

Catholic Parishes of St Mary, Lady of Lourdes



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Our Lady of Lourdes, Kingswinford and
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12TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

20TH JUNE 2021

PSALM RESPONSE

O give thanks to the Lord,
for his love endures forever.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ
enlighten the eyes of our mind
so that we can see what hope his call holds for us.
Alleluia, alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The eyes of all look to you, Lord,
And you give them their food in due season.

In today's gospel Jesus asks the disciples why they were frightened and why they didn't have faith that everything would be ok. If you had been one of the disciples on that boat, with the wind blowing and the waves crashing, do you think you would have trusted Jesus that everything would be ok? Sometimes when everything around us is frightening it can be hard to keep our faith in God. We can feel like God is no longer with us and it is hard to see how things will get better. Remember God is always with us, especially in the difficult times. *(CAFOD - adapted)*

Ordinary (B1)	Psalter week 4	Intention/Info
Sunday 19th/20th 12th Sunday of the Year	Sat 5pm Mass KF 9.45am Mass BH 11.30am Mass OH	Viv Clark People of the Parish Joseph Huang Tran
Monday 21st		
Tuesday 22nd Ss John Fisher and Thomas More	10am Mass OH 10.30am-11am OH	Fr Stephen Adoration
Wednesday 23rd	10am Mass BH 10.30am - 11am BH	Joseph Dao Adoration
Thursday 24th Nativity of John the Baptist		
Friday 25th	10.30am-11am KF 11am Mass KF	Adoration Mary and Bridget Murphy
Saturday 26th		
Sunday 26th/27th 13th Sunday of the Year	Sat 5pm Mass KF 9.45am Mass BH 11.30am Mass OH	Nicholas Southall Stephanie Partridge People of the Parish

Please pray for all those whose have died especially Thomas Healy, those on our June 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 Dorothy West, Margaret Gilroy, Jess Shaw, Eva McCall, Harold Shackley, Michael Rose, Jill Rowe, James Kearney, Barbara Masterman, Margaret Shipley, Tess Barnsley, Steve Dunn, Lynsey Cooper, Alec Huffer, Kath Emery, Patricia Smith, Roy Davies, Chris Rylands, Tony Rylands, Margaret List, Ken Lowe, Peggy Tromans, Rob Bryan, Ilona Bryan, Betty Storey, Lily Petford, Connie Birch, Stella Jones, Margaret Marlowe, Don Neale, Anne Peters, Jackie Spittle, David Barnsley and Dawn Russon. May the Lord grant them hope and healing.

FOODBANKS - both our foodbanks have now reopened to help those in need. If you are able to donate to them they will be happy to accept your donations - the need is growing and donations are much needed at this difficult time for so many people

**SECOND COLLECTIONS This week there is a second collection for Life
and next Sunday there is a second collection for Peter's Pence.**

Women's World Day of Prayer Service – 2021 Kingswinford

Owing to lockdown etc, the service this year in Kingswinford has been rescheduled to take place at **St Mary's Church, the Village, Kingswinford this Friday at 2pm.**

The Service has been prepared by the Christian women of Vanuatu .
Please do come and join us for this annual ecumenical service – men and women
are invited.

St Mary's Parish Centre - we urgently need a volunteer (or several !) to clean the Parish Centre once a week. After years of excellent service Margaret is unable to carry on due to injury. It's not a major time consuming job but is appreciated by all those who use the hall. Please see Fr Shanju or Stephanie if you can help. Thank you.

Sacramental Preparation - If there are any children who are due to make their First Confession and/or First Holy Communion who do not attend a Catholic school, please let Fr Shanju know as soon as possible. Preparation can then be organised if there is a need.

Singing at Mass - Liz at Old Hill has been singing on her own since we have been able to have a small choir. She would love some company! If any one would like to sing at Mass please let her know on 07730 560806. A few extra voices would be welcome at all three Churches. All that's needed is a willing heart - everyone can sing!

Pope's prayer intention for June:

Let us pray for young people who are preparing for marriage with the support of a Christian community: may they grow in love, generosity, faithfulness and patience. Amen.

NEW BEGINNINGS

In last week's pastoral letter, the Archbishop spoke of a new beginning, a fresh start. For our parishes, this is perhaps particularly appropriate as he has also asked me to move parishes, to a new appointment. I would have been happy and fully committed to remaining with you, but I can also see the logic of his request.

A parish priest's first role is to pray for his people - and I have always done that - and now I pray that the Lord will strengthen us in this time of transition, and bless us all with a fresh outpouring of his Holy Spirit. I ask you to continue to support Fr Shanju, who has been such a blessing to us.

Any information about what is happening to our Parish will be shared with you as soon as I have it.

Yours in Jesus and Mary

Fr Stephen

