



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

Malachi 3: 19-20;
Psalm 97;
2 Thessalonians 3: 7 - 12
Luke 21: 5-19

This Week 13th November – 20th November (Psalter Week 1)	Holy Mass & Services	Other Events
Sunday 13th November Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY	8.30 am John & Catherine Lawless RIP (SD) 10.30 am Margaret Harding (MM) 6.00 pm People of the Parish	After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea, Piety and Traidcraft Stalls in the Hall
Monday 14th November Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Holy Communion Service	12.30 pm - 2.30pm: Community Meal
Tuesday 15th November Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Paul Harding (MM)	7.00 pm: Choir Practice 7.30 pm: The Big Picture
Wednesday 16th November Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Holy Communion Service	10.00 am - 9.00 pm: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Thursday 17th November Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Margaret & Ray Robinson RIP (MR)	
Friday 18th November Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Holy Communion Service	
Saturday 19th November Feria in Ordinary Time	10.30 am Holy Rosary 11.00 am Kathleen Widdop (PD)	
Sunday 20th November Solemnity of Christ the King Year C Retiring Collection for Catholic Youth Services	8.30 am Vincenza Eaton RIP (MF) 10.30 am People of the Parish 6.00 pm Holy Mass	After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea in the Hall Piety Stall and Traidcraft unavailable. 10.30 am: Children Leading Mass

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM

8.30 am & 10.30 am: The Lord comes to rule the peoples with
fairness.

6.00 pm: Sing a new song to the Lord: sing to the Lord all the
earth.

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, Paul Harding, 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).

RECENT DEAD

Your prayers are asked for **Maureen Powles** who died recently. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Arrangement are yet to be finalised and will be announced in due course. Please also remember her family members in your kind thoughts and prayers.

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.

NATIONAL YOUTH SUNDAY - 20TH NOVEMBER 2016

On National Youth Sunday, the children will be leading the 10.30 am Mass. There will also be a retiring collection for Catholic Youth Services. The Kenelm Youth Trust has been established by the Archdiocese of Birmingham to oversee and bring together the wide variety of youth work that is undertaken in various settings throughout the Archdiocese. Please support the work of the KYT, our Diocesan Youth Service in the retiring collection. There are posters and flyers at the back of church with details of KYT events.

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!

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.

FLOWER GROUP APPEAL

The Sacred Heart Flower group would like to welcome new members. Do you want to arrange lovely flowers to be displayed in our beautiful church? The parish has a small budget to pay for the flowers so it costs you nothing and you get the opportunity to arrange several times a year and to join in with group sessions at Christmas and Easter. You can be a beginner or experienced flower arranger: we can accommodate all levels of enthusiasm. We sometimes work on our own or with a friend from the group. We will be producing the rota for next year in the next few weeks so if you are interested in joining our group please contact the parish office, Father Vincent or Kate Dalgleish on 01905 773258. We look forward to hearing from you.

CHRISTMAS ITEMS ON THE TRADCRAFT STALL

The Traidcraft stall is open after Mass this morning. As a change from routine, the stall will be open on consecutive Sundays: Sunday 27th November, Sunday 4th December and Sunday 11th December. 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.

NEW PARISH WEBSITE

The new parish website is now up, alive – and kicking! You can find it at www.sacredhearthdroitwich.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. 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.

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. If you require a paper copy or if there are any problems please contact Kate Dalgleish. If you are unable to take your turn on the rota, please arrange to swap with someone else. Many thanks.

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 15th November at 7.00 pm. New members are always welcome if you would like to join us. Choir practices for December will be announced in due course.

Main Collection:**£248.21****Gift Aid: £290.00****Mass Attendance****Last Sunday: 303****Thank you for
supporting your
Parish.****Last week's retiring
collection for
the Johnson****Association raised:
£229.68****Gift Aid: £105.00****Thank you for your
generosity.****SYRIAN REFUGEES
UNDERWEAR
APPEAL**

Thank you to all who contributed to this appeal, your response as usual was magnificent and so heart warming. If anyone missed the appeal items can also be sent along with the monthly knitting collection, as the need is so desperate.

**Next Sunday's Mass
Readings***2 Samuel 5: 1-3;**Psalms 121;**Colossians 1: 12-20**Luke 23: 35-43***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.

FOODBANK - NEW WISH LIST AND APPEAL FOR VOLUNTEERS

A new wish list is on the noticeboard. Please note the deadline of Friday 2nd December for any items that are Christmas specific. There is a collection box in the entrance to church if you would like to donate any items. Thank you for your generosity. Since the Foodbank began work in 2014, they have been relying on the help given by their team of Volunteers. While the number of clients has grown, the number of volunteers no longer matches the need and they would welcome more volunteers. Can you spare 3 hours once or twice a month to help? For further details and an application form, please see the letter on the noticeboard at the back of church.

CHARITY KNITTING

Many thanks for the beautiful items donated this month, they will be so gratefully received by the children and adults in the camps particularly with the onset of winter. Wool, knitting needles, patterns and some buttons are available in the porch to defray costs. Donations of the same can be deposited there. The next collection will be on Friday 2nd December. If anyone would like to help, please knit anything you feel will help the refugees stave off the cold. Again thank you so much for the care and thought which has gone into the exquisite items knitted.

NEWMAN ASSOCIATION - WORCESTER CIRCLE

A talk on Gunpowder, Treason and Plot: the Gunpowder Plot, 1605 will be given by Kevin Down on Thursday 17th November at 7.30 pm at St George's Parish Hall, Worcester. All are welcome. Non members £3.00.

ORDER OF MALTA - LOURDES PILGRIMAGE

The Order of Malta will be holding their one week pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady in Lourdes from Friday 5th May 2017 until Thursday 11th May 2017. It is a religious Pilgrimage and, as all pilgrims will be staying in a hospital and not in a hotel, the number of places is limited to 60. For further details, please see the poster on the noticeboard and/or contact Duncan McKechnie on 07990 594441 or secretarytohospitalpilgrims@gmail.com.