



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

This Week 19th February – 26th February (Psalter Week 3)	Holy Mass & Services	Other Events
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
Monday 20th February Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Donald Brooks RIP (PW)	12.30 pm - 2.30 pm: Community Meal 6.45 pm: Parish Hall Keyholders Meeting
Tuesday 21st February Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Holy Communion Service	
Wednesday 22nd February Feast of the Chair of St. Peter, Apostle	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Janet Cleote RIP (AM)	10.00 am - 9.00 pm: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 7.30 pm: Finance Committee Meeting
Thursday 23rd February Memorial of St. Polycarp, Bishop, Martyr	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Stephen Doran - sick (CS)	2.00 pm: Choir Practice
Friday 24th February Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Bridget Duffy (I & MM)	
Saturday 25th February Feria in Ordinary Time	10.30 am Holy Rosary 11.00 am Michael Wilson (JW)	10.15 - 10.45 am: Confessions
Sunday 26th February Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A Retiring Collection for the PA System	8.30 am People of the Parish 10.30 am Rowan Finch RIP (MM) 6.00 pm Holy Mass	After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea in the Hall. Traidcraft & Piety Stalls unavailable. 12 Noon: Baptisms

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM

8.30 am & 10.30 am: The Lord is compassion and love.

**6.00pm: My soul give thanks to the Lord; all my being bless
his holy name.**

PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS

Ralph & Milly Arnold, Mary Arulandhu, Adam Barnridge, Monica Campbell, 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).

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.

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.

LENTEN FAST DAY

CAFOD Lent Fast Day is Friday 10th March. Bishop Robert Byrne will be celebrating a CAFOD Lenten Fast Day Vigil Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, Redditch on Thursday 9th March at 7.00 pm. All are welcome at this Deanery event. The Sacred Heart choir has been asked to sing at this Mass.

WEDNESDAY ADORATION

Thank you to all the very loyal and dedicated pledged adorers and visitors. Please note that on Ash Wednesday, 1st March 2017, the evening Mass is at 7.30 pm and Adoration will end at 7.00 pm. We would welcome newcomers to join the Adoration rota or who are willing to go on a reserve list. Please contact Catherine Ingram on 01905 778053. Everyone is welcome to visit the chapel at any time during the usual times of 10.00 am until 9.00 pm. Thank you.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

40 Days for Life is the largest internationally coordinated pro-life mobilization in history. 40 Days for Life Birmingham will be holding their peaceful, prayerful vigil outside Marie Stopes abortion clinic, 4 Arthur Road, Edgbaston, B15 2UL from 8.00 am until 8.00 pm every day from Wednesday 1st March until Sunday 9th April. There will be a launch event *Spiritual Warfare Bootcamp* on Sunday 26th February from 2.30 pm until 4.00 pm at The Oratory, 141 Hagley Road, Birmingham, B16 8UE. For more information or to book a prayer slot, please contact Isabel on 07773 501721 or izzyvs@gmail.com and/or see the poster on the noticeboard.

PARISH RECIPE BOOK

To date we have received two recipes from parishioners, with a promise of a third. To make a book worthwhile we need many, many more! Should you wish to improve your diet or experiment with something new, please, please submit a Family favourite or two. Mike & Joan Sherrard (msherrard151mjs@yahoo.com).

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. All are welcome.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2017

The Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes is from Saturday 27th May until Friday 2nd June. The pastoral theme for all pilgrims to Lourdes for 2017 is *The Almighty has done great things for me!* Travel is either by coach or air. For further information or a booking form, please see the poster on the noticeboard or speak to Father Vincent. If there are any health professionals who would be interested in volunteering to serve the sick pilgrims, please speak to Father Vincent or contact the Pilgrimage Office on 0121 236 4585.

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.

SILVER WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Congratulations to Sally and Roger Rosinski who are celebrating their 25th Wedding Anniversary on Sunday 26th February. They will be renewing their marriage vows after the homily at the 8.30 am Mass on this day. Please pray for them.

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.zoes-place.org.uk/coventry.

Main Collection:

£324.21

Gift Aid: £283.00

Mass Attendance

Last Sunday: 295

**Thank you for
supporting your
Parish.**

**Last week's retiring
collection for
Racial Justice raised:
£164.41**

Gift Aid: £75.15
**Thank you for your
generosity.**

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.

Next Sunday's Mass Readings

Isaiah 49: 14-15;

Psalms 61;

*1 Corinthians 4:
1-5*

Matthew 6: 24-34

YOUTH ALPHA COURSE

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 2017
Eat well • Move well • Live well

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.