



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

Exodus 17: 8-13;

Psalms 120;

2 Timothy 3: 14 - 4: 2

Luke 18: 1-8

This Week 16th October – 23rd October (Psalter Week 1)	Holy Mass & Services	Other Events
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 People of the Parish 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
Monday 17th October Memorial of St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop, Martyr	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Holy Mass	12.30 pm - 2.30 pm: Community Meal 10.00 am - 12.45 pm: Church visit
Tuesday 18th October Feast of St. Luke, Evangelist	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Ints of P & C Ingram (P & CI)	7.00 pm: Choir Practice 7.30 pm - 9.00 pm: The Big Picture
Wednesday 19th 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 7.30 pm: Sacred Heart Ladies Group
Thursday 20th October Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Holy Mass	10.30 am - 12.45 pm: Church visit
Friday 21st October Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Holy Mass	
Saturday 22nd October Feria in Ordinary Time	10.30 am Holy Rosary 11.00 am Thomas Manion RIP (SM)	10.15 am - 10.45 am: Confessions
Sunday 23rd October Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C Retiring Collection for World Mission Sunday	8.30 am Patrick & Nessa Cruise RIP (ER) 10.30 am Dmytro Major (A & PC) 6.00 pm People of the Parish	After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea in the Hall Piety Stall and Traidcraft unavailable. 12 Noon: Baptism

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM

8.30 am: Our help is in the name of the Lord who
made heaven and earth.

10.30 am: My help comes from God who made heaven and
earth.

6.00 pm: I lift up mine eyes, O I lift up mine eyes, I lift up mine
eyes to the Lord. From whence shall come my help?
From whence shall come my help? I lift up mine eyes
to the Lord.

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).

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY - 16TH OCTOBER 2016

Next Sunday, the Holy Father invites all Catholics to contribute to a special
collection for Missio, his official charity for overseas mission. World Mission
Sunday is a special day that unites Catholics all over the world in prayer,
celebration and care for the mission of the Church. By supporting World
Mission Sunday, you are directly helping missionaries in Rwanda and around
the world to heal the broken-hearted. You will be able to Gift Aid all
donations by using envelopes provided by Missio. Thank you.

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. At Alek's
request there will be refreshments for you in the hall after Mass. All are
welcome.

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.

JOURNEY IN FAITH: THE BIG PICTURE

The Big Picture has started and will continue every Tuesday evening at 7.30
pm in the Parish Hall. If you missed the first session, you are still more than
welcome to join the group. Please speak to Jackie McLean or Father
Vincent if you are interested.

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.

PARISH CHRISTMAS FAIR - 12 NOON SATURDAY 3RD DECEMBER

Today, 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. Do please come and contribute your ideas. We will also start to distribute 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!

HOLY COMMUNION SERVICES

Fr. Vincent will be away from Wednesday 2nd November until Tuesday 22nd November to attend the Regional Chapter meeting of the Sacred Heart Order. In his absence there will be Holy Communion Services on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Are any Eucharistic Ministers willing to lead these Holy Communion Services? If you are able to help, please forward your name, dates that you are available and contact details to Kate Dalglish, either via email to sacredheartdroitwich@hotmail.co.uk or on 01905 773258. A rota will then be arranged. Many thanks.

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.

WEDNESDAY ADORATION

This November the weekly Wednesday Adoration will, by God's grace, have reached 5 years. This is also as a result of the very loyal and dedicated pledged adorers and visitors. Heartfelt thanks for all your support and prayers. God shows this tremendous love in being present among us in the small consecrated Host in the monstrance. It would be fitting if this devotion could continue in the Parish. We do struggle to have people visit the Lady Chapel at certain times and particularly in the afternoon. If anyone would be interested in pledging to join the Adoration rota or go on a reserve list to visit, please contact Catherine Ingram on 01905 778053. All are welcome to visit the Chapel at any time from 9.00 am until 10.00 pm. Thank you.

50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE 1967 ABORTION ACT

The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children and the Union of Catholic Mothers are working to commemorate the lives of unborn children lost by abortion since the passing of the 1967 Abortion Act. At all Masses on Sunday 22nd October, you will be invited to complete a postcard asking your MP to act to protect unborn babies. Please support this initiative which gives us an opportunity to make our voices heard on behalf of unborn children.

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.*

CHOIR PRACTICE

The next choir
practice is on
Tuesday 18th
October at 7.00 pm.
New members are
always welcome if
you would like to join
us. ³

Main Collection:

£259.55

Gift Aid: £194.00

Mass Attendance

Last Sunday: 276

**Thank you for
supporting your
Parish.**

**Last week's retiring
collection for**

**CAFOD raised:
£517.67**

**Thank you for your
generosity.**

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

*Ecclesiasticus 35: 12-14,
16-19;*

Psalms 32;

2 Timothy 4: 6-8, 16-18

Luke 18: 9-14

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. 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 - LIGHTS OF LOVE SERVICE

Once again this year within Churches Together we are hosting a special ecumenical service, Lights of Love, dedicated to those who have died and gone to rest with the Lord. Everyone in our parish who has lost a loved one is welcome to dedicate a light of love on Tuesday 22nd November at 6.00 pm. Refreshments will be available afterwards in our parish hall. This is one of many Lights of Love services across Worcestershire, please check the noticeboard for detail of the others. These services are free to attend and open to everyone. 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. Please see the flyers at the back of church for details of forthcoming fundraising events in aid of St. Richard's Hospice.

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