



## Welcome to Mass at St Margaret Mary, Perry Common

Easter VI

Alleluia, Christ is Risen!

17 May, 2020

### Notices

\*Many thanks for all the response to our foodbank request. We are very grateful. We know for many families and individuals, this summer will be difficult.

\*Many thanks for the cleaning company for deep cleaning our church this week, and for the anonymous benefactor that enabled this to happen.

\* Whilst in lockdown set for some time, we start to think of preparations for the centenary of the original (1926) St Margaret Mary Church (on Turfpits Lane - where Emery House now stands) we would like members to dig out old parish photos and stories please from any era! These will be put into a booklet (and possibly our website) which we will assemble over the lockdown. Any photos or stories can be posted to Fr Simon Ellis or scanned and sent by email. Please remember, if it is a photo, to say who is in the photo and what year (or approximate year). Please remember to leave your name so we can contact you if necessary!

\* A new local online community magazine is being produced, called *Erdington Local*, but is only available through Facebook.

\*The recently published Ofsted report for St Margaret Mary School concludes that the school is graded as 'good'. This is great news and we are delighted for the school.

\* If you would like to help the NHS locally with scrubs visit this website:

visit: [https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/sewscrubsforbirmingham?utm\\_term=egAbMqvva](https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/sewscrubsforbirmingham?utm_term=egAbMqvva) Or visit the 'For the Love of Scrubs - Birmingham Sub Group' Facebook group - <https://www.facebook.com/groups/LoveOfScrubsBham/>

\* **My homily for this week:**

<https://youtu.be/-RsTcE7W8QE>

\* We are urging those who can to switch to giving by standing order. Please set one up with our Bank, NatWest, Sort Code 60-08-02, Account Number 14403749. Account name: *Archdiocese of Bham St Margaret Mary*. We are losing a great deal of money each week and we are going to be in a very difficult situation the longer this crisis lasts. PLEASE RESPOND IF YOU CAN. Many thanks to those who have responded so far.

\*If you have Sky TV you can follow mass on Channel 588.

<https://www.wordonfire.org/daily-mass/> is live at 12.15pm or catchup. There is also a mass and other prayers and teaching on:

<https://www.facebook.com/EWTNGB/videos/244717466715007/> from the Our Lady of Walsingham Shrine, mass at 9.30am

\* St Chad's Cathedral, daily mass (check weekly details):

<https://www.stchadscathedral.org.uk/>

**\*Prayers for the departed:**

Jon Paul Breakwell, George Parkes, Kathleen Toney, Joseph Foster, Mary Skillen, Bernard Chidzomba, John Moore, Dorothy Juffs, Carmela Capozzi, Daniel Hickmott, Silas Ihejirika, Shirley Preston, Margaret McIlkenney, Mark Davies, Alan Beet, 'Frank' John Francis Neary, Glendon Winter, Peter Foster, Ivan Knezevic, Murial Hunt, Ethel Lambeth, Dean Brooks, Ennis Weltman Masube, Terry Murphy, Charlie Lafferty, Janet Bowen, Teresa Brolan, Tina Rogers, Michael Ullah, Elsie Sazuze, Mary Fullerton, Michaelina Black, Mandy Comasky, Geoffrey Kirk, Dick Hemmings, Allen George Reeve, Wyn Hathaway, George Browne, Marie Turner, Pablo Alvaro-Gonzales, Hugo Shields, Catherine Cleveley, Janet Epaku RIP.

\*May is the month of Our Lady.

**THIS WEEK:** Sat 16<sup>th</sup> Mass ( Marie Allsopp RIP c/o Kara and Steve)

EASTER VI Sun 17<sup>th</sup> May. Mass (Michael Skally RIP)

Monday, 18<sup>th</sup> May . Mass (The Sullivan family).

Tuesday, 19 May. Mass (Ennis Weltman Masube RIP).

Wednesday, 20 May. St Bernadine of Siena. Mass (Laurence Byrne RIP)

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May. **THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD.** (Patrick Joseph Byrne RIP).

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May. Mass. (Tina Rogers RIP)

Sat 23<sup>rd</sup> Mass (All Muslims living and working in this parish)

EASTER VII Sun 24<sup>th</sup> May. Mass (Mary Kinsella RIP)

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Our Lady of the Assumption, Maryvale and Christ the King, Kingstanding.

**Following Mass this Weekend**

Ye watchers and ye holy ones,  
bright seraphs, cherubim, and  
thrones,  
raise the glad strain,  
Alleluia!  
Cry out, dominions, principedoms,  
powers,  
virtues, archangels, angels' choirs,

*Alleluia! alleluia! alleluia!*

*Alleluia....alleluia!*

O higher than the cherubim,  
more glorious than the seraphim,  
lead their praises,  
Alleluia!

Thou bearer of the eternal Word,  
most gracious, magnify the Lord,

*Alleluia! alleluia! alleluia!*

*Alleluia...alleluia!*

Respond, ye souls in endless rest,  
ye patriarchs and prophets blest,  
Alleluia....alleluia!  
Ye holy twelve, ye martyrs strong,  
all saints triumphant, raise the song,  
*Alleluia! .....*

O friends, in gladness let us sing,  
supernal anthems echoing,  
Alleluia.....alleluia!  
To God the Father, God the Son,  
and God the Spirit, Three in One,  
*Alleluia! .....*

Priest: + In the name of the Father and of  
the Son and of the Holy Spirit

All: **Amen**

Priest: The Lord be with you

All: **And with your Spirit.**

Confiteor: I confess to almighty God  
and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I  
have greatly sinned,  
in my thoughts and in my words,  
in what I have done and in what I have  
failed to do, through my fault, through my  
fault, through my most grievous fault;  
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,  
all the Angels and Saints,  
and you, my brothers and sisters,  
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Priest: May Almighty God have mercy  
upon us, forgive us our sins and bring us  
to everlasting life. **Amen.**

### **Gloria in excelsis**

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth  
peace to people of good will. We praise  
you, we bless you, we adore you, we  
glorify you, we give you thanks for your  
great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O  
God, almighty Father.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only begotten Son, Lord  
God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you

take away the sins of the world, have  
mercy on us, you take away the sins of the  
world, receive our prayer, you are seated  
at the right hand of the Father, have  
mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone  
are the Lord, you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the  
glory of God the Father. Amen.

First reading: Acts 8.5-8,14-17  
*The apostles laid hands on them and they  
received the Holy Spirit.*

Psalm response: *Cry out with joy to  
God all the earth*

Second reading: 1 Peter 3.15-18. *In the  
body Christ was put to death, in the spirit  
he was raised to life.*

Gospel acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia.  
*Jesus said: 'If anyone loves me, he will  
keep my word, and my Father will love  
him and we shall come to him.'*

**Gospel:** John 14.15-21  
*Jesus will ask the Father and he will give  
you an Advocate, the Holy Spirit*

**Apostles Creed** I believe in God, the  
Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and  
earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only son,  
Our Lord, *who was conceived by the Holy  
Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered  
under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died  
and was buried; he descended into hell;  
on the third day he rose again from the  
dead; he ascended into heaven, and is  
seated at the right hand of the Father  
almighty; from there he will come to  
judge the living and the dead.*  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy  
Catholic Church, the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of  
the body and life everlasting. Amen.

**Offertory:** Jesus, the very thought of Thee  
With sweetness fills the breast;  
But sweeter far Thy face to see,  
And in Thy presence rest.

Nor voice can sing, nor heart can frame,  
Nor can the mem'ry find  
A sweeter sound than Thy blest name,  
O Saviour of mankind!

O hope of every contrite heart,  
O joy of all the meek,  
To those who fall, how kind Thou art!  
How good to those who seek!

All those who find Thee find a bliss  
Nor tongue nor pen can show;  
The love of Jesus, what it is,  
None but His loved ones know.

Jesus, our only joy be Thou,  
As Thou our prize will be;  
Jesus, be Thou our glory now,  
And through eternity.

Pray Brethren that my sacrifice and yours  
may be acceptable to God the almighty  
Father.

All: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at  
your hands for the praise and glory of his  
name, for our good and the good of all his  
holy Church.

**Sanctus:** Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of  
hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your  
glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is  
he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

**The Mystery of faith.** All: We proclaim  
your death, O Lord, and profess your  
resurrection, until you come again.

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who  
takes away the sins of the world. Blessed  
are those who are called to his supper of  
the Lamb. All: Lord I am not worthy that

you should enter under my roof, but only  
say the word and my soul shall be healed.

**Final hymn:**

O Mother blest, whom God bestows  
On sinners and on just,  
What joy, what hope thou givest those  
Who in thy mercy trust.

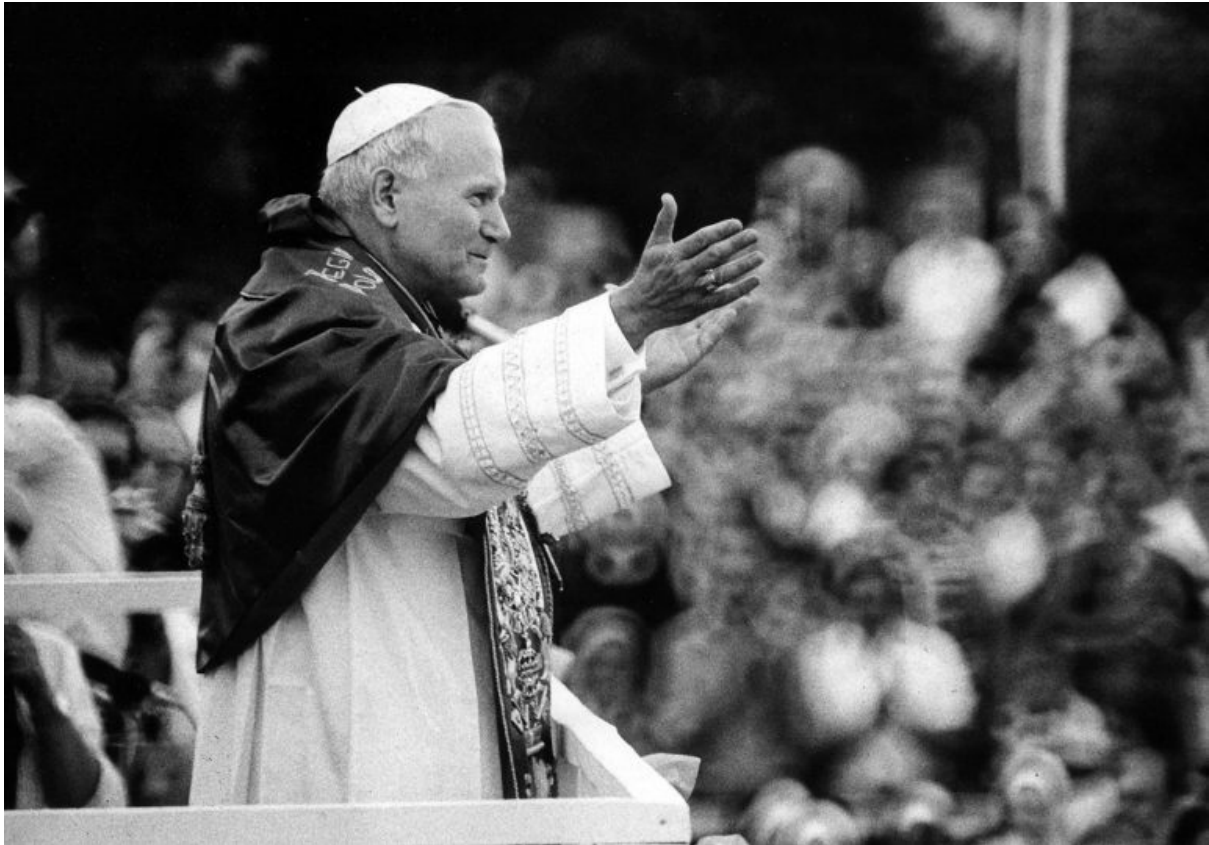
*R. Thou art clement, thou art chaste,  
Mary, thou art fair;  
Of all mothers sweetest, best,  
None with thee compare.*

O heavenly Mother, mistress sweet!  
It never yet was told  
That suppliant sinner left thy feet  
Unpitied, unconsolated. R/

O Mother, pitiful and mild,  
Cease not to pray for me;  
For I do love thee as a child,  
And sigh for love of thee. R/

Most powerful Mother, all men know  
Thy Son denies thee nought;  
Thou askest, wishest it, and lo!  
His power thy will hath wrought. R/

O Mother blest, for me obtain,  
Ungrateful though I be,  
To love that God who first could deign  
To show such love for me. R/



Pope Francis said that he has looked up to St John Paul II throughout his priesthood in a book foreword he wrote ahead of the 100-year anniversary of the Polish pope's birth.

"St John Paul II was a great witness of faith ... Many times, in the course of my life as a priest and bishop I have looked to him, asking in my prayers for the gift of being faithful to the Gospel as he witnessed to us," Pope Francis wrote in the forward of a recently published Italian book.

The book, "St John Paul II: 100 Years. Words and images", is being issued by the Vatican Publishing House to mark the centenary of Karol Wojtyła's birth on May 18, 1920.

In his five-page foreword, Pope Francis wrote that St John Paul II was "a great man of prayer who lived completely immersed in his time and constantly in contact with God, a sure guide for the Church in times of great change."

"He was a great witness of mercy and throughout his pontificate he called us to this characteristic of God," Francis said.

When Wojtyła became Pope John Paul II in 1978, a 41-year-old Fr Jorge Mario Bergoglio was serving as the provincial superior of the Jesuits in Argentina.

Pope John Paul II appointed Bergoglio an auxiliary bishop in 1992, elevating him to become Archbishop of Buenos Aires in 1998, and creating him a cardinal in 2001. Pope Francis canonised St John Paul II in 2014.

“Fifteen years now separate us from his death,” Pope Francis said.

The Pope pointed out that there are children and young people today who have not known or only have a vague memory of St John Paul II.

“For this reason, on the centenary of his birth, it was right to remember this great holy witness of the faith that God has given to his Church and to humanity,” he said.

“I hope that this text will reach the hands of many, above all young people. Let us remember his faith. He is an example for us to live our witness today,” the Pope said.

Pope Francis wrote that many may not realise how much St John Paul II suffered in his life. He experienced the death of his mother, brother, and father by the age of 21, and then lived through World War II.

“The suffering that he experienced relying totally on the Lord forged him, and made even stronger the Christian faith in which he had been educated,” Francis said.

“St John Paul suffered as Pope. He suffered a terrible attack in 1981, offered his life, shed his blood for the Church. He testified that even in the difficult trial of disease, shared daily with God made man and crucified for our salvation, we can remain happy. We can remain ourselves,” he continued.

Pope Francis also commented on John Paul II’s “great passion for the human person” and his openness to dialogue.

Earlier this year, Pope Francis co-authored a book of reflections on the life of St John Paul II entitled “St John Paul the Great.” In this book, Pope Francis said he learned the importance of joy and mercy from the Polish pope.

“It is enough to look at his life” to see that John Paul II had “the smell of the sheep,” Francis said. “He was a pastor who loved people and the people returned it with an immense love.”

Saint John Paul II ended a homily with this prayer, where an echo is found of the “chaplet of Mercy” taught by Christ to Saint Faustina”

*“God, merciful Father,*

*Who revealed your Love in your Son Jesus Christ,*

*And spread it on us in the Holy Spirit Consoler,*

*We entrust to you today the destiny of the world*

*And of each man*

*Bend over our sins,*

*Heal our weakness,*

*Overcome all evil,*

*Make all the inhabitants of the earth experience your mercy,*

*So that in You, One and Triune God,*

*They find always the source of hope.*

*Eternal Father, by the sorrowful Passion and the Resurrection of your Son,  
give to us your mercy, as well as to the whole world! Amen*