



SACRED HEART & ST CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA

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**Welcome to this House
of God:**
Talk to God before Mass
**Listen to God during
Mass**
Talk to others after Mass

Today's Mass Readings

2 Kings 5: 14-17;

Psalm 97;

2 Timothy 2: 8-13

Luke 17: 11-19

This Week 9th October – 16th October (Psalter Week 4)	Holy Mass & Services	Other Events
Sunday 9th October Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C Retiring Collection for CAFOD	8.30 am Alek Markowski RIP (EK) 10.30 am Christopher Mason RIP (MM) 6.00 pm People of the Parish	After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea in the Hall Piety Stall and Traidcraft unavailable.
Monday 10th October Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Holy Mass	
Tuesday 11th October Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Holy Mass	7.30 pm - 9.00 pm: The Big Picture
Wednesday 12th October Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Holy Mass	10.00 am - 9.00 pm: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Thursday 13th October Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Holy Mass	
Friday 14th October Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Holy Communion Service	
Saturday 15th October Memorial of St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin, Doctor of the Church	10.30 am Holy Rosary 11.00 am Holy Mass	10.15 am - 10.45 am: Confessions 11.00 am Anointing Mass
Sunday 16th October Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C Retiring Collection for the SVP	8.30 am Ann Breen (RO) 10.30 am Holy Mass 6.00 pm Mary Ryan (DR)	After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea, Piety and Traidcraft Stalls in the Hall 10.30 am: Children's Mass

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM

8.30 am & 10.30 am : The Lord has shown his salvation to the nations.

6.00 pm: Hymn no. 697: Sing a new song unto the Lord (201 light blue)

PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS

Ralph & Milly Arnold, Mary Arulandhu, Christopher and Mary Campbell-Johnston, Barbara Conway, Tia Cunningham, Bernadette Violet Duffy, Alan Francis, Natasha Hake, Louise Hill, Marie Hopkins, Julia Howles, Alan Hurst, Michael James, Mike Jennings, Billy Lydon, Eileen Kilminster, Mae McGregor, Jackie McLean, Rob O'Sullivan, Liz Prakash, John Price, Barbara Quigley, James Regan, Bob Shuck, Jacky Smith, Anne & Philip Smith, Pat Smith, Ann Turton, Jim Tustain, Mary Wallace, Mark Wightman, Sr. Lelia Wright, Brigid Yates and Fr. Tom's sisters (Bridgie & Maura).

CAFOD HARVEST FAST DAY

Harvest Fast Day was on Friday 7th October. Any donations to CAFOD will help to ensure more of our brothers and sisters have food to eat. Please support CAFOD this Harvest and continue to pray for a world where all can celebrate the richness of life. There are gift aid envelopes on the pews if you would like to use them for your donations. Thank you for your generosity.

ALEK MARKOWSKI RIP - MEMORIAL MASS

A Memorial Mass to celebrate the life of Alojzy Markowski will be held at the Sacred Heart Church on Saturday 29th October at 11am. Alek Markowski passed away on Friday 16th September. He had been in hospital for just over a week and had been expected to return home, but it seems this was not to happen. Please pray for the repose of Alek's soul and for his family members and friends. At Alek's request there will be refreshments for you in the hall after Mass. All are welcome.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: WEDNESDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER

Minutes are now available on the noticeboard. Please speak to Father Vincent or Jenny Leonard if you would like your own copy of the minutes sent to you.

SACRED HEART LADIES GROUP

WEDNESDAY 19TH OCTOBER 7.30 PM - 9.30 PM IN THE PARISH HALL

This month we are delighted to welcome a speaker from the Worcester Talk Group who is going to enlighten us about the Life and Times of Edward Elgar. This promises to be a fascinating and informative evening so we look forward to a 'full house'. Tea/coffee/biscuits will be available as well as the opportunity to catch up and have a chat with friends. As usual we are very pleased to welcome new faces so come along and enjoy the evening. You don't have to be a member.

BIG THANK YOU: CLENT HILLS SPONSORED WALK

I would like to say a big thank you to all those who supported and sponsored me to raise money for the SCJ Missions in India. If you promised to sponsor me but have not yet seen me to pay the money, please could any money be given to me or Brother Patrick SCJ. The total money raised to date is £595.00, with some more yet to come. THANK YOU. Fr. Vincent SCJ.

PARISH CHRISTMAS FAIR - 12 NOON SATURDAY 3RD DECEMBER

There will be a meeting for Stallholders and those with new ideas in the Romero Room between 8.30 am and 10.30 am Masses on Sunday 16th October. Do please come and contribute your ideas. On that day too we will start distributing raffle tickets after all Masses. This is by far the biggest earner of the event, so please take, and sell, as many as you can to make the event a financial success. As ever, would those able to contribute prizes please contact Mike or Joan Sherrard on 01905 779350 or email msherrard151mjs@yahoo.com? You will help make it a social success by being there on the day and meeting parishioners you know and those who attend other Masses!

JOURNEY IN FAITH: THE BIG PICTURE

The Big Picture will start on Tuesday 11th October at 7.30 pm in the Parish Hall. All are welcome to come to this first session. The first six sessions will be before Christmas, with the remainder in the New Year. Please come to the first group session even if you are going to meet with a friend/s in your own time. Here you can collect your study guide and DVD. The cost of the DVD is dependent on the numbers of participants and will be confirmed in due course. There is a flyer at the back of church. Please could you complete the form on the back and return it to Jackie McLean or Father Vincent by Friday 30th September if you are planning to attend.

SYRIAN REFUGEE KNITTING

Thank you so very much for the beautiful blankets and clothes recently donated. They were taken to the collection point last Saturday. The next consignment will be despatched on Saturday 5th November and collected from church on Friday 4th November. There is a vast quantity of wool in the porch to help defray costs: a big thank you to the people who donated it. Knit anything you wish, in any size, as the recipients range from babies to the elderly. Again thank you so much for your kindness.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

World Mission Sunday falls on Sunday 23rd October 2016. On this day the whole Church unites in an act of universal solidarity in prayer for its missionary activity and in collecting funds to support the Mission of the Church worldwide. Currently 40% of the Church is considered missionary. The World Mission Sunday collection supports the local Church where it is too young or poor to be self-sufficient.

2017 PARISH DIARIES

The 2017 Parish Diaries have arrived and are available to collect from the Narthex. The diaries are free, but any donations would be much appreciated.

JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY PRAYER

*Lord Jesus Christ,
you have taught us to
be merciful like the
heavenly Father and
have told us that
whoever sees you,
sees Him.*

*Lord Jesus Christ,
you are the visible
face of the invisible
Father, of the God
who manifests his
power above all by
forgiveness and
mercy: let the Church
be your visible face in
the world.*

*Send your spirit so
that the Jubilee of
Mercy may be a year
of grace from the Lord
and your Church, with
renewed enthusiasm,
may bring good news
to the poor, proclaim
liberty to captives and
the oppressed, and
restore sight to the
blind.*

*We ask this through
the intercession of
Mary, Mother of
Mercy. You live and
reign with the Father
and the Holy Spirit
forever and ever.
Amen.*

Main Collection:**£237.29****Gift Aid: £364.50****Mass Attendance****Last Sunday: 295****Thank you for
supporting your
Parish.****TARANTARA CHOIR**

The Tarantara Choir will be singing a selection of songs on Saturday 19th November at 8.00 pm at St. George's Catholic Church Hall. Tickets are £10.00, under 16 years are free and you can pay on the door. The proceeds will go to Friends of the Holy Land and Parishes for Peace to support Christians in the Holy Land and Iraqi Christian Refugees in Jordan.

**Next Sunday's Mass
Readings***Exodus 17: 8-13;**Psalm 120;**2 Timothy 3: 14 - 4: 2**Luke 18: 1-8***GOING INTO HOSPITAL**

Please do let the parish priest know if you are going into hospital. Furthermore, it is ESSENTIAL that you ask for the Catholic chaplain when in hospital. Chaplains are no longer automatically given the names of Catholic patients. Many health care providers (e.g. Hospitals, Nursing Homes, Mental Health Units) apportion resources for chaplaincy in line with how many requests are made, so you are actually doing the Church a favour by requesting the chaplaincy and sacraments whilst in hospital.

FOODBANK

The response to the recent wish list has been great. A new list of items is on the noticeboard and there is a collection box in the entrance to church if you would like to donate any items. Thank you for your generosity.

JOHN HENRY NEWMAN: A SAINT FOR THE MIDLANDS

Meeting Newman is a unique event being held in the Archdiocese of Birmingham. For one date only Newman University, Oscott College and the Maryvale Institute will be dedicated to hosting a speaker-led event, deepening your knowledge and awareness of this remarkable man's life, loves and inspirations. For a full experience of what this exhibition has to offer try and attend each speaker-led event, but if you can only manage one you won't be disappointed. Admission is free. Please see the poster on the noticeboard for details for further details and/or visit www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

40 Days for Life Birmingham will be holding their next campaign from 8.00 am until 8.00 pm every day until Sunday 6th November outside Marie Stopes abortion clinic, 4 Arthur Road, Edgbaston, B15 2UL. Please contact Isabel Vaughan-Spice on 07773 501921 or izzyvs@gmail.com if you are planning to attend. There is a Kick Off Event on Sunday 25th September at 3.00 pm in the Upper Cloister Room at Birmingham Oratory, 141 Hagley Road, B16 8UE. For further details please see the poster and flyers at the back of church.

NEWMAN ASSOCIATION - WORCESTER CIRCLE

A talk on Dante's *Inferno* will be given by the Revd. Canon Christopher Pullin on Thursday 20th October at 7.30 pm at St George's Parish Hall, Worcester. All are welcome. Non members £3.00.

ST. RICHARD'S HOSPICE - FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Please see the flyers at the back of church for details of forthcoming fundraising events in aid of St. Richard's Hospice. St. Richard's Hospice provides free specialist palliative care for patients living with life-limiting illnesses and supports their families. Each year the hospice team supports over 2,500 patients and family members in Worcestershire with compassion, kindness, dignity and respect. St. Richard's Hospice is an independent charity and is grateful for all donations to help it to continue its work. As well as the fundraising events there are also flyers with details of the Lights of Love events where you can dedicate a light in memory of someone you love.