

# WELCOME TO SAINT MARK'S CHURCH!

A warm welcome to our Parish Mass.

If you are new to St Mark's here are a few points to help you:

- ◆ Hymns are not announced but the hymn numbers are below right and on the 2 wall boards.
- ◆ You can follow the order of mass in the booklet (red or yellow dependent on which music setting we are using for the mass).
- ◆ The words of the first and second readings, the responsorial psalm and the Gospel are overleaf.
- ◆ If you are a confirmed member of the Church of England or in good standing with another Trinitarian denomination you are welcome to make your communion with us here today. If you are not confirmed but would like a blessing please carry the service booklet with you when you come up to the altar (the stewards will direct you).

Please join us after mass in the Parish Centre for refreshments and a chat!

**OUR FAN THE FLAME PRAYER:** *Heavenly Father, Your Son, Jesus Christ, promised the gift of Your Holy Spirit to encourage and inspire all those who call upon your Name. Rekindle with love and apostolic zeal those committed to 'Fan the Flame'. Stir up the gift they have received, and fill them with a new confidence to proclaim Your kingdom and a joy to Your service, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

## INTRODUCTION TO THE SCRIPTURE READINGS:

**First Reading:** Isaiah 25:6-10. The image of a banquet symbolises the blessings God has in store for His People

**Second Reading:** Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20. Paul tries not to depend on material things, but trusts in the Lord for what he needs

**Gospel:** Matthew 22:1-14. God is like a king who invites us to a banquet. Many refuse their invitation.

You will notice that the work to upgrade the lighting and install projectors & screens in church is underway. There is still time to make a donation towards the (*considerable*) cost of this work which we are still some way from covering. Many thanks to those who have already given. Please be generous.

## Upcoming Patronal Festivals:

- ◆ S. Luke's, Kingstanding, today, 6pm.
- ◆ All Saints, Small Heath, Sunday Oct 29th, 6pm.

\* Bishop Jonathan will be here next Sunday, October 22nd (4pm) for a Confirmation mass when Jane Moore will be Confirmed. Please hold Jane in your prayers as she prepares for this most important step in her Christian life. There will be no 10am Mass that day.

If you haven't yet put the dates of our **Fan the Flame Week** in your diary please do so: **Sunday Nov 19th to Thursday, Nov 23rd!!** The minibus will be running to ensure all are able to get here each evening. More details of what the week will entail to follow shortly. It is very important that you support this crucial event in the life of this parish church in its entirety.

## SAINT MARK'S CHURCH & PARISH CENTRE



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St. Mark's Church is affiliated to:



We are an Anglican Church within the diocese of Birmingham, the deanery of Handsworth and under the episcopal care of Jonathan, bishop of Ebbsfleet. ALL ARE WELCOME HERE!

### TODAY'S HYMNS: HYMNS OLD & NEW

INTROIT: 49 At the Lambs high feast we sing

GRADUAL: 141 Fill my house unto the fullest

OFFERTORY: 356 My God, and is thy table spread

COMMUNION: 243 In bread we bring you, Lord

RECESSIONAL: 572 Thy hand, O God, has guided

Mass setting: A Parish Mass, Peter Jones

### THIS WEEK'S MASSES: 28th Week of Ordinary Time.

Sunday Readings: Year a

Weekday Readings: Year 1;

Divine Office: Psalter Week 4

**Sun. 15th 10:00 PARISH MASS, 28th SUNDAY**

**Wed. 18th 12:00 S.LUKE, EVANGELIST, Feast.**

Thurs. 19th 09:30 Feria

Fri. 20th 12:00 Feria

Sat. 21st 10:00 Feria

**Sun. 22nd 16:00 \*PARISH MASS WITH  
CONFIRMATIONS (29TH SUNDAY)**

- Confessions by appointment with Fr Philip.