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Streaming of Services available on UTube — search St Annes Digbeth.

## Services & Intentions -

Saturday 11th Oct. 1.00.
Delia Stack. Pat Keevney.
Sunday 12th Oct. 12.00
People of the parish. Mary Horgan.

Saturday 18th. 1.00. Eddie Fitzpatrick

Sunday 19th. 12.00. Angelisa Perkins.

## Order of Service 12th Oct.

The Prayers & Readings as on the service sheet. Sung parts of the Mass include: Gloria, Psalm Response, Gospel Alleluia, Holy Holy, Lord's Prayer, Lamb of God.

Hymns-Music.

Opening. 21. All my hope on God is founded Offertory 257. Holy god we praise thy name Communion. 151. Eat this bread Closing. 140. Daily daily sing to Mary.

Our condolences to Detta Hill on the death of her mother, Mary Horgan, who died 30th September.

Mary's funeral will be held at St Dunstan's Church, Kings Heath

Reception into church on Monday 10th November at 6.00pm Funeral Mass on Tuesday 11th at 11.30 am.

## How the Catholic Church remembers children who died in the womb or in infancy and supports their parents

Baby loss touches more families than we might think. For example, around one in five pregnancies in England and Wales end in miscarriage. Yet many of these parents suffer in isolation. The opportunity for parents to hold their deceased baby, to name him or her and to mourn their loss can be a sacred moment. Sadly, this is not always possible, thus compounding the grief.

If you have experienced the loss of a baby, please be assured that the Church holds you in prayer and invites you to seek support in your parish community. The Church offers Funeral Masses to commend the souls of the departed to God's mercy and love. One form is for baptised children and the other form is for those who have not been baptised, including babies lost through miscarriage, stillbirth, or ectopic pregnancy. A common practice has also been to celebrate a Mass 'of the Angels' offered for the intention of the unborn.

We encourage parishes to make known that a Funeral Mass or an appropriate memorial service can be offered for a baby lost at any stage of pregnancy. This is not only a way of entrusting the child to God's loving care, but also a source of consolation and spiritual comfort for grieving parents.

## **Podcasts**

The Centre for the Art of Living and Dying Well, based at St Mary's University, produced two podcasts to mark Baby Loss Awareness Week in 2023. <u>Grieving The Loss of a Child</u> & <u>Still birth and Abigail's Footsteps</u>

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