

## BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS!

"It was a surprise gift on my birthday!!! Thank you everyone who worked behind the scenes to make my 40th birthday a memorable one. I don't mention anybody's name especially though there are some people who should be mentioned specifically. Thank you for your prayers, gifts and wishes. I keep you all in my prayers".



*Fr Shanju*

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**We Need YOU**



**St Mary's summer fayre this Saturday  
11.30am - 2.30pm and raffle draw !**

**We still need donations of bottles of any kind which can be bought to the Parish centre this Tuesday at 7.30pm and homemade cakes will be very welcome on the day. Please return your raffle tickets before the draw on Saturday. Most importantly please support us and come and spend half an hour at our summer fayre. All proceeds will go to our 150th celebrations in October. Thank you!**

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



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## 13TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR A

**2ND JULY 2023**

**PSALM RESPONSE**

I will sing forever of your love, O Lord.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Open our heart, O Lord,  
to accept the words of your Son.

Alleluia!

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

Bless the Lord, O my soul,  
And all within me his holy name.

**"All together we are great supportive force for those who have lost their homeland, family, work and dignity" Pope Francis** Today we have a collection for Peter's Pence. This is the Pope's charity for support across the universal Church. It funds evangelization work but also supports charities in helping with disasters and emergencies affecting people across the world.

Ordinary A2	Psalter week 2	Intention/Info
<b>Sunday 1st/2nd 13th Sunday of the Year</b>	<b>5pm Mass KF 9.45am Mass BH</b>	People of the Parish Danny and Maria Wright
Monday 3rd	<b>10am Mass KF</b>	Aborted children
Tuesday 4th	<b>7pm KF</b>	Novena
Wednesday 5th	<b>10am Mass BH 10.30am - 11am BH</b>	Stella Jones Adoration and Confessions
Thursday 6th	<b>9am Mass School</b>	School Intention
Friday 7th	<b>10am Mass KF 10.30 KF</b>	Bernadette Jeavons Adoration and Confessions
Saturday 8th	<b>5pm Mass KF</b>	People of the Parish
<b>Sunday 8th/9th 14th Sunday of the year</b>	<b>5pm Mass KF 9.45am Mass BH</b>	People of the Parish Mike Skelding

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

Please pray for all those who are sick including Tommy Caffrey, Fr John Darley, Deacon John Brindley, Ian Manley, Noel O'Reilly, Georgina Kutz, Martha Jones, Mavis Geach, Sheila Rowley, Audrey Berry, Roger Ward, Pauline Bant, Jeanette Amphlett, Dorothy West, Kath Emery, Patricia Smith, Roy Davies, 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 £67.00 Loose £175.93 Sisters £133.35 Funeral £60.00 Bulletin sponsorship £25.00  
KF GA £199.00 Loose £95.72 Sisters £80.72

**SECOND COLLECTIONS - This week for Peter's pence next week for Apostleship of the Sea**

**BRIERLEY HILL: Craft Group** Mon 10th July 2pm to 4pm in Parish Centre  
**KINGSWINFORD** choir practice Wednesday 7pm  
**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.**

**Next weekend 8th/9th July** Fr Louis le Van Hong from Dudley and Tipton will celebrate our Masses and Fr Shanju will go to Dudley and Tipton. The Priests of the Deanery want to get to know each others Parishes. Please make him welcome.

**Novena prayers this Tuesday at 7pm at Kingswinford - All welcome to join.**

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

**Congratulations** to all our candidates, who received the Sacrament of Confirmation last Friday. Please pray for them., their catechists, teachers and families.

**Sr Margaret Ibekwe** - Celebrated her Silver Jubilee as a Sister on Friday. We give thanks for her presence in our Parish and our congratulations and prayers to her on this special occasion.

**Summer fayre meeting** - Tuesday 4th July 7.30pm in Parish centre at BH. All volunteers very welcome.

**Healing Mass and Buffet Wednesday 12th July at 11am at St Mary's** - as in previous years the SVP and year 6 from our school will host a healing Mass at Church followed by a buffet in the parish centre. Please put your name on the list at the back of Church, just for catering purposes. Thank you.

**Universe Catholic Paper** we can order these to be delivered to Church if you would like to receive a copy. Please let Fr Shanju or Stephanie know. Thank you.

**Church cleaning KF - Tues 4th July** at 9.30am. All volunteers very welcome.

**House blessing** - Fr Shanju would like to visit and bless all the Parishioners houses. If you would like his visit please add your details to the list at the back of Church and Fr Shanju will arrange a convenient time with you to bless your home.

**Pantasaph Retreat Centre** After the success of our last pilgrimage many have asked if we can go again on **September 23rd for Padre Pio day** where there is a grand celebration and free lunch. If you are interested please add your name to the sign up sheet at the back of Church by the end of July. If there is enough interest we will organise this.

**Pope's prayer intention for July - For a Eucharistic life** - We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brother and sisters.