



**OUR LADY & ST BENEDICT'S CHURCH NEWSLETTER**  
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 Christ humbled himself but God raised him high  
 Philippians 2:6-11 **Psalter Week 2.**

**Holy Father's Prayer Intention for March: For the new martyrs** – We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.

**Palm Sunday 23rd- 24<sup>th</sup> March**

Sat 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	<b>Vigil for the Palm Sunday of the Passion of The Lord</b>	5.30 pm Mass: Divine Healing on Maureen Walsh, Michael Walsh and Peggy Lennon
Sun 24 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>Palm Sunday of the Passion of The Lord</b>	10.00 am Mass + online via Zoom John Mitchell RIP

**Holy Week Services**

Mon 24 <sup>th</sup> March	Monday of Holy Week	Mass 9.30 am The welfare of Antony V John and family
Tue 25 <sup>th</sup> March	Tuesday of Holy week	5.30 pm Holy Hour for Vocations Sacrament of Reconciliation Mass 6.30 pm
Wed 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Wednesday of Holy Week	7.00 pm: Ecumenical Station of The Cross
Thurs 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Maundy Thursday	7.30 pm: Mass of the Lord's Supper. Renewal of Commission for Eucharistic Ministers Watching until midnight.
Fri 29 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>Good Friday</b> Collection for Holy Places	10.00 am Joint Ecumenical Service at Henley in Arden Market Cross 3.00 pm: Celebration of the Lord's Passion. 7.00 pm Station of the Cross
Sat 30 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>Holy Saturday</b> Second Collection: your Easter Clergy offering	8.00 pm: The Pascal Fire Mass & Service of Light
Sun 31 <sup>st</sup> March	<b>Easter Sunday Solemnity of the Resurrection of the Lord</b> Second Collection: your Easter Clergy offering	8.30 am Solemn Mass 10.00 am Solemn Mass Paul Judge RIP

**Holy Hour to pray for Vocations:** Across our Deanery, there will be a Holy Hour from 5.30 pm – to 6.30 pm to pray for Vocations on Tuesday; This will also be a chance to take part in the sacrament of reconciliation as we Enter the Sacred Tridium. Our Mass on Tuesday will be at 6.30 pm

**Ecumenical Stations of the Cross, On Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> @ 7.00 pm.** We will welcome our fellow local Christian communities to join us for Station of the Cross. Please come along and share.

**Easter Clergy Offering.** Next weekend our second Collection will be the Easter Clergy offering, there are some envelopes in the Church

**Peter Bullingham RIP:** Peter passed away this week, He had not been well for some time, we offer our sincere condolences to Ann and all the family on their loss of a husband, father and grandfather.

**Henley in Arden Churches Together; 10.00 am Good Friday Service at the Market Cross.**

Please do come and join us from Our Lady and St Benedict's with the churches of Henley in Arden for the service of worship and witness at the Market Cross on Good Friday Morning.

**Prayer Intentions:** We pray for all on our parish sick list and for those who care for them, May Christ be near them to bless them. We pray for the repose of the soul of Peter Bullingham, for our parish anniversaries, Annie Jones, Pauline Fogarty, David Marks, John Barrett, Peter Jefferies and Charlie Mander. Eternal rest grant to them O lord, may they rest in eternal peace.

**LAST CALL Our Lady and St Benedict's Parish, Easter Lilies;** If you would like to donate to the floral displays in our Church at Easter in memory of a loved one or as a celebration, please complete the form/ envelopes in church. All those who are to be remembered will be placed on a Prayer Board. Payments can also be made by bacs, please mark your payment '**Easter Lilies.**' For more information, please get in touch with Lesley on WhatsApp at +44 7912 623990 or email, [lesleyharvey@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:lesleyharvey@yahoo.co.uk)

**Easter Fundraising Raffle:** We will again have a draw for a "Betty's of Harrogate Easter Egg", retailing at over £40 and an Easter Cake to raise parish funds. The Tickets will be on sale from now at £2 per strip or 3 for £5, please do support this by buying a raffle ticket.

**Easter Sunday Social:** We will have refreshments after the 10.00 mass on Easter Sunday. Please do come along and join us. A kind parishioner has kindly donated some easter eggs for the children.

**Music in Church:** With the newer music being played on occasions at Mass, and to allow everyone to feel more confident with it, we would like to offer the opportunity to go through the songs. We are proposing some drop-in sessions after Mass on a Sunday, or possibly some evenings in the week, to go through the music we will be playing at Mass through the year. Hopefully, this will help everyone to feel more confident in the music as part of the overall Mass experience. Everyone is welcome - As one of our old parish priests said "If God has given you a wonderful voice now is the time to use it, but if you haven't now is the time to get your own back" There will be no commitment, but we would love you to feel more involved. We will be leaving a sheet at the back of the church so you can indicate your meeting preferences, with contact details. We can then formulate some dates and get back to you.

**The "100" Club March Draw:** The First prize of £118.50 was won by Kate Corrigan (58), the second prize of £79.00 went to no 81 Dee Tyler and the third prize of £39.50 was won by Margaret Dufty.

**Margaret and Michael Dufty:** Congratulations to Margaret and Michael as they Celebrate their 63<sup>rd</sup> Wedding anniversary. Thank you, Margaret, for all you do for our Church and to Michael for his work on the Wootton Wawen Parish Council

**Archdiocese of Birmingham Vision:** *"Our Vision is to be a Catholic Diocese which is faithful to the mission entrusted to us by Jesus Christ, full of missionary disciples who work together responsibly in vibrant communities of faith, joyful in their service of God and neighbour".*

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