

Societas Presbyterorum Sacratissimi Cordis Jesu

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 Ecclesiasticus 15: 16-20; Psalm 118; 1 Corinthians 2: 6-10 Matthew 5: 17-37

This Week 12th February – 19th February (Psalter Week 2)	Holy Mass & Services	Other Events
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.
Monday 13th February Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Holy Mass	
Tuesday 14th February Feast of St. Cyril, Monk, & St. Methodius, Bishop	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Mary Bowditch (CB)	10.00 am: Installation of new PA sound system
Wednesday 15th February Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Pat & Meg Linthwaite RIP (S & BT)	10. 00 am - 9.00 pm: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Thursday 16th February Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Holy Mass	10.00 am: Installation of new PA sound system 2.00 pm: Liturgy Meeting
Friday 17th February Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am John Halpin RIP (C & PI)	
Saturday 18th February Feria in Ordinary Time	10.30 am Holy Rosary 11.00 am Ints. of Bob Turner (S & BT)	10.15 - 10.45 am: Confessions 11.00 am Anointing Mass
Sunday 19th February Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A	8.30 am Vincenza Eaton RIP (MF) 10.30 am Finola Cocks RIP (HF) 6.00 pm John Ryan (DR)	After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea in the Hall. Traidcraft & Piety Stalls in the Hall

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

SACRED HEART COMMUNITY

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SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVES

Gerry Ceclich Cynthia Sharkey

8.30 am, 10.30 am & 6.00pm:

They are happy who follow God's law!

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).

RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY - SECOND COLLECTION

Today there is a retiring collection for Racial Justice. Some gift aid envelopes for Racial Justice have already been donated. These will be added to any second collection donations received today.

PARISH CENSUS 2017

It is now several years since a parish census was completed. New census cards are now at the back of church. We would be grateful if **ALL** parishioners could complete these for parish records. In accordance with the Data Protection Act, these details will only be used by the parish and will not be forwarded on to third parties. All records are kept securely. Once completed, Census forms can either be returned to the Presbytery or placed in the box at the back of church.

THE BIG PICTURE

The Big Picture re-starts at 7.30 pm on Tuesday 28th February in the Parish Hall and will continue weekly until Tuesday 4th April.

PARISH LITURGY GROUP

There will be a liturgy group meeting on Thursday 16th February at 2.00 pm in the Elgar Room of the Parish Hall. Any member of the congregation who would like to attend would be very welcome; we value your input. Many thanks.

INSTALLATION OF NEW PA SOUND SYSTEM IN THE CHURCH

A new PA sound system will be installed in the Church on Tuesday 14th February at 10.00 am and Thursday 16th February at 10.00 am. The cost of replacing the existing PA sound system is approximately £5,000.00. To help cover the cost, during 2017 there will be two retiring collections for the new sound system.

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 i²you are able to offer any assistance. Many thanks.

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.

CHURCHES TOGETHER: LENT COURSE 2017 FOOD FOR THOUGHT

This course will run on Wednesday evenings at 7.30 pm, starting on Wednesday 8th March, at different venues in Droitwich. Each session will normally include some worship, a focus on a particular passage of scripture, a reflection on the theme and plenty of opportunity to discuss, question and enjoy fellowship together. The course will also run at St. Andrew's Parish Centre at 12 noon each Wednesday. For full details of the course and venues, please see the poster on the noticeboard.

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.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY - HELP PLEASE!

We are looking for a double buggy and clothes age 2-3 years for a two year old boy. If anyone can offer either of these items, please contact us on 0777 292 7535 or e-mail droitwichsvp@googlemail.com. Alternatively if you know one of our members, make contact through them. Thank you for your support.

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.

CELEBRATING A COMMUNITY OF SERVICE AND LOVE: FROM JOHN'S GOSPEL TO L'ARCHE

This lecture will take place from 2.00 pm until 4.30 pm on Sunday 26th February at Newman House, Birmingham University Catholic Chaplaincy, B15 3QS. The speaker is Prof. Thomas O'Loughlin (Father Tom) from Nottingham University. Please also see the poster on the noticeboard.

HUGH DALY

In September 2017, Hugh Daly will be cycling 300 miles in four days from Cork to Giant's Causeway in Ireland to raise money for Zoe's Place **Baby Hospice in** Coventry. If you would like to support Hugh by donating to Zoe's Place, please donate via Hugh's Just Giving page at www.justgiving.com/ fundraising/ Hugh-Daly1. To find out more about Zoe's **Place Baby Hospice** and the work that they do, their website is www.zoesplace.org.uk/ coventry.

YOUTH ALPHA COURSE

Main Collection: £265.04 Gift Aid: £439.00 Mass Attendance Last Sunday: 348 Thank you for supporting your Parish.

Last week's retiring collection for Pro-Life raised: £219.02 Gift Aid: £109.00 Thank you for your

generosity.

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.



Next Sunday's Mass Readings

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Leviticus 19: 1-2, 17-18; Psalm 102; 1 Corinthians 3: 16-23 Matthew 5: 38-48

There will be a Youth Alpha course starting at Amphlett House, Droitwich Methodist Church on Thursdays from 6.00 pm to 8.00 pm on Thursday 13th February. This course is for young people aged 11-18 years. If you know of anyone who would like to join or receive further information, please ask their parents/carers to contact Sarah Jessop (Church Family Worker) on 01905 774188 or email droitwichcfw@btinternet.com.

CHARITY KNITTING

Thank you so very much for the exquisite knitted items donated recently and the vast quantity of underwear. These are now en route to the co-ordinating warehouse for immediate despatch. If you wish to continue helping the collection boxes are available as you enter the church. Items to help with the knitting projects are available there and donations of the same would be gratefully received to help defray costs. The next consignment will be collected on Saturday 4th March. Again, thank you for the amazing support you continue to give the refugees.

CHRISTMAS CARDS TO PRISONERS

Prison Chaplain to Long Lartin, Deacon Peter Tibke, has written of his deep appreciation of our Christmas cards and other items sent during the year and what an impact these things have at Christmas time. His work is going well, and he will also be overseeing another prison soon; he suggests that our cards might also go there. Many thanks to all.



SAINSBURY'S ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHERS

St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Droitwich are collecting the

Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers and would be grateful for any vouchers parishioners are able to donate. Please could these be put in the box in the narthex. Vouchers donated to St. Joseph's in previous years have been put towards the purchase of cookery equipment for the new bungalow, football equipment and netball equipment. Many thanks for your generosity.

CHRISTIAN HEALING MINISTRY & LIFE PRAYER TRAINING COURSE

This training course takes place from Thursday 2nd March until Saturday 4th March and Thursday 22nd June until Saturday 24th June at Prior's Court, Hollow Lane, Staplow, Ledbury, HR8 1NQ. For further details of the course and how to book a place, please see the poster on the noticeboard.

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.

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