

Flame of love of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Movement are holding their annual conference on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th of August at Ampleforth Abbey. Please see poster at back of Church for more details.

March for Life: Sat 7th Sept 24. Come to London to meet and walk alongside thousands of others - old and young - who joyfully profess the preciousness of all life. The issues around this political hot potato are complex but we are called to be courageous and to be witnesses to the truth. God gives us life and it is only He who can take it away. The mother's womb is one of the most dangerous places to be in our modern world and we have to fight to change that. The coach will be picking up from Our Lady and All Saints Church in Stourbridge this year at 6.45am and we are hoping that more local people will feel able to join us. Seats £25.00 pp contact Alice on 07845 706362. Check out the website for pics and videos of previous years. <https://www.marchforlife.co.uk/the-annual-march/>

Feast of St Mary Magdalene
Monday 22nd July

St. Mary Magdalene is one of the greatest saints of the Bible and a legendary example of God's mercy and grace. The precise dates of her birth and death are unknown, but we do know she was present with Christ during his public ministry, death and resurrection. She is mentioned at least a dozen times in the Gospels. Mary likely watched the crucifixion from a distance along with the other women who followed Christ during His ministry. Mary was present when Christ rose from the dead, visiting his tomb to anoint his body only to find the stone rolled away and Christ, very much alive, sitting at the place they laid Him. She was the first witness to His resurrection. She is the patroness of converts, repentant sinners, sexual temptation, pharmacists, tanners and women, and many other places and causes. She was called a "Witness of Divine Mercy" by St Gregory and an "apostle of the apostles" by St Thomas Aquinas.

Pope's prayer intention for July For the pastoral care of the sick. We pray that the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick confer on those who receive it and their loved ones the power of the Lord and become ever more a visible sign of compassion and hope for all. Amen.

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**Catholic Parishes of St Mary's and
Our Lady of Lourdes**

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SAFEGUARDING - The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies and procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Mrs Epi Pfunde and Miss Lilli Pace. They can be contacted at sg.lol.kingswinford@racob.org.uk or sg.stmary.brierleyhill@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 / safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.

16TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR B

21ST JULY 2024

PSALM RESPONSE

The Lord is my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice, says the Lord,
I know them and they follow me.

Alleluia, alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The Lord, the gracious, the merciful,
has made a memorial of his wonders;
he gives food to those who fear him.

Ordinary B1	Ordinary	Intention/Info
Sunday 20th/21st 16th Sunday of the Year	5pm Mass KF 9.45am Mass BH	Canon Mark Hackeson (Ordination anniversary) People of the Parish
Monday 22nd St Mary Magdalene	NO MASS	_____
Tuesday 23rd St Bridget	NO MASS	_____
Wednesday 24th	10am Mass BH 10.30am-11am BH	Adoration and Confessions
Thursday 25th St James	NO MASS	_____
Friday 26th Ss Joachim and Anne	10am Mass KF 10.30am-11am KF	Adoration and Confessions
Saturday 27th	5pm Mass KF	People of the Parish
Sunday 27th/28th 17th Sunday of the Year	5pm Mass KF 9.45am Mass BH	People of the Parish Nigel Richards

Please pray for all those whose have died recently especially those on our July deceased lists and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they all rest in peace.

Please pray for all those who are sick including Fr Brendan Carrick, Fr Cecil, Irene Brown, Christine Holding, Brian Saunders, Christine, Marlene and Tony Lyons, Ian Manley, Noel O'Reilly, Georgina Czuk, Martha Jones, Mavis Geach, Sheila Rowley, Roger Ward, Pauline Bant, Dorothy West, Kath Emery, Patricia Smith, Chris and Tony Rylands, Margaret List, Ken Lowe, Rob Bryan, Betty Storey and Connie Birch May the Lord grant them hope and healing.

Collections BH GA £33.00 Loose £244.52 Stella Maris £111.75 Donation to Lectionaries £100.00 Donation for Sound System £120.00 Teas £22.05 Candles £147.50
KF GA £52.00 Loose £254.65 Stella Maris £103.41 Donation for Lectionaries £520.00

BRIERLEY HILL: Craft Group Mon 9th September 2pm to 4pm in Parish Centre
KINGSWINFORD: Friday 9.30 - 11.30am Foodbank .

FOODBANKS - If you are able to donate to them they will be happy to accept your donations as the need is growing.

SECOND COLLECTIONS - This week for Church maintenance, next week for our Sisters.

Today we welcome Fr Stephen to our Masses at KF and BH. We are very grateful for his support.

NB. NEW LECTIONARIES AND MISSALS

Thank you to the Parishioners who have donated £500.00 to KF and £500.00 plus two £50.00 donations to BH for the New Lectionaries which we have to buy at a cost of £759.00 each Church. If anyone else would like to make a **donation towards these costs it would be much appreciated.** Anyone using personal Missals will need to buy a new one. They are available from the Catholic Truth Society at £9.95 each.

Tea/coffee after Mass - Please join Fr Shanju and stay for tea and coffee after Mass on Sunday morning at BH for a chat and a catch up.

Church cleaning at KF Tuesday 23rd July at 9.30am. Any helpers very welcome.

Sunday Mass at KF Some parishioners have asked if it would be possible to have Mass on Sunday morning in addition to Saturday evening at KF. Fr Shanju has a very busy schedule after Mass at 9.45am at BH but he has offered to say Mass at 8.30am at KF on a Sunday starting in September. This would be without music or singing and would not be covered during his absences. So we can gauge interest in this possible Mass please tick one of the boxes on the form at Mass today and return it to Fr Shanju.

Sound system at BH The sound system at St Mary's will be replaced hopefully at the end of July. It will cost £3500 - £4000 but will be much better for everyone. If anyone who like to make a donation, however small, towards this cost it will be greatly appreciated. There is a box at the back of Church for any donations. Thank you.

Volunteer needed at KF is there anyone who can by opening the Church hall for occasional parties etc to help Maya? Please speak to Fr Shanju as soon as possible. Thank you.

VP Annual Raffle - Tickets will be on sale after Mass at both Churches at £1 each. Prizes are £5,000, £1,000 and many more.

Annual Harvington Pilgrimage Mass - Sunday 1st September 2024 Mass will be at 3pm and it is essential you bring your own chair and packed lunch. For more infor-