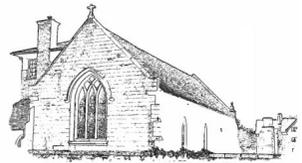


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Whilst all churches and chapels in the Archdiocese are closed to the public in order to combat the spread of Coronavirus Fr John will celebrate Mass privately each day. Mass intentions attached to these Masses will be honoured. Please continue to request Mass intentions by email, phone call or post. Donations may be sent later.

- The **Sunday Readings** may be found by clicking the tab '**Readings & Homily**' on our website.
- In place of a homily from Fr John this week we have a **pastoral letter** from **The Most Reverend Bernard Longley Archbishop of Birmingham**. Please refer to the 'Readings and Homily' and/or 'Latest News' sections on the website to open a PDF of the letter.
- The five **Archbishops of England & Wales** have also sent a PDF pastoral letter to be found on the 'Latest News' section of the website.

Sunday 3rd May

Fourth Sunday of Easter

World Day of Prayer for Vocations

The People of The Parish

Monday 4th May

Feast of the English Martyrs

Doreen Millard R.I.P.

Tuesday 5th May

Easter Feria

For coronavirus victims

Wednesday 6th May

Easter Feria

Michael Millard R.I.P.

Thursday 7th May

Easter Feria

Doreen Kidden R.I.P.

Friday 8th May

Easter Feria

Thomas Costanzo R.I.P.

Saturday 9th May

Easter Feria

Graham Arnold R.I.P.

Sunday 10th May

Fifth Sunday of Easter

The People of The Parish

Anniversaries in May: Rev Samuel Smallman (1613), Anne Mary Hailes (1924), Rev Thomas Bagnall (1973), Rev Joseph Lacy (1978), Harold Sanders (1981), Teresa Fry (1985), Yvonne Beesley (1994), Raymond Doherty (2001), Jennifer Thompson (2002), Robert Hildebrandt (2002), Lynda Frith (2003), Joyce Jordan (2007), Edward Anthony (2007), Alicia Cox (2010), Patricia Godwin (2011), Marjorie Purcell (2014), Caroline Clist (2017)

Prayers for the sick: Michael Bird, Kathleen Clark, Denis Conway, Peter Handley, Jeannie Morrison, Lucinda Robinson



Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Margaret Bradley**, John's wife, who died on Monday 6th April.

Margaret's private funeral will take place on Monday 11th May.

May she Rest In Peace.



Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Bishop Leo McCartie**, who died on Thursday 23rd April, aged 94.

May he Rest In Peace.

For a full biography of Bishop Leo McCartie, please visit the diocesan website: <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/news/bishop-leo-mccartie-rip>

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Contributions to the Parish:

Weekly Offertory received for Sunday 26th April

Gift Aid Direct Debits	£426.00
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Whilst not being able to attend St Mary's in person, parishioners who normally use Gift Aid envelopes may wish to:

- save donations in cash until we return
- **or** write a cheque and deliver/post your donation along with the remaining Gift Aid envelopes for this financial year
- **or** set up a standing order using the form on the Diocesan website .
Download, print, complete and sign by hand then send it for the attention of Amalia Costanzo, St Mary's RC Church, Harvington Hall Lane, Harvington Worcs. DY10 4LR

<https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/Handlers/Download.ashx?IDMF=90f11d7d-ebb4-4d07-b64e-9f38e324225b>



WHILE WE ARE AT HOME

- Many people are accessing **MASS** live streamed from churches in the West Midlands and further afield by using this link: <https://www.mcnmedia.tv/cameras/county/west-midlands>
- **UNIVERSALIS** is also a useful link. Some of the content is free but for a one-off fee it is possible to access the daily liturgy and more: <http://www.universalis.com/>
- Our **WEDNESDAY DISCUSSION GROUP** continue 'to meet' and exchange ideas by email each Wednesday. If you would like to join in the emails conversation with the group please email the office at St Mary's and we will gladly add you in to the group.
- The monthly meetings of the **BOOK GROUP** continue and again engage in email conversations. Currently the Group are reading *In The Wet* by Neville Shute and will share their thoughts during the course of Monday 18th May. Next on the schedule is *The Siege* by Helen Dunmore and the Group will be discussed on Monday 15th June. Again, please contact the parish office if you would like to join the group.
- **ST MARY'S CHILDREN'S LITURGY GROUP** 'virtually meet' every Sunday morning at 10 o'clock via Zoom. Fr John joins them too. The children have great fun learning about the Word of God. For more details about the Group please email the parish office.
- If you have sewing skills and are looking for ways to contribute to the supply of **PPE FOR HEALTHCARE WORKERS**, you may be interested in this: <https://www.worcestershirefortheloveofscrubs.co.uk/> This Group co-ordinate the supply with the need of 'scrubs' clothing in the local area and is part of a national initiative.
- From our homes we are still able to contribute to those who need our help. During the present lockdown situation, the local **FOOD BANK** appreciate monetary gifts to buy supplies on behalf of the service users. If you wish to make a donation by sending supermarket gifts cards and/or a cheque made payable to 'The Kidderminster Foodbank' please post it to:
Mrs Denise Carson, Kidderminster Foodbank Treasurer
20 Whitehill Road, Kidderminster, Worcs. DY11 6JJ



SUNDAY 4th MAY is designated as the WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Today the Holy Father has asked all Catholics to intercede for vocations.

- Pray for the priests who have ministered to you throughout your life, both living and dead.
- Keep our parish priests and deacons in prayer throughout the week.
- Encourage your children or grandchildren to consider a vocation as a priest or religious brother or sister.
- Pray a rosary for more young men and women in our diocese to respond to God's call.

A Prayer for Vocations

God our Father, You made each of us
to use our gifts in the Body of Christ.

We ask that You inspire
young people whom You call to
the priesthood and consecrated life
to courageously follow Your will.

Send workers into Your great harvest
so that the Gospel is preached,
the poor are served with love,
the suffering are comforted,
and Your people are strengthened
by the sacraments

We ask this through
Christ our Lord,
Amen

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- Prayer cards may be downloaded from: <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/Handlers/Download.ashx?IDMF=c9920eb4-d8d9-4597-b2ec-8cf0105f6aa0>
- Parishioners may be interested in viewing **THE PRIEST'S SCHOOL**, a BBC **SCOTLAND documentary** providing rare access to the inner workings, personnel, seminarians and history of the oldest Scottish institution abroad - Il Pontificio Collegio Scozzese (The Scots College in Rome.) <https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/m000hmvf/priest-school>

SAINT MARY'S COLLEGE, OSCOTT is the Archdiocese's college for training and forming priests and deacons. The clergy training fund looks after the selection, training and care of students, continuing development and the promotion of vocations work throughout the Archdiocese.

If you would like to contribute to the **Clergy Training Fund** you may send your donation by post directly to St Mary's College Oscott, Chester Rd, Sutton Coldfield B73 5AA OR to us here at St Mary's Church Harvington and we will forward it for you.

The Archdiocesan vocations Prayer Calendar for students for the priesthood and permanent diaconate for the month of May:

1 Tenny Antony Seminarian Valladolid	2 Jonathan Henry Seminarian Valladolid	3 Jithin Titto Seminarian Valladolid	4 Gerard Bowen Seminarian Oscott
5 David Bench Seminarian VEC, Rome	6 Toby Duckworth Seminarian VEC, Rome	7 Steven Fleming Seminarian Oscott	8 Clive Dytor Seminarian Oscott
9 Rev. Sean Gough Seminarian Oscott	10 Rev. Benedict Skipper Seminarian Oscott	11 Rev. Alex Taylor Seminarian Oscott	12 Vocations to the Priesthood
13 Those in the Diaconate Propaedeutic Year	14 Philip Bracken Diaconate	15 Jonasz Paciorek Diaconate	16 Martin Casey Diaconate
17 Andrew Lansberry Diaconate	18 Jim Brannan Diaconate	19 Tim Naylor Diaconate	20 Gary O'Brien Diaconate
21 Mark Paine Diaconate	22 Krzysztof Wasilewski Diaconate	23 Peter Crosby Diaconate	24 John Garvey Diaconate
25 Dirk Hermans Diaconate	26 Dominic Kerr Diaconate	27 Vocations to the Diaconate	28 Vocations to the Religious Life
29 For all discerning their vocation	30 For all families in our Archdiocese	31 For all young people	
 <p>Lord, may those whom you call to the priesthood, diaconate or religious life have the courage to give themselves to your Church as co-operators in your work. Amen.</p> <p>Diocesan Vocations Office, St. Mary's College, Oscott, Chester Road, Sutton Coldfield, B73 5AA Tel: 0121 321 5137 Email: office@vocations.org.uk www.vocations.org.uk</p>			