

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Old Hill

Dear Parishioners, may we wish you all a very joyful and blessed Easter Season. Together we have been reflecting on the best way to serve the parish community of Our Lady of Lourdes, Old Hill. We wish to put before you our firm proposals. At present Fr. Shanju serves the linked parishes of Old Hill, Kingswinford and Brierley Hill. In addition he serves two Syro- Malabar communities. His weekend routine is unsustainable. We are aware that the Mass time change to 5pm Saturday at Old Hill has not been popular and that travel time between Kingswinford and Old Hill can be problematic at times. Given these issues, we firmly propose that Old Hill will be better served by linking it to the much closer Our Lady and St. Kenelm Parish, Halesowen and so be served by Fr. Stefan. This will reinstate the historical connection between these two neighbouring parishes. It will also allow the return of the 11.30am Sunday Mass at Old Hill. There will be no changes to school admissions for those living in the Old Hill Parish. Please do talk about these proposals with Fr. Shanju and Fr. Stefan and share your responses with them. It is hoped to make these changes soon with due notice given. In summary we firmly propose that Old Hill Parish be linked with Halesowen Parish and so served by Fr. Stefan and that the Mass time at Old Hill returns to 11.30am on Sunday. With assurances of prayers,

Fr. Shanju, Fr. Stefan and Bishop Stephen.

Pope's prayer intention for May: For faith-filled young people *We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates and the dedication to service. Amen.*

Catholic Parishes of St Mary, Lady of Lourdes



St. Mary's Brierley Hill,
Our Lady of Lourdes, Kingswinford and
Our Lady of Lourdes, Cradley Heath.

Fr Shanju John
The Presbytery, Summerhill,
Kingswinford, DY6 9JG.
01384 274520

Email: stmarylol.blackcountry@rcaob.org.uk

Website: www.stmaryladyoflourdes.co.uk

Deacon John Brindley (*Retired*)

Convent - Daughters of Divine Love 01384 380155

Part of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Birmingham: Reg. Charity No. 234216

3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

1ST MAY 2022

PSALM RESPONSE

I will praise you, Lord,
you have rescued me.

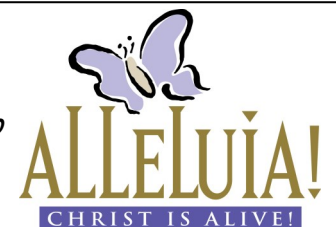
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Lord Jesus, explain the scriptures to us.
Make our hearts burn within us as you talk to us.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Jesus said to his disciples: Come and eat.
And he took bread and gave it to them, alleluia.

*You have been buried with Christ in
Baptism, through which you also rose
again by faith in the working of God, who
raised him from the dead, alleluia. (Roman
Missal)*



Easter (C2)	Psalter week 1	Intention/Info
Sunday 30th/1st 3rd Sunday of Easter	Sat 5pm Mass OH 9.45am Mass BH 11.15am Mass KF	People of the Parish Sylvia Skelding Cecelia Aquino
Monday 2nd	10am Mass KF	Thanksgiving
Tuesday 3rd	10am Mass OH 10.30am-11am OH 7.30pm KF	Maxine Guy Adoration and Confessions Novena
Wednesday 4th	10am Mass BH 10.30am-11am BH	Margaret Shipley Adoration and Confessions
Thursday 5th	6.30pm-7pm KF 7pm Mass KF	Adoration and Confessions James and Roseann McCloskey
Friday 6th	9am Mass	School
Saturday 7th	5pm Vigil Mass OH	People of the Parish
Sunday 7th/8th 4th Sunday of Easter	Sat 5pm Mass OH 9.45am Mass BH 11.15am Mass KF	People of the Parish Stephanie Partridge Edwin Geach

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

Collections BH GA £98.00, Loose £173.84, Sisters £96.35, Candles £35.00 KF GA £107.00, Loose £140.05, Sisters £57.30, Repository £120.00, CAFOD £5.00

BRIERLEY HILL: Craft Group Mon 9th May 2pm to 4pm in Parish Centre
OLD HILL FOODSHARE Tuesday mornings 11am -1pm
KINGSWINFORD: Friday 9.30 - 11.30am **Foodbank** .

Please pray for all those who are sick including Gary Buckley, Audrey Berry, Roger Ward, Fr George Grynowski, Pauline Bant, Jeanette Amphlett, Dorothy West, Margaret Gilroy, Harold Shackley, Michael Rose, Jill Rowe, James Kearney, Barbara Masterman, Tess Barnsley, Steve Dunn, Lynsey Cooper, Alec Huffer, Kath Emery, Patricia Smith, Roy Davies, Chris and Tony Rylands, Margaret List, Ken Lowe, Peggy Tromans, Rob and Ilona Bryan, Betty Storey, Connie Birch, Stella Jones, Margaret Marlowe, Don Neale, Jackie Spittle, David Barnsley and Dawn Russon. May the Lord grant them hope and healing.

FOODBANKS - If you are able to donate to them they will be happy to accept your donations. The need is growing so donations are much needed and gratefully received.

SECOND COLLECTIONS - This week and next week for Parish debt at BH and OH

CONFESSIONS

It is your duty to go to Confession between Ash Wednesday and Pentecost - please do not delay in receiving the Sacrament. Confessions are normally available on Tuesday 10.30am to 11am, Wednesday 10.30am to 11am and Friday 6.30pm to 7pm. I will be pleased to hear your confession at any other suitable time if you cannot make these times. Please just ask.
Fr Shanju

Please note - Mass next Thursday is at Kingswinford at 7pm. There is no evening Mass on Friday. There is also the Novena on Tuesday, all welcome.

Today at BH we welcome the children from our school who are taking part in the liturgy. Please make them and their families welcome as part of our Church family

Online Rosary on Wednesdays at 7pm These are via zoom each week - meeting ID: 784 3490 6257 Passcode 1111.

Jumble sale OH 7th May 11am Volunteers to help will be much appreciated and any donations will be welcome. Please leave in the hall at OH. Thank you

Collection Counters still asking for volunteers! Please think about it.....

Readers at Mass anyone who is interested in reading at Mass please see Fr Shanju

Foodshare donations The demand for help is ever increasing for example 74 visitors in Jan supporting 123 people to 121 visitors in March supporting 239 people so you can see how important your donations are. If anyone would like to see first hand please feel free to visit Our Lady of Lourdes any Tuesday between 11am and 1pm. Thanks for your continued support.

Queen's Jubilee - St Mary's School are hosting a street party on the 25th May to celebrate this occasion and all Parishioners are warmly invited to join them. More details to follow

Walsingham Pilgrimage - Saturday 14th May 2022 7am - Coach departs from Our Lady and All Saints, 13 New Road, Stourbridge, DY8 1PQ
12 noon Arrival at the Shrine, 1pm Mass, 3pm Procession to the ruins and prayers at the Holy House. 5pm Depart.
Cost £25 adults, £10 school age children. Please contact Fr Philip on 01384 395308 or email olas.stourbridge.rcaob.org.uk to book a seat on the coach.