

**Parish of the Sacred Heart and Saint Margaret Mary, Aston**

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Welcome to the Sacred Heart & St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church. If you are visiting us for the first time we wish to welcome you and your family and hope that you enjoy your visit.

**Prayers for those who have died**:

**Mass Times & Intentions**

**Fifth Sunday in Lent (A)**

**Saturday 25th March 12.30pm –**

**Ints. of Father Michael O’Flynn**

**Sunday 26th March 10.15am –**

**Mrs. McGrail (R.I.P**)

**School Mass Wednesday 29th March 9.10am – All are welcome**

Palm Sunday

Saturday 1st April 12.30pm –

John McDonough (Int)

Sunday 2nd April 10.15am –

Dennis Seery (Birthday)

18th/19th March

Collection - £238.36

Patrick Bland, Edna Grigg, Alan Dinshaw, Dean Winnal, Jacinta Archer.

**Prayers for members of our parish community who are sick or housebound**:

Maura Greene, John McManus, Andy Walsh, Bernadette Harnett, Noreen Fowler, Clem Murray, Julie Bartram, Mary Cartridge, Paul Craig, Rob Badland.

Palm Sunday weekend

Saturday 1st April - 12.30pm

Sunday 2nd April) – 10.15am

Holy Thursday 6th April

Mass of the Lord’s Supper - 7.00pm

Good Friday 7th April

Walk of Witness beginning 9.30am

Liturgy of the Lord’s Passion – 3.00pm

Holy Saturday 8th April

**No 12.30pm Mass today**

Easter Vigil &

First Mass of Easter – 7.00pm

Easter Sunday 9th April

Mass as normal 10.15am

**Stations of the Cross -** There will be Stations of the Cross every Sunday during Lent following the 10.15am Sunday Mass.

**Easter Collections**

All collections at the Easter Masses are for the Clergy who serve the Parish. Envelopes are available at the back of the church.

**Prepare for Mass with your Blessed Mother.** The Daughters of Divine Love will lead us as we pray the Rosary in the Church before all Sunday Masses. Please arrive 20 minutes before Mass.

**Who to contact**

**Safeguarding Representatives**:

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Message from Father Tim ……………………

I have mentioned the Holy Week ceremonies at Sacred Heart, but one of the features of Holy Week in Aston is our Walk of Witness with our brothers and sisters of the local Christian churches. I shall be taking part in the Walk of Witness on Good Friday and I invite parishioners to do so too.

The details I have so far are:

9.30am St.James’s Church, 223a Frederick Road, Aston, B6 6BP

Silo Pentecostal

Birchfield (maybe Holy Trinity?)

Sacred Heart

Mount Zion

South Aston United Reform – arriving at about Midday.

Then our own Liturgy of Good Friday begins at 3pm

**Last Friday of the Month** – at our church – TRANSFORM NIGHT VIGIL 7pm to 9pm. All welcome. Holy Mass, Word of God, Healing Prayers. (FRIDAY: 31st March). Outside of weekend Mass, this is one event that is designed to bring parishioners together in the prayerful atmosphere of our beautiful church. While there are people who do not wish to come out at night, this is at a time when young adults and maybe families could come.

Birmingham Irish Heritage Group meet Monday 3rd April at 7pm at the

Sacred Heart Club. All welcome and tell your friends.

**A memorial dance** to celebrate the life of the late Kevin McCaughey will be held at St Francis Centre on Saturday, April 15th next. Music by Little Jimmy, John Murphy, and many more musicians and singers, including Birmingham Irish Pipes & Drums.

Tickets are £5, including light refreshments, available from Michael Collins on

0794 125 0362. Kevin was a great fundraiser for charity all his long life. He was a lifelong Pioneer who ran many marathons, including London, New York and the Great North Run. Unfortunately, in his later years (he was 89) he got dementia.

**Notes for your diary:**

**Saturday 15th April – Aston Villa are playing at home 12.30pm**

**Saturday 6th May – King’s Coronation – THERE WILL BE NO 12.30 MASS**

**Sunday June – First Holy Communion at the 10.15 Mass.**

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