



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

Isaiah 58: 7-10;
Psalms 111;
1 Corinthians 2: 1-5
Matthew 5: 13-16

This Week 5th February – 12th February (Psalter Week 1)	Holy Mass & Services	Other Events
Sunday 5th February Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A Retiring Collection for Pro-Life	8.30 am Rosemary Martin - sick (MO) 10.30 am People of the Parish 6.00 pm Holy Mass	After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea in the Hall. Traidcraft & Piety Stalls in the Hall 10.30 am First Holy Communion Commitment Mass
Monday 6th February Memorial of St. Paul Miki, & Companions, Martyrs	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Frank & Joan Patterson (MJ)	12.30 pm - 2.30 pm: Community Meal
Tuesday 7th February Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Lisa Saili - sick (NO)	
Wednesday 8th February 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 9th February Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Holy Mass	
Friday 10th February Memorial of St. Scholastica, Virgin	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Holy Mass	12 Noon: Interment of Ashes
Saturday 11th February Feria in Ordinary Time	10.30 am Holy Rosary 11.00 am Jean Connors (MM)	10.15 - 10.45 am: Confessions
Sunday 12th February Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A Retiring Collection for Racial Justice	8.30 am Ann Hickey (MT) 10.30 am People of the Parish 6.00 pm Holy Mass	After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea in the Hall. Traidcraft & Piety Stalls unavailable.

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SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVES

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM

8.30 am: The good man is a light in the darkness for the upright.
10.30 am: And he will raise you up on eagles' wings, bear you on the breath of dawn, make you to shine like the sun and hold you in the palm of his hand.
6.00 pm: The good man is a light in the darkness for the upright.

PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS

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

RECENT DEAD

Your prayers are asked for **John Price** who died recently. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Please also remember his family members and friends in your kind thoughts and prayers.

SECOND COLLECTION FOR PRO-LIFE

Today is the annual Archdiocese of Birmingham second collection for Pro-Life. It is an exciting time for Life as they implement their new forward plan and the development of their Pregnancy Matters and Life Matters services. All monies raised will be spent in the Archdiocese to give practical and emotional support to women, men and their families who feel their only way is abortion as we provide a better way making it possible for women to keep their babies and make abortion a thing of the past. If you would like to find out more about the work of Life within the Archdiocese of Birmingham, please contact Beckie Reeves, the Lifelink manager, on 01926 312272 or email beckiereeves@lifecharity.org.uk. There are leaflets and posters at the back of church with further information.

HELP REQUIRED

Accommodation is needed for a mother and her two children who are in danger of losing their home. Is anyone in the parish able to help or, if not, do you know anyone who may be able to help this family to rent a house and/or store their possessions? Please speak to Father Vincent SCJ if you are able to offer any assistance. Many thanks.

RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY - SECOND COLLECTION

The second collection for Racial Justice was moved by the Bishops' Conference from Sunday 22nd January to Sunday 12th February. Some gift aid envelopes for Racial Justice have already been donated. These will be kept until Sunday 12th February and added to any second collection donations received on that day.

THEFTS

There have been a number of thefts at the Sacred Heart Church in recent weeks. Thieves have targeted both collection boxes and an individual's possessions. Please could all parishioners be vigilant whilst in church and we advise that personal belongings are kept with you.

SACRED HEART LADIES GROUP

WEDNESDAY 15TH FEBRUARY 7.30 PM - 9.30 PM

The next meeting of the Sacred Heart Ladies Group will be on Wednesday 15th February from 7.30 pm until 9.30 pm in the Parish Hall. How often have we walked or driven past Norbury House and wondered what its history was before it became the Norbury Theatre and also the apartments? Well, thanks to this month's speaker we will have the answers. Therefore, we look forward to a full house as we sit back to be enlightened about the history of this notable building. As always we are very happy to welcome non-members, so why not come along and join us as we find out more about a place of historical interest that is just on our doorstep. Tea/coffee/biscuits will be available during the evening.

THE GIVING MACHINE - ONLINE SHOPPING

The Giving Machine donates commission to causes when purchases are made via The Giving Machine website at www.thegivingmachine.co.uk. There are a number of major retailers listed with the Giving Machine including Tesco, Waitrose, Amazon, Boots, Debenhams, Next and Argos. The Sacred Heart Church is now listed as a cause with The Giving Machine as **Sacred Heart & St. Catherine of Alexandria**. If purchases are made with retailers via The Giving Machine then commission is donated to the parish. An individual can nominate up to four different causes to benefit. Please see the posters in the noticeboard and the insert for further information and details of how to join as a giver.

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN WORCESTERSHIRE QUIET DAY:

CREATIVE SABBATH

Churches together in Worcestershire invite you to a Quiet Day, "*Creative Sabbath*", on Saturday 11th March at Droitwich Spa Methodist Church, Worcester Road from 10.00 am until 3.10 pm. The day will be led by Sr. Anna O'Connor. Tea and coffee are provided; please bring your own packed lunch. To book your place please contact Max Jourdier at mandcjourdier@gmail.com or on 01886 812259. Places are limited. The event is free, but donations of £5.00 towards the cost of the day would be welcome. For further details and to see the full programme for the day, please see the posters on the noticeboard.

LEGACY LEAFLET

The Diocese has made a new leaflet available to all 227 parishes to assist people who may want to consider leaving a legacy to the church. At the back of church you will find copies of the new leaflet. Please do take one and consider whether you, or someone you know, might wish to support the Church in this way. Thank you and God bless.

FACE2FACE

CONFERENCE

This conference is for young men aged 14 to 18 years. It takes place on Wednesday 5th April 2017 from 9.30 am until 5.30 pm at the National Motorcycle Museum. Entry is free; further details are on the poster on the noticeboard.

LOST KEY

A key was found on the upper car park after Sunday Masses on Sunday 22nd January. If you think this may be yours, please contact Kate Dalgleish on 01905 773258.

GIFT AID ANNUAL TAX REFUND

The annual Tax Refund for the 2015/2016 Tax Year has now been received by the parish. We received a refund of £8884.47 from Gift Aid donations and £1,245.00 from the Gift Aid Small Donation Scheme for loose money.

Main Collection:

£233.05

Gift Aid: £207.70

Mass Attendance

Last Sunday: 268

**Thank you for
supporting your
Parish.**

FOODBANK - NEW WISH LIST

A new wish list is on the noticeboard. There is a collection box in the entrance to church if you would like to donate any items. Thank you for your generosity.

THANK YOU

Father Hudson's have written to thank the Parish for the generous donations to their Christmas Present Collection. Please see the poster and letter on the noticeboard.



Next Sunday's Mass Readings

Ecclesiasticus 15: 16-20;

Psalms 118;

*1 Corinthians 2:
6-10*

Matthew 5: 17-37

PARISH RECIPE BOOK

If parishioners, families and friends could submit a favourite recipe or two, we'll collate them into a Sacred Heart Parish collection, have them bound into book form and offered for sale. All proceeds would go to Parish Funds. If you are willing, include your name or, if you prefer, a nom de plume so the source can be credited. A sentence or two describing where the recipe came from (e.g. Great Great Aunt Betty's Easter surprise, Cousin Jack's Children's Party standby) will add interest. Send by e-mail or hard copy to Joan & Mike Sherrard; e-mail msherrard151mjs@yahoo.com.

SACRED HEART 200 CLUB JANUARY 2017 DRAW

1st prize	£75	No. 35	T. Cree
2nd prize	£50	No. 224	M. Child
3rd prize	£25	No. 38	G. N. Lynam

Number of tickets sold: 196. Please support your parish! Application forms are on the shelf at the back of church.

PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK SHRINE

Knock Pilgrimages are offering a fully escorted 5 night Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland, leaving on Monday 24th April 2017. The price is £649 per person sharing. This price includes the flight from Birmingham with 15kg checked-in bag, all taxes, luxury transfers, 5 nights in the newly refurbished Knock House Hotel with full Irish Breakfast each morning and 4 Course Dinner each evening. All entertainment, excursions and guided tours are included. There are wheelchair accessible rooms in the hotel. Limited single rooms are available at a supplement of £50. Groups and Individual bookings welcome. Contact Patricia anytime at knockpilgrimages@gmail.com or on 07740 175557.

CRIB OFFERINGS

Friends of the Holy Land have written to thank all parishioners who contributed to the Crib offerings 2016. This letter is on the noticeboard if you would like to read it.

THE SOVEREIGN MILITARY HOSPITALLER ORDER OF SAINT JOHN OF JERUSALEM, OF RHODES AND OF MALTA

You are warmly invited to The Birmingham Lourdes Re-union at 11.00 am on Saturday 25th February 2017 at The Oratory, Hagley Road, Edgbaston, B16 8UE. Please see the poster on the noticeboard for further details.

Welcome to everyone at Mass today, especially if you are new to our church or haven't been to Mass for some time. If you are of another Christian denomination or non-Christian you are warmly invited to approach the priest or minister and ask or signify your wish for a blessing.