



Sunday 15th February 2026

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CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION SERVICES – FEBRUARY

Sunday 15 February

10am

Sung Eucharist

4pm

Pause, Pray, Ponder, Praise Reflective Service

Monday 16 February

5pm

Evening Prayer

7.30pm

Prayer and Praise at Fr Mel's

Tuesday 17 February

5pm

Soul Food

5pm

Evening Prayer

Wednesday 18 February – ASH WEDNESDAY

10am

Midweek Eucharist with Ashes

5pm

Evening Prayer

Sunday 22 February

10am

Sung Eucharist

4pm

Memorial Service at ST MARY'S

**All are welcome to Morning Prayer at St Mary's at 8.30am
on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday this week.**

Pray for our sick and those who care for them: Evelyn, Pat Hughes, Chris Hemsley, Richard Hughes, Rev'd Beryl Pritchett, John Whitby, John Timmins, Brian and Jackie Wilson, Jayne Walker, Kerry, Brian and MU Members, especially the house bound.

We have started a new list of prayers for the sick in 2026 – if you would like someone added or readded then please email Lindsey.

Recently Departed: Wilfred Griffiths, Lurline Burrell.

Funeral Service and burial of Lurline Burrell Mthr Sarah is taking this service which will be held at St Mary's, Kingswinford on **Thursday 26th February at 11am.**

Baptism Preparation – Prayer for February

Father, thank You for being close to this family and like with David, sitting with them in their hardest times. We pray that You will bless them with the ability to come to You with their thoughts and feelings whether good or bad. Amen.

Prayers from the Children at Church of the Ascension School

- Dear God. Sorry for hurting my sister. **Amen.**
- Dear God. Thank you for my friends, family and the world. **Amen**

Please pray for the people that live in Oaklands Care Home in our parish and for the people who care for them.

A note for the diary from Fr Adam

As you'll know when I arrived, I was made Priest in Charge rather than your Vicar because of 'the living being suspended' for five years. In July, the five years is up and I will finally be installed as your Vicar (hurrah!). It'll also be five years since I arrived and so Archdeacon Nikki will come and install me as Vicar at a Special Choral Evensong at St Mary's on **Sunday 26 July at 4pm** followed by a party in the hall.

It would be great to have as many people from our various communities there so please mark it up now in your diaries 😊

Mainly Music Thank you to everyone who is supporting Mainly Music by making cakes. They are very much appreciated and enjoyed by everyone who comes along. There is a new rota to take us to the Easter break if anyone can fill a space it would be much appreciated



Pause, Pray, Ponder, Praise reflective service

A new reflective service is being held on the third Sunday of the month by Chris Knight **at Church of the Ascension.**

The next one will be held this Sunday 15th February at 4 pm. It will be a service when you will have time to just sit quietly with God. Everyone is welcome.

Prayer and Praise at Fr Mel's The next meeting will be at **7.30pm on Monday 16th February** at 14 Beech Tree Close. ALL welcome!

Ash Wednesday a note from Fr Adam Ash Wednesday falls on **18th February** this year. As I've said so many times this is a day of obligation where Christians are asked to make a special effort to come to church for the Eucharist and receive the imposition of ashes as we start our Lenten journey. There will be a **10am Eucharist at Church of the Ascension** and a **7.30pm Sung Eucharist at St Mary's** so two opportunities to join in at one of our churches that day.

Mthr Sarah will again be taking ashes out into the community on **Ash Wednesday**. If you would like to join her, please meet at **11.30am in Townsend Place, Kingswinford** as we offer the imposition of ashes and prayer at the start of lent.

St Mary's next Community Coffee Morning is on Thursday 26th February 10-12 ☕ ☕

THE CHURCH OF
ASCENSION

Tea Party

JOIN US FOR AN AFTERNOON OF FUN,
LAUGHTER AND LOTS OF CAKE!

TICKETED EVENT £5 EACH
Contact: Becky 07521739404



March
07
14:00 PM

Afternoon Tea with hot/cold drinks & light entertainment.
(Please make us aware of any Allergies or Dietary requirements.)

Hearts on Fire service

All are welcome to this contemporary, charismatic mass that is held on the second Sunday of the month **at St Mary's.**

The next service will be this Sunday 8th March at 4pm.

Come just as you are to worship.

Sunday 15th February - Sunday before Lent

Collect

Holy God, you know the disorder of our sinful lives:
set straight our crooked hearts, and bend our wills to love your goodness and your glory
in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Today's Readings

Exodus 24: 12-end

Psalm 2

2 Peter 1: 16-end

Matthew 17: 1-11

Post Communion

Holy God, we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ:
may we who are partakers at his table reflect his life in word and deed,
that all the world may know his power to change and save.
This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Parish Development

Over the next few weeks I want us to commit to praying for our parish development work. Especially our worshipping communities. This week we pray for our two Soul Food congregations:

Loving God, we thank you for all those who worship you at Soul Food. We thank you for the work of Chris and Sian who share their faith and gently encourage others to grow in love for you. We also give thanks for the times of fellowship over food and pray for the hands that prepare it. We pray that, as seeds of faith are planted, each person who has joined your church through Soul Food will want to learn more about you and come to know more fully the love you hold each one of them in. **Amen.**

Gluten Free Wafers

Whenever the Eucharist is celebrated gluten free wafers will be available.

Used stamps for The Beacon Centre Please remember to bring in any used stamps for us to send to this very worthy charity.