Our Lady of Lourdes, Saturday 11th February World Day of prayer for the sick

The visions of Our Blessed Lady to St Bernadette, and the subsequent association of healing at Lourdes is very well known to us. Please pray for our Parish on this day, especially our Church named in honour and all the sick of the world. The message of Lourdes is a call to personal conversion, prayer and charity.

Pope John Paul II Prayer to Our Lady of Lourdes

Hail Mary, poor and humble Woman, Blessed by the Most High! Virgin of hope, dawn of a new era, We join in your song of praise, to celebrate the Lord's mercy, to proclaim the coming of the Kingdom and the full liberation of humanity. Hail Mary, lowly handmaid of the Lord, Glorious Mother of Christ!

Faithful Virgin, holy dwelling-place of the Word, Teach us to persevere in listening to the Word, and to be docile to the voice of the Spirit, attentive to his promptings in the depths of our conscience and to his manifestations in the events of history.

Hail Mary, Woman of sorrows, Mother of the living! Virgin spouse beneath the Cross, the new Eve, Be our guide along the paths of the world. Teach us to experience and to spread the love of Christ, to stand with you before the innumerable crosses on which your Son is still crucified.

Hail Mary, woman of faith, First of the disciples! Virgin Mother of the Church, help us always to account for the hope that is in us, with trust in human goodness and the Father's love. Teach us to build up the world beginning from within: in the depths of silence and prayer, in the joy of fraternal love, in the unique fruitfulness of the Cross.



Holy Mary, Mother of believers, Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us.

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



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FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR A

5TH FEBRUARY 2023 PSALM RESPONSE

The good man is a light in the darkness for the upright.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
I am the light of the world, says the Lord, anyone who follows me
will have the light of life.
Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Let them thank the Lord for his mercy, his wonders for the children of men for he satisfies the thirsty soul, and the hungry he fills with good things.

O come, let us worship God and bow low before the God who made us, for he is the Lord our God. (Roman Missal)

Ordinary Time A2	Psalter week 1	Intention/Info
Sunday 4th/5th 5th Sunday of the Year	5pm Mass KF 9.45am Mass BH	John Berry People of the Parish
Monday 6th	10am Mass KF	Paul Wakeman
Tuesday 7th	7pm KF	Novena
Wednesday 8th	10am Mass BH 10.30am-11am BH	MSP Society Adoration and Confessions
Thursday 9th	9am Mass School	School intention
Friday 10th	10am Mass KF 10.30am-11am KF	Barbara Scoble Adoration and Confessions
Saturday 11th Our Lady of Lourdes	5pm Mass KF	Choi Family
Sunday 11th/12th 6th Sunday of the Year	5pm Mass KF 9.45am Mass BH	Choi Family People of the Parish

Please pray for all those whose have died recently especially those on our February 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 Ian Manley, Noel O'Reilly, Georgina Kutz, Mike Skelding, 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 and Ilona Bryan, Betty Storey, Connie Birch and Stella Jones. May the Lord grant them hope and healing.

Collections BH GA £88.00 Loose £148.72 Survive Miva £134.05 KF GA £134.50 Loose £141.10 Survive Miva £163.97 Hall hire £1810.00

SECOND COLLECTIONS - This week for Racial Justice next week for Church Maintenance

BRIERLEY HILL: Craft Group tbc Mon 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. The need is growing so donations are much needed and gratefully received.

"Be still and know that I am God"

Please try to remain in silent prayer in Church before Mass begins. There is plenty of time to chat over tea and coffee after Mass. Please note the signs on the door as you come in, thank you.

<u>CONFESSIONS</u> - Please note there is the opportunity for Confession on Wednesday and Friday morning after Mass

Novena Prayers - Tuesday at 7pm at KF

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.

St Mary's children are reading today (Sunday) at Mass. Please make them and thier families welcome.

Altar servers Mass - Thank you to all those who attended and helped make it a special day for Mike Skelding celebrating 80years as an server at St Mary's. A special thanks to all those who brought food for the buffet which was enjoyed by all those there.

Lenten Day of Recollection at St Mary's Convent Handsworth Tuesday 7th March and at St Mary and St John, Wolverhampton on Saturday 25th March. Please see posters at the back of Church for more information.

FLAME 2023 – Catholic Youth Festival – Saturday 4th March – Ages 14-22 - A day of fun and faith for young Catholics at Wembley Stadium in London. If you would like to go please let Fr Sean Gough know by 6th Feb (fr.sean.gough@rcaob.org.uk). Please see poster for more details. Cost is £35 bursaries are available.

OH Foodshare every Tuesday from 11am to 1pm and if you know anyone needing help, please let them know. If you can, please continue to support the foodshare.

Mass intentions - there is a lot of availability if you would like a Mass offered for your own intention, especially on weekdays Please put it in an envelope and pass to Fr Shanju.

Pope's prayer intention for February - For Parishes: We pray that parishes, placing communion at the centre, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need.. Amen