



**Welcome to
St Margaret Mary Church
Birmingham
ADVENT II
Family Mass, Year 3 and 6
8th December, 2024**

'St Margaret Mary Church, a community where God's heart speaks to our hearts, to transform us to worship, to serve the needy and to make missionary disciples of all nations'

Light the Advent candle one,
Now the waiting has begun.
All God's people wait in hope
For the coming of our Lord.

*Candle, candle burning bright
Shining in the cold winter night.
Candle, candle burning bright,
Fill our hearts with Advent joy.*

2. Light the Advent candle two
For God's prophets who are called
To be faithful to His word,
In a world of sin and shame.

Opening hymn:

Walk with me O my Lord
Through the darkest night and
brightest day
Be at my side O Lord

Hold my hand and guide me on my way.

Sometimes the road seems long, my energy is spent,
Then Lord, I think of You and I am given strength.

Stones often bar my path and there are times I fall,
But you are always there to help me when I call.

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.**

Kyries Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Kyrie, eleison.

Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Christe, eleison.

Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Kyrie, eleison.

First reading: Baruch 5.1-9. *God will show your splendour.*

Psalm Response: *What great deeds the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad.*

Second reading: Philippians 1.3-6, 8-11. *Be pure and blameless for the day of Christ.*

Gospel Acclamation: (Please stand): *Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight; all flesh shall see the salvation of God.*

The Gospel: Luke 3.1-6. *John the Baptist, the voice crying in the wilderness.*

Homily

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.

Bidding Prayers – see screen

Offertory hymn Take me, Lord, use my life in the way you wish to do. Fill me, Lord. Touch my heart till it always thinks of you. Take me now, as I am, this is all I can offer.

Here today, I the clay will be moulded by my Lord.

Lord I pray, that each day I will listen to your will.

Many times I have failed but I know you love me still.

Teach me now, guide me, Lord, keep me close to you always.

Here today, I the clay will be moulded by my Lord.

I am weak, fill me now with your strength and set me free.

Make me whole, fashion me so that you will live in me.

Hold me now, in your hands, form me now with your spirit.

Here today, I the clay will be moulded by my Lord.

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. Heav'n and earth are full of your glory.

Hosana, hosanna in the highest.

Hosana in the highest.

Bless'd is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosana, hosanna in the highest.

Hosana in the highest.

The Mystery of faith: When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace, grant us peace.

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.

Communion hymn

God forgave my sin in Jesus' name.
I've been born again in Jesus' name
And in Jesus' name I come to you
To share his love as he told me to.

*He said 'Freely, freely you have received,
freely, freely give.
Go in my name, and because you believe
others will know that I live.*

All power is given in Jesus' name
in earth and heaven in Jesus name
And in Jesus' name I come to you
To share his power as he told me to.

God gives us life in Jesus' name
he lives in us in Jesus' name
And in Jesus' name I come to you
To share his peace as he told me to.

Final Recessional hymn:

Whatsoever you do to the least of my
brothers,
that you do unto me.
When I was hungry, you gave me to
eat;
When I was thirsty, you gave me to
drink.
Now enter into the home of My
Father.

Notices

*Figures for **1/12/24**: Gift Aid: £87,
Loose: £263.19, Attendance: 209

*1st Holy Communion Mass will be
on Saturday, 14th June, 2025 at 11am

for our school pupils. (*For those young
people not in St Margaret Mary School, 1st
Holy Communion will be on 15th June at
11am*)

***St Margaret Mary SVP**

Conference For the next two
Sundays of Advent II and III we
holding an appeal to raise funds for
Christmas hampers to give to needy
families in our parish. Please support
our appeal by leaving a cash donation
in the basket beneath the Christmas
tree. St Margaret Mary SVP Mob.
07704 146930 or emailing
stmargaretmary.svp@gmail.com

***Sycamore Course Autumn 2024**

Meetings take place in the Newman
Gallery in Church (upstairs) on
Wednesdays at 5.30pm – 6.30pm.
11/12 Forgiveness; 18/12 The
Mass

* Lourdes Pilgrimage 2025 in the Year of Jubilee
and Archbishop Bernard invites you to come on
this very special occasion in the life of the
Archdiocese: **Saturday 24 – Friday 30 May
2025** www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/lourdes.

*Pope Francis' Apostleship of Prayer for
December: For pilgrims of hope. *We pray that
this Jubilee Year strengthen our faith, helping us to
recognize the Risen Christ in our daily lives, and that it
may transform us into pilgrims of Christian hope.*

*Family Advent Rosary in the City
Saturday 14th December - Chamberlain Square
(by the Chamberlain Memorial fountain)
In the season of Advent we are calling all men,
women and children to come together and
publicly witness to their faith by praying a rosary
in the city and singing some Carols.
For more information contact Ben –
07885505116

Escorted Tour to Westport, Knock & Co Mayo, 10th March 2025. £799.00 pps. Price includes flight, 10kg hold luggage, 4 nights' in 4 Castlecourt Hotel, Westport with Dinner, Bed & Breakfast. Lunch on three days. All entertainment, excursions and transport included. Visit Knock, Galway City, Kylemore Abbey, Croagh Patrick, Ballintubber Abbey, Quiet Man Museum. Single supplement on Enquiry. Contact 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.

***Prayers for the departed:**

Justus Aghedo, Paul Shorters, Loi Mou Yau, Margaret Lloyd, John Cook, Tom Regan, Revd John Brownsell, Thomas Poku, Mandy Lane, Margaret Mary Drewett, Grazyna Juszkiewicz, Peter Duffy, John Ryan, Michael Cregan, Paul Pascal Fitzgerald, Ralph Joseph Lloyd, Joan Hargan, Innocent Obi, Mary Keogh, Patrick Murphy, Linda Smith, Ken Hunter, Jennifer Alexander, Mary Kingdom, Margaret Rose Murtagh, Catherine Boyle, Patrick McLoughlin RIP.

This week Sat, 7th 5.45pm Confessions. 6.30pm Vigil Mass, **Advent II** (Aidan Carney RIP.)

Sunday 8th December **ADVENT II** 9.30am Family Mass (Year 3/6). 11am Mass. *2nd Collection, Poor Parishes Fund.*

Monday, 9th **THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (transferred feast)**. 7.30am Mass (Virginia Sandall). 10.30am Funeral Requiem for Patrick Murphy RIP. 7pm Mass (Peter Dodds operation) & Padre Pio Prayer Group.

Tuesday, 10th 8.55am Rosary. 9.15am Mass (Joe Dodds RIP). 7pm Youth Club Christmas Biscuit making.

Wed, 11th 8.35am Adoration and Benediction. 9.15am Mass. 5.30pm Sycamore course in the Newman Gallery.

Friday, 13th St Lucy. 9.15am Mass (Private Intention). *7pm Carols, Mince Pies and Mulled Wine at 56 Woodlands Farm Road B24 OPG.*

Sat, 14th St John of the Cross. 5.45pm Confessions. 6.30pm Vigil Mass,

Advent III

Sunday 15th December **ADVENT III** 9.30am Mass . 11am Mass & Holy Baptism of Chidi Iyeh. **4pm Advent Meditative Service for Our Cluster, at St Margaret Mary Church 'Praying with the Psalms'.** Followed by parish party in the Presbytery.

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The parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham, Reg. Charity No. 234216 Working in a cluster with the Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham

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

Safeguarding: The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and National and Archdiocesan policies and

procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding

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