





# MASS TIMES



		<b>St Mary Immaculate</b>	<b>St Charles Borromeo</b>
Sun 19	<b>Pentecost Sunday</b>	6pm (Sat) <i>Edward Manning</i> 11am <i>Pro Populo</i> <b>Confirmation Mass</b>	9am <i>Private int.</i> <i>Gearoid Cronin RIP</i>
Mon 20	Mary, Mother of the Church	9.30am <i>Private int.</i> (in primary school)	<i>Rosary before Mass</i> 10am <i>Private int.</i>
Tue 21	St Christopher Magallanes and his Companions	9.30am <i>Nicholas Reseigh RIP</i>	10am <i>Private int.</i>
Wed 22	St Rita of Cascia		<i>Rosary before Mass</i> 12pm <i>Private int.</i>
Thur 23	Our Lord Jesus Christ, the Eternal High Priest		12pm <i>Private int.</i>
Fri 24	feria	6pm <i>Private int.</i>	<i>Rosary before Mass</i> 10am <i>Private int.</i>
Sat 25	St Bede the Venerable	6pm <i>Winifred Granger RIP</i>	10am Adoration 10.30am <i>Private int.</i> <i>followed by Confessions</i>
Sun 26	<b>Trinity Sunday</b>	11am <i>Pro Populo</i>	9am <i>Private int.</i>

## THE WORD THIS WEEK

We arrive at the fiftieth day - the completion of the Easter Season, and the completion of the Paschal Mystery: the Lord has died, is risen, has ascended to heaven and now gives birth to his Church, by sending the Spirit upon the apostles. This feast of the gift of the Spirit is so significant for us, because it marks the handing on of Jesus' ministry to the Church - in the Church we are guaranteed the presence of the Lord, in his sacraments, in his ministers, in the Blessed Sacrament and in his Celebrated Word. It also marks the fulfilment of our thoughts about baptism throughout this season: the gift of the Spirit which we receive in Confirmation is the 'seal' of our baptism, guaranteeing and confirm-ing all that baptism achieves.

# GENERAL NOTICE

**Confirmation:** The Archbishop will be at St Mary's this weekend to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. The church will be very full – please consider attending another Mass if it's not too inconvenient.

**Quaker Spirituality:** Mon 20 May in the Martyrs' Room 7:30-9pm via Zoom with Dr Madeleine Pennington

**Retreat** on Sat 25 May, 2 - 5pm. Join us for an afternoon of post-Pentecost reflection on the Holy Spirit, in the Parish Hall, St Mary's. We'll listen to readings in companionable & reflective silence, with some optional sharing, and end with tea and cake. email [smiwarwick.retreats@gmail.com](mailto:smiwarwick.retreats@gmail.com) by midday the day before if you can come (no charge).

**Book Club:** Trip to Hay-on-Wye during the Hay Festival – Sat 1 Jun. Minibus will depart at 8am and return at 3pm. Book Club members will get priority, if anyone would like to come, please let the office know.

**Borrowed Books:** Please bring any saleable books you're prepared to get rid of and put them on the for-sale shelf at the back of St Charles. Hardbacks £1, paperbacks 50p (in honesty box) - proceeds to the church

**SAVE THE DATE!** The annual March for Life - Sat 7 Sept in London. Transport arrangements will be advertised nearer the date. [www.marchforlife.co.uk/2024-event-page/](http://www.marchforlife.co.uk/2024-event-page/)

**PUBLIC ROSARY** Gather in St Peter's church carpark, CV32 5AA, at 4.15pm, Sun 26 May (and every 2 weeks thereafter), when we will walk into town to recite the Rosary and prayers. All are welcome.


**CAFOD:** As we look ahead to next year's Jubilee. CAFOD invites you to Ripples of Hope, a special day of reflection & prayer led by well-known and much loved Catholic speaker, teacher & author David Wells. Sat 8 June at The Dormer Conference Centre, St Peter's, Leamington from 11am – 4pm (a light lunch will be provided). To attend please register here: <https://cafod.org.uk/news/events/ripples-of-hope>

**Could you be a seed of hope?** The archdiocese is inviting enthusiastic individuals to create a network of Environment Champions. To celebrate Laudato Si week (19-26 May), please help us get as many local Environment Champions as we can. Your mission is to be a channel of communication between the archdiocese and your area, to promote Care of Creation and to enthuse others to help in responding to the Popes' call in Laudato Si to a spirituality which supports an ecological conversion. You will receive the full support of the Care for Creation Committee as part of the diocesan effort to act as stewards of creation. <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/seedofhope>

**The Divine Mercy Apostolate** is holding a Divine Mercy Reflection on Sat 25 May, from 1-4:30pm at St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church, 115 Headley Way, Oxford, OX3 7SS. The Reflection will include the Holy Rosary, teachings on the Message of Mercy, Stations of the Cross, Holy Mass, Hour of Mercy with Adoration and Benediction and Veneration of the Image of Merciful Jesus. All Welcome. Please call Millie on 07957594646 for more information

**Deanery Pastoral Council:** four parishioners (Bernard Baxter, Mary McGrath, Emma Mason, Peter Gay) have been appointed by Fr Patrick to represent our Parishes and it is hoped that there will, in future, be opportunities to nominate and elect representatives. The 'Terms of Reference' will be published on each of our two parish websites, [click here](#)

**Banbury & Warwick Deanery.** First meeting of the Deanery Pastoral Council (DPC) meeting – Weds 8 May 2024: Over 40 lay representatives and parish priests/ deacons met for the first meeting in Bicester. The minutes will appear on the Deanery website soon. Meanwhile, the main agenda item was around the grouping of the parishes into 5 possible clusters, known as Leamington, Rugby, Bicester & Banbury, Stratford & Kenilworth. It was agreed that the representatives of the parishes on the Deanery PC should meet with the parish priests before the next meeting on 19th Sept, to discuss the proposed clusters, recommend any improvements and share how parishes within the cluster can support each other in fulfilling the Diocesan Vision.

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2 <sup>nd</sup> Collections	26 May Church Maintenance	
Counting	This week group 3 Next week group 4	More counters required at St Charles, please contact Angela.
Sick & Housebound	Gill Bonehill, Christopher Browne, Eileen Checkley, Colin Docker, Wendy Fitzpatrick-Ellis, Annie Gleason, Anne Gunthorpe, Graham Hardwick, Samantha Hewitt, Susan James, Catherine McCarthy, Monica, Liam McLaughlin, Bernadette Narain, Kathleen O'Connor, Agnes Pauling, Peter Schmidt, Sheila Thumwood, Betty Walters, Gerard Williams.	Aidan Harris, Samantha Hewitt, Jo Holleron, Eddie Unitt, Janina Woods.  <b><i>Your prayers are asked for all the sick in our parishes: at home, care home, hospital, hospice.</i></b>
Monthly Draw 	<b><u>£350 paid in prizes each month.</u></b> There is plenty of room for more members, or existing members to take additional numbers, contact the office £5 per No. Per month. Next draw 20 May.	<b><u>St Charles Tote</u></b> Drawn on the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of every month. Next draw 9 June.  Contact Paul & Helena
The lamps in our churches	Sanctuary lamp:	
Rosary group	The Pope's intentions for May: For the Formation of Religious, Monks, Nuns, & Seminarians. The Pontiff urges prayers "so that religious, monks, nuns, & seminarians may grow in their vocational journey through human, pastoral, spiritual, and communal formation, leading them to be credible witnesses of the Gospel."	

**PARISH GIVING:** The best way to support our parishes financially is by setting up a Standing Order using the following bank details If you don't have internet banking and want to sign up for Standing Order, please contact the parish office. [GiftAid form](#)

Account name: RCA Birmingham St Mary Immaculate Acc. no.28541588: Sort code 55-70-33  
Account name: RCA Birmingham St Charles Borromeo Acc. no.28392876: Sort code 55-70-33

**Parish Websites** [stmary-immaculate.org.uk](http://stmary-immaculate.org.uk) [stcharles-borromeo.org.uk](http://stcharles-borromeo.org.uk)

Our Parishes operate in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parishes Safe guarding Representative is Julia FitzSimons who can be contacted at: [sg.smi.warwick@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.smi.warwick@rcaob.org.uk) or alternatively the diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/ [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concern.

Health & Safety Coordinators: Jonathan Ho (St Mary), Damien Convey (St Charles)  
Primary School Head: Julia Wallace. Parish Secretary: Andy Walker.