

English Martyrs Church
Sparkhill, B11 3JN

17 May. 2026

Birmingham North & East Deanery.
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The parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese's policies and procedures at all times.

Services & Intentions

Sunday 17th May. 10.00. 7th of Easter.

Michael Raughter.

Mr. ME Connelly.

Sunday 24th. May. 10.00. Pentecost.

Vincent Mullooly. Bridget Mulhern.

Order of Service- as Missalette

Hymns/Music

Two toccatas on the Elevation. Frescobaldi.

240. Hail the day that sees him rise. VV 1 +2, +last.

239. Hail Redeemer, King divine.

300. Immaculate Mary. Vv 1-5.

This day in triumph, God the Son. JS Bach.

Last Sunday's church collection- £197.24

Confession. Available before/ after Mass by request.

Church Donations:

A Planned Giving Sheet is available on tables back of church- please complete and return asap.

Gift Aid Envelope Boxes available for those taxpayers who wish to donate weekly in church rather than by standing order.

Parish Fundraising Updates – see overleaf for Church Pontoon Summary

Parish World Cup Sweep

Everyone is invited to participate in the Parish World Cup Sweep 2026. There is a one-off entry fee of £5 for each team and in 2026 there are 48 teams in the World Cup finals for the first time. There will be a draw to decide who has which country when all the tickets have been sold and the competition starts on 11 June. We are hoping that the total amount raised will be £240 which will be shared equally between a church donation of £120.00 and prizemoney. Prizes will be:

Winner £50;

Runner-up £30;

Losing Semi-Finalists £15 each;

Worst team (lowest points, goal difference if tie) £10.

Parish 50-50 Club

Tickets for the Parish 50-50 club are £1 each or 6 for £5. There will be a monthly draw at the end of the month after mass. The first draw will be on 31 May As usual half the total money received will go to the Church and the half to the lucky winner.

Communications Sunday.

In his message for the 60th World Day of Social Communications, Pope Leo XIV highlights the importance of ensuring that technological innovation, particularly artificial intelligence, serves the human person rather than replacing or diminishing human dignity.

*Pope Leo XIV introduces his [Message](#) for the 60th World Day of Social Communications, which will be celebrated on **Sunday 17 May**, with a focus on digital communication and artificial intelligence, highlighting the need to protect human dignity in an age increasingly shaped by technological innovation. See more on diocesan website*

On Wednesday 20 May 2026 at 7pm, CAFOD, Missio, Aid to the Church in Need UK and Stella Maris – Apostleship of the Sea are joining together to host a unique online opportunity for the Catholic community of England and Wales to pray the Rosary 'for peace in our world'.

This is an online event so you need to join via the birminghamdiocese.org.uk website.

However, there is no reason why you couldn't pray the rosary yourself that evening for the intention. They will be praying from 7.00pm to midnight.

ENGLISH MARTYRS CHURCH PONTOON 2025-26**TOTAL MONEY RAISED £1760 (44 members X 40 weeks)****HALF TO PRIZEWINNERS HALF TO THE CHURCH****WHERE THE MONEY WENT**

			£
MAUREEN WALSH	Comp 2	£1.60	121.60
	Comp 7	£60.00	
	Comp 11	£60.00	
PATRICK CUNNINGHAM	Comp 4	£80.00	100.00
	Comp 5	£20.00	
EDDIE MAYSE	Comp 9	£80.00	86.00
	Comp 10	£6.00	
ANNE SWEENEY	Comp 1		80.00
TOM HOWELL	Comp 6		60.00
RUSSELL PEREIRA	Comp 10		60.00
ANN CORRIGAN	Comp 3	£26.66	34.66
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TOM BURKE	Comp 2	£20.00	28.00
	Comp 4	£8.00	
JOHN MURPHY	Comp 5	£20.00	28.00
	Comp 8	£8.00	
ROSARIA PEREIRA	Comp 3		26.66
FATHER BOB	Comp 3		26.66
ROB CARNEY	Comp 2	£20.00	26.00
	Comp 6	£6.00	
EAMONN MORAN	Comp 1	£8.00	24.00
	Comp 8	£16.00	
MICHAEL MULLOOLY	Comp 2	£20.00	21.60
	Comp 2	£1.60	
LIZ HARTEN	Comp 2		20.00
NATHALIE MARYTSCH	Comp 5		20.00
BRIDIE BURKE	Comp 5		20.00
STEPHEN SULLIVAN	Comp 2	£1.60	17.60
	Comp 8	£16.00	
MARY EGAN	Comp 8		16.00
MAURICIO SILVA	Comp 8		16.00
CAROLINE CARTER	Comp 8		16.00
DANNY O'REILLY	Comp 5		8.00
GERARD CONWAY	Comp 9		8.00
JAMES REGAN	Comp 7		6.00
MARY CRONNELLY	Comp 11		6.00
NIAMH HARRIS	Comp 2		1.60
ANN WALSH	Comp 2		1.60
			£
TOTAL PRIZEMONEY WON			880.00
TOTAL RAISED FOR CHURCH			880.00

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