



## 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 Maccabees 7: 1-2, 9-14;*  
*Psalm 16;*  
*2 Thessalonians 2: 16 - 3: 5*  
*Luke 20: 27-38*

<b>This Week</b> <b>6th November – 13th November</b> <b>(Psalter Week 4)</b>	<b>Holy Mass &amp; Services</b>	<b>Other Events</b>
<b>Sunday 6th November</b> <b>Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary</b> <b>Time</b> <b>Year C</b> Retiring Collection for the Johnson Association	8.30 am People of the Parish 10.30 am Lawrence Beesley RIP (JB) 6.00 pm John Weaver RIP (MW)	After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea in the Hall Piety Stall and Traidcraft unavailable.
<b>Monday 7th November</b> Feria in Ordinary Time	<b>9.00 am Morning Prayer</b> <b>9.15 am Holy Communion Service</b>	
<b>Tuesday 8th November</b> Feria in Ordinary Time	<b>9.00 am Morning Prayer</b> 9.15 am Joe & Ann Wright (JJ)	10.00 am - 12.45 pm: Church Tour 7.30 pm: The Big Picture
<b>Wednesday 9th November</b> Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica	<b>9.00 am Morning Prayer</b> <b>9.15 am Holy Communion Service</b>	<b>10.00 am - 9.00 pm: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</b>
<b>Thursday 10th November</b> Memorial of St. Leo the Great, Pope, Doctor of the Church	<b>9.00 am Morning Prayer</b> 9.15 am Henry Maritin RIP (PF)	
<b>Friday 11th November</b> Memorial of St. Martin of Tours, Bishop	<b>9.00 am Morning Prayer</b> <b>9.15 am Holy Communion Service</b>	
<b>Saturday 12th November</b> Memorial of St. Josaphat, Bishop, Martyr	<b>10.30 am Holy Rosary</b> 11.00 am Pat Doran (PD)	
<b>Sunday 13th November</b> <b>Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary</b> <b>Time</b> <b>Year C</b> <b>REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY</b>	8.30 am Holy Mass 10.30 am People of the Parish 6.00 pm Holy Mass	After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea, Piety and Traidcraft Stalls in the Hall

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REPRESENTATIVES**

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**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

8.30 am, 10.30 am & 6.00 pm:

**I shall be filled, when I awake with the sight of your  
glory O Lord.**

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**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).

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**NOVEMBER : MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS**

In November we remember and pray especially for those who have died. At the back of church there are "In Remembrance" sheets. If you would like to remember in this special way loved ones who have died, write down their names, place the sheet in one of the envelopes provided and put it in the Holy Souls Box (**do not put any money in the envelope**). The Holy Souls Box will be placed near the altar at each Mass in November. It is a good time to offer the sacrifice of Mass for a loved one in November and also someone you know who is in need or close to you. There are Mass Intention Request envelopes available in the Narthex if you wish to have Mass offered for deceased relatives and friends.

**FATHER VINCENT**

Father Vincent is away until Tuesday 22nd November to attend the Regional Chapter meeting of the Sacred Heart Order. During this period there will be Holy Communion Services on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. In Father Vincent's absence please speak to Father Brian Boyle for any spiritual matters. For anything else, including Mass Intentions, please contact Kate Dalglish at sacredheartdroitwich@hotmail.co.uk or on 01905 773258.

**NEW PARISH WEBSITE**

The new parish website is now up, alive – and kicking! You can find it at [www.sacredheartdroitwich.org.uk](http://www.sacredheartdroitwich.org.uk). You will recognise some features from the old website and many new ones. For example newsletters/bulletins are now on the website, events are listed – so please feed in to us anything you are planning. You will recognise many of the photographs and the history of the church. These have been supplemented with some new photographs. Details on Parish Groups have been updated and added to. The aim has been to make the site more informative for parishioners as well as giving more useful information to those wishing to visit the church or join the parish. If you can think of any improvements, additions or updates, please feed them in to the Webmaster, Fr Vincent or the Parish Secretary (follow "Links"). The intention is to try and keep the site alive and fresh, so your input on updates is needed. We now also have a Facebook and Twitter presence for those wishing to follow their own group interactions.

## CHRISTMAS ITEMS ON THE TRAIDCRAFT STALL

We have a terrific range of Christmas cards this year: colourful, reasonable prices, nearly all Christian. There are also Advent Calendars, with or without chocolate, many food and gift items you may not have seen before and catalogues for you to browse. Remember that there are no postal charges when ordering from the stall. The stall is open next Sunday and then alternate Sundays.

## PARISH CHRISTMAS FAIR - SATURDAY 3RD DECEMBER AT 12 NOON

Raffle tickets are now on sale. 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. If you are able to contribute raffle prizes or are willing to volunteer to be a stallholder or help set up/clear away, please contact Mike or Joan Sherrard on 01905 779350 or email msherrard151mjs@yahoo.com. You can help make it a social success by being there on the day and meeting parishioners you know and those who attend other Masses!

## TEA/COFFEE ROTA

This rota ensures someone is in the kitchen to make the cuppa after 8.30 am and 10.30 am Masses! Would you like to join please? The turn comes round every 7 weeks for both Masses. More people = longer gaps between turns!

## BIDDING PRAYER ROTA

Sorry to say this but it is that time of year again! If anyone is willing to join this rota please speak to Fr. Vincent or Kate, our parish secretary. If more people joined, it would be appreciated as it would lessen the load. At the moment each person or couple on the rota takes a turn every 6 weeks.

## SACRED HEART LADIES GROUP

### WEDNESDAY 16TH NOVEMBER 7.30 PM - 9.30 PM IN THE PARISH HALL

The title for this month's talk is 'A Personal Pilgrimage' and we are very happy to welcome back Vince Williams who is going to talk to us and explain all about his amazing climb on K2. With K2 being second only to Mt. Everest, this is sure to be a fascinating and informative evening. As usual the meeting starts at 7.30 pm and finishes at 9.30 pm. Refreshments as well as time for a little chat are also included! All are welcome.

## 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.

## 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:**

**£248.11**

**Gift Aid: £230.00**

**Mass Attendance**

**Last Sunday: 308**

**Thank you for  
supporting your  
Parish.**

### **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.



### **Next Sunday's Mass Readings**

*Malachi 3: 19-20;*

*Psalms 97;*

*2 Thessalonians 3:  
7 - 12*

*Luke 21: 5-19*

### **READERS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

There is a new rota available for the period from Sunday 11th December 2016 until Sunday 1st January 2017 that has been distributed via email. A few copies are available at the back of church for those who are not on the distribution list. There are a few places marked TBC: please contact Kate Dalglish if you are able to help cover these or if there are any other problems. If you are unable to take your turn on the rota, please arrange to swap with someone else. Many thanks.

### **ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM PERMANENT DIACONATE**

The Archdiocese wishes to give greater publicity to the Permanent Diaconate in the life of the Church and has produced a leaflet summarising the main features of the Permanent Diaconate. This also gives information regarding the procedure for prospective candidates, who believe they may have a calling, to apply for formation in the Archdiocese. Copies are available at the back of Church and your prayers are requested for more vocations to this Ministry.

### **SACRED HEART 200 CLUB OCTOBER 2016 DRAW**

1st prize	£75	No. 111	Droitwich Catenian Association
2nd prize	£50	No. 14	J. Xuereb
3rd prize	£25	No. 21	P. Bell

Number of tickets sold: 198. More members are still required. Please support your parish and buy a ticket. Application forms are on the shelf at the back of church. Thank you.

### **FOODBANK - APPEAL FOR VOLUNTEERS**

Since the Foodbank began work in 2014 we have been relying on the help given by our team of Volunteers, without whom we could not serve the families in crisis who come to us. It is true to say Volunteers are the life-blood of Foodbank. However, while the number of clients has grown, the number of our volunteers no longer matches the need and we would welcome more volunteers to help in meeting and serving clients in the Foodbank Centre or in packing and sorting food in our warehouse. Can you spare 3 hours once or twice a month to help out in one of these places? You would be working with support and help from a very friendly team and would make many new friends while doing a very worthwhile job. For further details, please see the letter on the noticeboard at the back of church.

### **INVITATION TO THE DROITWICH SPA MEETING CENTRE FIRST ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION – “EMBEDDING THIS INTO OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY” - ON FRIDAY 25TH NOVEMBER**

You are invited to join us at the Community Centre, Heritage Way, Droitwich on Friday 25th November from 1.30 pm until 3.00 pm. At this you will be able to hear at first hand from members of the Centre about their experience of the Centre over the first year and also consider how this valuable service can be embedded in the local community and continue as a long term sustainable service. If you are able to come along please email [dementia@worc.ac.uk](mailto:dementia@worc.ac.uk) to confirm by Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November so we have an indication of numbers for refreshments. Please see the poster on the noticeboard for full details.

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