



The Newman Cluster

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Opening Hours: Mon-Fri 8.30am- 4pm

The Newman Cluster is a growing into a united Catholic community comprising the following places of worship

Christ the King ("CTK")
124 Warren Farm Road
Kingstanding
B44 0QN

Our Lady of the Assumption ("OLAM")
82 Old Oscott
Maryvale
B44 9SP

St Margaret Mary (SMM)
59 Perry Common Road
Perry Common
B23 7AB

Welcome to Mass on the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

Sat	30/05/26	Feria In Ordinary Time	11.45 CTK	Sacrament of Reconciliation
			12.00 CTK	Recitation of the Rosary
		Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity (Vigil Masses)	12.30 CTK	Arthur McKewon
			18.00 OLAM	Michael Deane
Sun	31/05/26	Solemnity of The Most Holy Trinity <i>Tea/Coffee & Polish Cake in the St John's Centre</i>	08.45 CTK	Sacrament of Reconciliation
			09.30 CTK	Kiflimariam Teklemariam (RIP)
			11:15 SMM	Leslie Anderson (RIP)
Mon	01/06/26	Memorial Of St Justin	07.30 SMM	Kitty Heaney (RIP)
			08.00 Con	Patrick, Jim & Winifred Byrne
			18.00 OLAM	Reception into Church for Michale Deane
Tue	02/06/26	Feria in Ordinary Time <i>MPS = Maryvale Catholic Primary School, Old Oscott Hill, Birmingham B44 9AG.</i>	09.30 MPS	For the people of the Parish
			10.45 SMM	Centenary Fair planning meeting
			11.30 OLAM	Requiem Mass for Michael Deane
			19.00 SMM	Youth Club Meetings of the Youth Club at SMM take place in the Newman Gallery
Wed	03/06/26	Memorial of Ss Charles Lwanga and Companions	08.00 Con	Richard O'Connor & the deceased members of the O'Connor family
			08.45 SMM	Adoration and Confession
			09.15 SMM	For the People of the Parish
			17.30 SMM	Sycamore:
Thur	04/06/26	Feria In Ordinary Time	18:30 CTK	Guild Room: SVP
			19.00 MH	Novena Mass for the Sacred Heart
Fri	05/06/26	Memorial of St Boniface <i>MH- the Sacred Heart Chapel at Maryvale House, Old Oscott Hill [next to MPS]</i>	09.00 CTK	Sheila Reilly (RIP)
			10.15 CTK	Reconciliation for the Confirmandi
			10.30 SMM	Requiem Mass for William Wright
			19.00 MH	Novena Mass for the Sacred Heart
Sat	06/06/26	Feria In Ordinary Time	11.45 CTK	Sacrament of Reconciliation
			12.00 CTK	Rosary
		Solemnity of The Most Holy Body And Blood Of Christ (Vigil Masses)	12.30 CTK	Anthony Gilbert
			18.00 OLAM	Margaret (Peggy) Costello
		<i>At the 12,30 PM Mass, the Sacrament of Confirmation will be conferred on children from Christ the King Catholic Primary School.</i>	19.00 MH	Novena Mass for the Sacred Heart.
			19.00	Centenary Dinner at St Francis Handsworth, 101 Hunters road, Birmingham B19 1EB
Sun	07/06 /26	Solemnity of The Most Holy Body And Blood Of Christ	09.30 CTK	Maeve Andronov
			11.15 SMM	Kathleen Smith (RIP)
			11.30 OLAM	Confirmation
			19.00 MH	Novena Mass for the Sacred Heart

Prayer of the Faithful

Fr Simon writes: The teacher asked the little child, 'what are you painting?' The child replied, 'God.' The teacher replied, 'You can't paint God, nobody knows what he looks like.' The child said, 'When I have finished this painting, you will know what he looks like!' This Sunday we celebrate Trinity Sunday and we know that, in that conversation both the teacher and the child are correct! You cannot portray God in words, art or music, but, nevertheless, God has been revealed as Trinity so that we can enter deep friendship with him. As Bishop David McGough once said, 'The Trinity is not a riddle to be solved, it is a life to be lived and shared.'

Sanctuary Lamp Dedication: The Sanctuary Lamp is dedicated throughout June at CTK to Constance Makombe for her 79th Birthday and OLAM is still available. Please contact the parish office should you wish to book.

Pray For the Sick: Paul Cowan, Gerald, John, Josephine Brown, John/Sandra Mageean, Sadie Pulido, Sarah McCallion, Claire/Mark, Carole Smith, Niamh O'Reilly, Jo Teece, Mary Ann Gniadkowski, Alberto Bolongaro, Kyle Billing, Nicola Jones, Patricia Nash, Joanne Fields, Caitlin Hodgetts, Joan Horton, Peggy O'Donovan, Pauline O'Brien, Elizabeth Teague, Christine Stephens, Margaret Coogan, Sadie Kennelly, Michael Deane, Peter Hadland, Margaret Head, Anne Cunningham and Anne O'Brien (Deacon Gary's mother).

Please pray for the recently departed: We offer our prayers for the repose of the souls of Michael Deane, *Chief Tabetamdo*, Eamonn Boylan, Zdzislaw Gorlewski, Kerry Volante, Anne Forrest Alan Horton, Eddie Walsh, Jennifer Harrison, Grazyna Grunau, Brenda Jones, Hughie Patricik Underwood, Val Lennon, Danny McCrossan, Peggy Jackman, John Murtagh, Michael Patrick O'Donoghue, Anthony Crear; Ruth Black, Michael Coffey, Fr. Osmond Aisbitt, Esther Hill, Margaret Greenleaf, Deacon Stephen O'Connor, Nola Murray, Edward Oliver Bailey, David Fitzsimons, Takii Mariam, Christopher Diggle, William Vincent Moloney, Alan Horton, Patricia Donnelly, Paul Walker (né Paul Brian Tovey), Prof. Judith Champ, Eugene Michael McNally, Michael Long, John Fleming, Nicola Vizard Howell, Christy O'Reilly, Henry Joseph Cunningham, Joan Ivory, Bridget Margaret Hynes, Kitty Woulfe, Lilian Fellows, Dot (Florence) Myles, Hugh McConway, Christopher Lyida, Ricky Winn and Margaret (Peggy) O'Donovan all of whom have recently died.

Forthcoming Funerals: Thomas Cunningham: Thomas will be received into church on 8th June at CTK at 4pm and his Requiem Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday 9th June at 11.30am. **Anne Forrest:** Anne will be received into SMM Church on Monday 15th June at 5pm and a Requiem mass will be celebrated on Tuesday 16th June at 11.30am. **May the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.**

Please pray also for those children who have been attending the parish First Holy Communion class on Sunday mornings. They will receive the Lord in Holy Communion for the first time on Sunday 14th June at the 09.30 Mass.

Masses in the Convent: We are very grateful to Bishop David who is always willing to celebrate a Mass at 08.00 on Mondays and Wednesdays whenever his diary permits. From time to time, it is not possible to provide Mass in the Convent. **We try to give as much notice as we can but please help the Parish Office by making sure that you put your telephone number on the Mass intention envelope so that we can contact you directly.** If Mass in the Convent must be cancelled, then any Mass intention set for it will be rescheduled.

Ministry of Sacristan: We are still seeking congregation members to ask themselves whether they can offer themselves for the role of Sacristan of CTK It is a role open to anyone over 16 years of age. Full training and induction will be given. Please email the parish office with your interest or speak with Deacon Gary

Bringing our Marian Devotions in May to a fitting conclusion: On 31st May, at the last Mass of the Marian month - May, we will sing the beloved Polish hymn *Black Madonna* ("Czarna Madonna"). The hymn honours Our Lady of Czestochowa, whose sacred icon is known as the "Black Madonna" because of the darkened image of Mary, treasured by Polish Catholics as a symbol of faith and protection. After Mass, everyone is warmly invited to stay for Polish cakes and refreshments

Thanks and Goodbye: This weekend we say goodbye to Sandra and her family who are relocating BACK TO Poland. On behalf of the Cluster, fr. Simon would like to thank Sandra for all her work in establishing the Polish Welfare Association and her service on the Parish Pastoral council.

The Ministry of Holy Communion at Sunday Vigil Masses: We need to expand the team of those who are available to assist with Holy Communion at the Masses n Saturdays. The Clergy will be approaching those who have either exercised this ministry previously or otherwise shown an interest but if anyone else wishes to step forward as well, please do so.

Liturgy of the Word for Trinity Sunday

1st Reading: Exodus 34:4b-6, 8-9 *The Lord, the Lord, a God merciful and gracious*

Responsorial Psalm: Dn 3:52.53.54.55.56. *To be praised and highly exalted for ever!*

2nd Reading: 2 Corinthians 13:11-14 *The grace of the Lord, Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit.*

Gospel Acclamation: *Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, the God who is and who was and who is to come.*

Gospel: John 3:16-18 *God sent his Son in order that the world might be saved through him.*

The Sacrament of Reconciliation in the Newman Cluster

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is offered before all Sunday Masses at CTK and OLAM and before the Wednesday Mass at SMM. A priest will be available from the stated time in the weekly calendar on the first page until 15 minutes before the start of Mass. The priest will not be able to hear any more confessions after that time because he will need to vest and says his preparatory prayers before Mass.

Cluster, Deanery and Diocesan Notices

CTK



OLAM



SMM – Ordinariate OLW



Last Week's Collection CTK

Loose	£ 323.47
Envelopes:	£ 129.00
S/O	£171.31
Total	£623.78
Mass Count	405

Last Week's Collection OLAM

Loose	£138.14
Envelopes	£ 98
S/O	£73.50
Total	£309.64
Mass Count	TBC

Last Weeks Collection

Loose	£TBC
Envelopes	£TBC
S/O	£ TBC
Total	£TBC
Mass Count	TBC

SMM: Welcome Centre at St Margaret Mary Church - construction of the new Welcome Centre at St Margaret Mary will commence on Tuesday, 26th May. For work to be carried out safely the usual entrance (south door) will be closed, so please use the West doors to enter church. Church will be open at the usual times (8am - 5pm) every day as normal. Please do not hesitate to call or email if you have any concerns or problems. Construction will last approximately 16 weeks.

SMM Centenary Dinner: Tickets are now available for the Centenary dinner on 6th June. Adults £15, Children £10, Please contact Christine Glasgow on cjanderson_2@hotmail.com or phone the parish office on 0121 3730988. Centenary Booklets available from the back of church. We are also looking for prizes that could be donated for the raffle, if you have anything you would like to donate please contact the parish office to arrange drop off.

SMM Primary School: St Margaret May's Primary School have a position that has become available for a Senior Administrative Officer. For further information please contact: Mrs J Logue, Headteacher — enquiry@stmgtmry.bham.sch.uk

Little Vinnies: Thanks to all who spoke to Theresa or Clare about supporting the SVP Stay and Play at OLAM last weekend. If anyone else wants to know more please speak to Deacon Gary or call 07548 937 287. To recap: Stay and Play is for adults to stay while babies and toddlers play. This wonderful and much needed group can be found at Maryvale Community Centre, Old Oscott Hill B44 every Friday in term time 09.00am – 11am. For as little as £1.00 per family you will receive a warm welcome along with refreshments and it is also a great way to socialise and meet with other parents and SVP members

SVP: Theresa Wilkin would like to share with you an overview of the data that was sent to the SVP office for this last financial year. They have requested a breakdown of our activities, visits and types of beneficiaries. Between our two conferences we were able to provide support to 108 individuals or families. We undertook 610 visits and we spent 1009

hours providing practical help and friendship in our local community. On behalf of all our members I would like to sincerely thank you for your ongoing support without which we would be unable to provide this necessary and valuable service.

CTK Tabletop Sale: Sunday 7th June there will be a summer tabletop sale in SJC 10.30am – 1pm. Free entry and lots of new and nearly new items from household, bric-a-brac and even brand-new Communion Dresses, come and grab yourself a bargain.

: Dates for your diaries

7 th June	SJC	CTK Tabletop Sale in SJC 10.30am – 1.00pm
14 th June	CTK	First Holy Communion for those who have been attending the Parish Catechism Class on Sunday mornings.
10 th July	SMM	Centenary Community Fair

Ministry in the Newman Cluster

Other Clergy in the Cluster

Assistant Priest: Fr Leonard Cox fr.leonard.cox@rcaob.org.uk
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Ministry of the Word and Extraordinary Ministry of Holy Communion for 30th/31st May 2026

CTK [12.30 pm]	OLAM [18.00]	CTK [09.30 am]	SMM [11.15 am]
Ministers of the Word	Ministers of the Word	Ministers of the Word	Ministers of the Word
Kathleen	Graham Green	Oscott	Laura
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
Sue	Paul and Barbara	Oscott	John

Ministry of Catechist: We need some extra support for the valuable work the Loretto and the Sisters do with our parish children who are not in Catholic Schools. This will require formation and training. For an initial discussion about what this vital ministry entails, please contact Loretto on 07732474470 or speak to any of the Parish Clergy.

Ministry of Sacristan: We are very grateful to Many and Alex who after a number of years of service have indicated that they wish to step back from being Sunday Sacristans. Their work has been much appreciated. We wish them joy in their retirement from liturgical ministry. At their suggestion, and Patience's as well, we would like to invite other members of the congregation to pray this and ask themselves whether they can offer themselves for this role. It is a role open to anyone over 16 years of age. Full training and induction will be given.

Ministry of Safeguarding: The Cluster operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and National and Archdiocesan policies and procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives in the Cluster are Caroline Gorman (CTK), Angela Hooker (OLAM) and Renata Olkowska (SMM). To report concerns or issues email Caroline on sg.christtheking.bham@rcaob.org.uk; Angela on sg.ol-assumption.bham@rcaob.org.uk and Renata on sg.margaret.mary.bham@rcaob.org.uk Alternatively concerns or issues can be reported to the Diocesan Safeguarding Team on 0121 230 6240 or safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk

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