



# ST MARY'S CATHOLIC PARISH BREWOOD

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12 <sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME			
<b>Saturday</b> 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	4.30 – 4.45pm <b>5.00pm</b>	Confessions <b>Sunday Vigil Mass</b>	Intentions of the Murphy family
<b>Sunday</b> 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	<b>9.00am</b> <b>11.00am</b>	<b>Sunday Mass</b> (in Penkridge) <b>Sunday Mass</b>	Terence Delacy RIP People of the parish
<b>Monday 24<sup>th</sup></b> Nativity of St John the Baptist	9.00am	<b>Holy Mass</b>	John & Angela Loughran
<b>Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup></b> Feria	9.00am	<b>Holy Mass</b>	Margaret Butler RIP
<b>Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup></b> Feria		No Mass	
<b>Thursday 27<sup>th</sup></b> Feria		No Mass	
<b>Friday 28<sup>th</sup></b> St Irenaeus	9.15am	<b>Holy Mass</b> (with Primary School)	Brian Byrne RIP
SOLEMNITY OF ST PETER AND ST PAUL			
<b>Saturday</b> 29 <sup>th</sup> June	4.30 – 4.45pm <b>5.00pm</b>	Confessions <b>Sunday Vigil Mass</b>	Jim Perry RIP
<b>Sunday</b> 30 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>9.00am</b> <b>11.00am</b>	<b>Sunday Mass</b> (in Penkridge) <b>Sunday Mass</b>	People of the Parish Sam & Hollie Wright

**The Sacrament of Confession** is celebrated every Saturday 4.30-4.45pm or after each weekday Mass or by appointment.

**Please join us for refreshments in the Hall after the 11am Sunday Mass**

**First Holy Communion** – Congratulations to the 6 children of our parish who received their first Holy Communion last Saturday. Please continue to keep them in your prayers

**Baptisms** – Please pray for little Tomas Kearney and Robin McCarthy baptised on the 9<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> June. Congratulations to the parents.

**New Lectionary** - The new translation will be in use from the First Sunday of Advent this year. Our current lectionaries will all need to be replaced and the parish will need to purchase the following to cover our needs:

Ambo Edition (4 Volumes) - £525 (out of £695) for St Mary's Chapel Edition (4 Volumes) - £395 for Penkridge Book of the Gospels - £275 for St Mary's (paid for) Study Edition (4 Volumes) – £250 for the Parish Office

If you would like to donate one of the Lectionaries in memory of a loved one or for your family or towards one of its volumes, please have a word with Fr Tomas. Thank you for the donations so far!

**Solemnity of Nativity of St John the Baptist (24<sup>th</sup> June)** - Only three birthdays are celebrated on the Church's liturgical calendar, the Nativity of Our Lord (December 25), the Nativity of His Mother (September 8), and the Nativity of His forerunner, John the Baptist. Saint John was set apart from the womb to prepare the way of the Lord and was a significant figure connected to the Incarnation and the Redemption. The Church honours him because of his role in preparing the way for Christ.

**Solemnity of St Peter and St Paul** honours the two great apostles and is normally celebrated as a holy day of obligation. This year, however, the feast falls on next Sunday and therefore will replace what would otherwise be 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time.

**Second Collection next week** will be for Peter's Pence, the Pope's official charity. Through it every member of the faithful can participate in the activity of the Pope as Pastor of the universal Church. The faithful's offerings are destined to Church's needs, to humanitarian initiatives and social promotion projects, as well as to the support of the Holy See. ([www.peterspence.va/en.html](http://www.peterspence.va/en.html))

**Benedictines of Mary, Queen of the Apostles** – Back in 2023 you might have heard on the news about Sr Wilhelmina, an American nun who was found incorrupt. Four sisters from the Benedictine monastery that she has founded have found their way into our parish whilst looking for a more permanent place to lay a foundation to a new 'European' community. The Benedictine way of life is one of prayer and manual work and Fr Tomas, along with a group of other local priests, have been helping to celebrate Mass for them on weekly basis since Easter. Recently the sisters have been offered to purchase Colwich Abbey, a Benedictine monastery nearby in Staffordshire that's been on sale since 2020. This would be ideal for them as they hope to attract more vocations. At the same time this would stop the 1836 monastery from becoming for example a secular wedding venue or similar. To secure the purchase the community is raising the necessary £2.5 million. Any donations towards this goal, however small, will be appreciated by them. Please also keep them in your prayers. There are leaflets at the back with more information about them so feel free to pass them on.

**Encounter Morning** – You are invited to a time of reflection & fellowship, led by Cursillo. Through talks and discussion, discover how Cursillo can help you and your parish deepen, renew and share our Catholic faith. Saturday 6th July from 9.30am @ 1pm. Tea, coffees, cakes and pastries will be served. Venue: St Anne's Church, Lynton Avenue, Weeping Cross, Stafford, ST17 0EA. To let us know you are coming please email Paul: paul.northam@rcaob.org.uk or call 0121 321 5148.

**Live Streaming** – Due to newly updated diocesan privacy policy the 11am Mass is no longer be recorded and kept on Youtube. It will still be livestreamed but only accessible for 12h after which it will be overwritten. ([www.youtube.com/watch?v=BorjZEkeoMM](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BorjZEkeoMM))

**The General Election** – Please see the bishops' Conference website for some helpful information they may help us discern how to both use and inform our conscience as we prepare to elect a new Government: [www.cbcew.org.uk/election24](http://www.cbcew.org.uk/election24)

## OTHER PARISH ITEMS

**If you are going into hospital**, please contact Fr Tomas in order to receive the sacrament of the Sick before you go. When you are admitted to the hospital, you will have to explicitly ask for the catholic chaplain to be informed you are there.

**If you know of a parishioner with a serious/long-term illness or who is dying**, please let Fr Tomas know so that he can get in touch and arrange a visit.

**Food Bank** – There is a basket at the back of the church where you can leave non-perishable items that will then be given to The Well, our local Food Bank.

**Interested in being Catholic?** – If you are thinking of becoming a Catholic or know of someone who is please speak to Fr Tomas. We would be glad to accompany you on your journey of faith.

<u>Collection</u>		
<u>Weekend of the 16<sup>th</sup> June 2024</u>		
<b>Loose:</b>	<b>Brewood</b>	<b>Penkrigde</b>
	<b>£271.83</b>	<b>£62.65</b>
<b>Gift Aid:</b>	<b>£123.00</b>	
	<b>Total: £457.48</b>	
The total Gift Aid Standing Orders for May were £975.00 (average weekly total £243.75)		
<b>Second collection (Day for Life): £286.57</b>		

**Please also pray for the sick**, especially Tony Evans, Eileen Gosling, Philip Harding, Clive Baker, Jean Ellson, Susan McLuckie, Mary Stokes, Frank Birch, Deacon Stephen Gee, Philip & Christine Elson, Bill Baker and Bernard Boyes.

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Please contact the Diocesan Safeguarding team on 0121 230 6240 or [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concern.