory - hymn see screen

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.

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.**

This week to view Sat 22nd March
5.45pm Confessions. 6.30pm Mass
(Mgr David Cousins, 90th birthday).

Sun 23rd March **LENT III.** 9.30am
Mass (Maureen Dargan RIP). 11am
Mass (Philip Charman RIP). *2nd*
Collection, Shrine of Our Lady of
Walsingham.

Monday, 24th 7.30am Mass (Jo
Brough RIP). 7pm Newman
Gallery (refreshments from 6.45pm)
LENT TALKS: NICENE CREED
1700 ANNIVERSARY – (Eve of

**the Annunciation) ET
INCARNATUS EST** (The Blessed Virgin Mary, & Christ's humanity) Deacon Dominic Fahey, Newman Cluster

Tuesday, 25th **THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD.** 8.55am Rosary. 9.15am Mass (Roy Durrant RIP). 7pm Youth Club (biscuit making).

Wednesday, 26th 8.35am Adoration. 9.15am Mass (Barnabas Agendia RIP). 5.30pm Sycamore meeting. 7pm Formation for Ministry of the Word in Church with Deacon Gary O'Brien.

Friday, 28th 9.15am Mass (Carmel Finnegan). 10-12 Noon 24 hours for the Lord adoration. 5.30pm-6.30pm 24 hours for the Lord adoration. 6.30pm Stations of the Cross.

Sat 29th March 5.45pm Confessions. 6.30pm Mass (John Devlin RIP). Presentation to Jan and John Coffey.

Sun 30th March **LENT IV. Mothering Sunday. Clocks go forward.** 9.30am Mass (Maureen Dargan RIP). 11am Mass (Kathy Dowling RIP and Fitzpatrick family).

Notices *Figures for **16/3/25** Gift Aid: £87, Loose: £273.95 Building Fund: £10; Collection for Jo Brough's family: £1163.37, Cafod 2nd Collection £214.21 . Attendance:

200

**Building Fund envelopes are available to all those who wish to support St Margaret Mary Church ongoing maintenance.*

*A 28 day notice has been posted in the porch regarding plans for our new extension. You have a right to comment or object by writing to dcn.paul.oconnor@rcaob.org.uk or to: *The Executive Secretary, Art and Architecture Committee, St George's Presbytery, 2 Sansome Place, Worcester, WR1 1UG.*

For details of the application visit <https://www.catholic-historic-churches.org.uk/applications/birmingham-30-2025-1>

*As part of '24 hours for the Lord' a Lent prayer initiative for reconciliation throughout the world taking place on Friday, 28 March, the following prayer times in front of the exposed blessed sacrament will be offered in our Newman Cluster: 10am-12 Noon St Margaret Mary and Christ the King. 5.30pm-6.30pm St Margaret Mary. 6-6.45pm Christ the King.

*Cleaning morning at church for Passiontide, Holy Week and Easter: Saturday, 5th April at 10am-11.30am. All welcome. Refreshments served at the conclusion.

*Christian Bernal is running the Great Birmingham Run on 4th May to raise funds for St Margaret Mary SVP. Please sponsor him if you can. Thank you. The next SVP meeting will be on Friday 4th April at 5pm. All welcome.

*Portal Magazine is out on 1st March, visit portalmag.co.uk There is also the portal podcast on:

<https://soundcloud.com/ordinariateportalpodcast>

* Confirmation Mass with Bishop David Waller will be on 26th November at 7pm.

*Aid to the Church in Need report on persecution of Christians in Nigeria: <https://acnuk.org/news/nigeria-dozens-of-christians-killed-last-month/>

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER 2025 at ST MARGARET MARY PARISH

Saturday, 12th April 6.30pm Vigil Mass with blessing of palms

PALM SUNDAY, 13th April, 9.30am Mass & 11am Mass with blessing of palms.

Maundy Thursday, 17th April, 7.30pm MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER, FOOT WASHING AND PROCESSION TO THE ALTAR OF REPOSE, WATCH OVERNIGHT.

Good Friday, 18th April 2pm Stations of the Cross; 3pm DIVINE LITURGY.

Holy Saturday, 19th April 11am 'Świecenie potraw Wielkanocnych' - the Polish Tradition of the blessing of baskets. All welcome.

19th April 8.30pm EASTER VIGIL, BLESSING OF THE EASTER FIRE, THE PASCHAL CANDLE, THE FONT AND RENEWAL OF BAPTISM AND FIRST COMMUNION OF EASTER.

EASTER DAY, 20th April 9.30am and 11am MASS

* Veronica Starkie is an Ordinariate member needing sponsors to work for a year as a missionary in Canada. If you can help please go to:

<https://www.netcanada.ca/missionaries/veronica-starkie/>

* **Jubilee Year Pilgrimage** to St John Henry Newman's Littlemore College and Chapel is on Saturday, 10th May. Details to follow.

***Sycamore Course Autumn 2025**

Meetings take place in the Newman Gallery in Church (upstairs) on Wednesdays at 5.30pm – 6.30pm.

26/3, Vocations

2/4 The Mass

9/4 The Light of Christ

***Prayers for the departed:**

Ann Mitchell, Angela Hillman, Rachel Kay Banks, Imre Balazs, Edith Gifford, Sinead Sullivan, Jan Miguel, Brian Crawford, Jo Brough, Freda Simpson, Raymond Griffiths, Patricia Charles, Mary Veronica Rodgers, George Aideyan, Stephen Ferns, Philip Goodfellow, Peter Doyle, Noreen Kenny, Maureen Dargan, Bernadette Glasgow, Salina Agnes Lo, William Morrison, Mary Watters, Philip Charman, Fr Francis Dickinson, Roy Durrant, William Shanahan, Kathleen Davies, Mary Josephine Jones RIP

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

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Safeguarding: The Parish operates in
accordance with Statutory Safeguarding
Guidance and National and Archdiocesan
policies and procedures at all times. Our
Parish Safeguarding Reps Nicola Brown &
Virginia Okeke.

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Team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 or
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