

Joint Mass for Deceased Priests, Deacon and Parishioners

(Brierley Hill, Kingswinford, Stourbridge, Dudley, Tipton, Sedgley and Lower Gornal)

Wednesday 15th November 7pm Mass

Kingswinford

The Priests of those Parishes will concelebrate with Fr Shanju and their Parishioners will be invited to attend. There will be tea, coffee and refreshments in the Church hall after this Mass, **please sign the sheet at the back if you will be attending..**

Today we have a second collection for the Johnson Fund

The Charity that supports our retired, sick and infirm Clergy

The Entrance Antiphon at Masses this weekend quotes lines from Psalm 37 “Forsake me not, O Lord my God; be not far from me!” – We would all hope that in our life of faith we do not turn away from the God who loves us.

But we would also hope that you do not forget or forsake those priests who have ministered to you down through the years. This weekend the second collection is for the Johnson Association – which helps to support over 65 of our retired, sick, or infirm priests from our diocese. The Trustees of the Johnson Association ask for your continued prayers for your priests, we ask that you continue to care for them through your goodness, your kind acts, and your financial contributions in the second collection today.

As a charity we are fully aware of the financial strains and difficulties that many of us face at this time, but we ask you to try the best you can to help us to support our priests who have often given many years of service within the Archdiocese of Birmingham. Donations can be made in cash or by cheque or via the online payment – using the QR Code or the Website.

All our retired diocesan priests are most grateful to you – and they offer Mass for you - the benefactors. Remember them in prayer – not just this weekend – but throughout the year. And most of all we say Thank you for your kindness and generosity.

(Johnson Fund Trustees)

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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.olol.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

31ST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR A

5TH NOVEMBER 2023

PSALM RESPONSE

Keep my soul in peace before you, O Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Speak, Lord, your servant is listening:
you have the message of eternal life.

Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

You will show me the path of life,
the fullness of joy in your presence, O Lord.

Ordinary A2	Psalter week 2	Intention/Info
Sunday 4th/5th 31st Sunday of the Year	4.30pm KF 5pm Mass KF 9.30am BH 9.45am Mass BH	Confessions People of the Parish Confessions Lemuel and Kemuel Nkwegu
Monday 6th	10am Mass KF	Paddy Murphy
Tuesday 7th	7pm KF	Novena
Wednesday 8th	10am Mass BH 10.30-11am BH	Kevin Higgins Adoration and Confessions
Thursday 9th	9am Mass School	
Friday 10th	10am Mass KF 10.30am-11am KF	Donald Hale Adoration and Confessions
Saturday 11th	5pm Mass KF	People of the Parish
Sunday 11th/12th 32nd Sunday of the Year	5pm Mass KF 9.45am Mass BH	People of the Parish Mike Skelding

Please pray for all those whose have died recently especially those on our November deceased lists, all the Holy Souls and for all those whose anniversaries occur this month. May they all rest in peace.

Please pray for all those who are sick including Christine, Maureen Southall, Marlene and Tony Lyons, Deacon John Brindley, Ian Manley, Noel O'Reilly, Georgina Kutz, Martha Jones, Mavis Geach, Sheila Rowley, Roger Ward, Pauline Bant, Jeanette Amphlett, 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 £54.00 Loose £232.07 Sisters £138.69
KF 21/10 GA £91.00 Loose £145.91 Missio £103.14
28/10 GA £135.00 Loose £219.08 Sisters £94.30 Candles £311.42

SECOND COLLECTIONS - This week for Johnson fund. Next week for Church Maintenance.

BRIERLEY HILL: Craft Group Mon 6th November 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.

Silence....Silence....Silence

Church is a place of silence and prayer.

So let us try to maintain the silence inside the Church , especially for 10 minutes before and after the Holy Mass. Consider others who wish to pray silently. Friendly chats can be in the porch and official talks in the Sacristy. Thank you for doing this. *Fr Shanju*

Confessions - there is an opportunity for Confession before both Masses this weekend. If needed, Confession can be heard after Mass on request.

Mass offerings for Holy Souls

If you would like to have a Mass offered for your loved ones , take a Mass offering envelope and specifically mark the name and date on the front and return it to Fr Shanju with your Mass offering. **NB There are no dates available in November.** Please write the names of any loved ones on the paper provided and place in the box on the Altar. Do not put any money in these boxes just the names to be remembered at Mass.

Deacon John Brindley - would like to thank everyone for the Mass intentions, prayers, and the support for Carol, which has helped to sustain us during the long wait for his recent heart surgery. The messages and phone calls have meant a lot to us both. Our special thanks also to Vince and Julia Coyle for all their help during this time. I hope to see you soon, God bless.

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.

Sr Margaret Ibekwe - is celebrating her Silver Jubilee on Saturday 25th November with Mass at 11am in St Mary's . She would like to invite the Parishioners from KF and BH to join her in celebrating this blessed occasion.

Fundraising meeting BH Tuesday 14th Nov 7.30pm in the Parish Centre, all welcome.

Church Cleaning KF Tues 14th Nov at 9.30am and Tues 19th Dec at 9.30am for Christmas. All volunteers very welcome and appreciated.

Churches together in Brierley Hill - we are very grateful to Bobbie Adams who has kindly offered to be our representative following the retirement of Brian Saunders.

Pope's prayer intention for November - For the Pope - We pray for the Holy Father; as he fulfils his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him , with the help of the Holy Spirit. Amen.