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## 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

*Acts 10: 34, 37-43;*  
*Psalms 117;*  
*Colossians 3: 1-4*  
*John 20: 1-9*

<b>This Week</b> <b>16th April - 23rd April</b> <b>(Easter Octave)</b>	<b>Holy Mass &amp; Services</b>	<b>Other Events</b>
<b>Sunday 16th April</b> <b>Solemnity of the Resurrection of the Lord</b> Easter Offering for the Parish Priest	8.30 am Holy Mass 10.30 am Holy Mass <b>No Evening Mass</b>	After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea in the Hall. Traidcraft & Piety Stalls in the Hall
<b>Monday 17th April</b> Easter Monday	10.00 am Gladys & Ann Kilbart & Elizabeth Hodges (CH)	
<b>Tuesday 18th April</b> Easter Tuesday	<b>9.00 am Morning Prayer</b> 9.15 am Stephen Doran (CS)	
<b>Wednesday 19th April</b> Easter Wednesday	<b>9.00 am Morning Prayer</b> 9.15 am Holy Mass	<b>10.00 am - 9.00 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</b>
<b>Thursday 20th April</b> Easter Thursday	<b>9.00 am Morning Prayer</b> 9.15 am Ints. of Iain & Marie Martin	
<b>Friday 21st April</b> Easter Friday	<b>9.00 am Morning Prayer</b> 9.15 am Danny McKay	2.30 pm: Funeral Service
<b>Saturday 22nd April</b> Easter Saturday	<b>10.30 am Holy Rosary</b> 11.00 am Frances & Ernie Veale & Family (DV)	<b>10.15 - 10.45 am: Confessions</b>
<b>Sunday 23rd April</b> <b>Second Sunday of Easter</b>	8.30 am Stephen & Johanna Colfer (FB) 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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**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

**8.30 am: This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad.**

**10.30 am: The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone, alleluia, alleluia, has become the corner stone.**

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**PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS**

Ralph & Milly Arnold, Mary Arulandhu, John Blackman, 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 sister, Maura.

**RECENT DEAD**

Your prayers are asked for **Brian Clarke** who died recently. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. There will be a Funeral Service for Brian Clarke at on Friday 21st April at 2.30 pm. Please also remember his family members and friends in your kind thoughts and prayers.

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**READERS & MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST**

New Readers and Ministers of the Eucharist are being recruited for our parish. If anyone would like to serve as a Minister of the Eucharist or would like to read the Scriptures for Sunday Masses, please speak to Fr. Vincent SCJ. There is a new rota available for the period from Sunday 23rd April 2017 until Sunday 30th July 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.

**BIG PICTURE**

The Big Picture Course was very successful and will conclude with Holy Mass in the Parish Hall on Tuesday 18th April at 7.30 pm. There will be a follow up meeting after the Mass to discuss the course and future plans. All are welcome to attend.

**ALTAR SERVERS MC**

Dear parishioners, Martin Greatrex has served as MC of the Altar Servers for more than ten years. He has now resigned from this position due to family commitments. Fr Vincent SCJ would like to say a very sincere thank you to Martin personally and on behalf of you all for his dedication and service forming and guiding the many young people to serve for Masses. Victor Gould has agreed to take the position of MC.

## ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM

The annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham is on Saturday 13th May and will be led by Bishop Robert Byrne. The full itinerary is on the noticeboard. For further information please contact the Diocesan Organiser, Andrew Oldnall, on 0121 440 8623

### CHARITY KNITTING

Thank you once again for the beautiful items donated recently, they are being despatched to the camp in Dunkirk. The next collection will be on Friday 5th May. The organisers have also asked for wool to be used for craft activities in the camps, so if you have any odd balls of wool they can be placed in the porch with the knitting.

### REFUGEE UNDERWEAR APPEAL

Yet another thank you for your continued support. May I remind you, only small/medium items are required for the adults. To date the larger items I have been able to pass on to The Chernobyl Charity, but unfortunately from March 31st they ceased collecting and I have been unable to find another outlet. April's items will be collected on Friday 5th May.

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### CHILDREN'S LITURGY – APPEAL FOR HELP

The Children's Liturgy group is struggling due to lack of assistance. We need volunteers to help the leader of each group. This involves helping with the activities and supervising the children in each group. Please, please help! If anyone is willing to volunteer to help, please speak to Fr. Vincent SCJ, Shelagh Young or Kate Dagleish. Many thanks.

### SACRED HEART LADIES GROUP - WEDNESDAY 19TH APRIL

This month we are all 'Ladies Who Lunch', so no preparing food and better still no washing up!! 26 members have booked their places, so we look forward to a lovely get together at the Eagle & Sun, Hanbury Road on Wednesday 19th April at 12.15 pm.

### WELCOMERS - 8.30 AM MASS

The 8.30 am Hymn Book Rota is looking for new people to come and help. This really doesn't take too much time and the more people we have the better. We would welcome some younger members, so please consider joining us to welcome people into our beautiful church. Please phone Mary Child on 01905 345056 for more information.

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### CATHOLIC NATIONAL SHRINE OF OUR LADY

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

Please see the posters on the noticeboard for details of forthcoming events at the National Shrine of Our Lady at Walsingham. These include 1061, a formation programme for young adults, the Dowry of Mary Pilgrimage on Sunday 10th September and Marriage and Family Pilgrimage Week from Saturday 12th August until Sunday 20th August.

### THE GOOD COUNSEL NETWORK: 20TH ANNIVERSARY

The 20th Anniversary of The Good Counsel Network will be celebrated on Saturday 29th April at St. James' Church, 22 George St., London, W1U 3QY with Mass at 2.00 pm. This will be followed by a short talk by Clare McCullough, Director of The Good Counsel Network, and refreshments in the crypt. Please contact 020 7723 1740 or [www.goodcounselnetwork.com](http://www.goodcounselnetwork.com) for further information.

### THANK YOU

We have received a letter of thanks from the Holy Ghost Fathers. This letter is on the noticeboard at the back of church

### SPRING WALK

Would you like to join us for a spring walk?

Volunteers are needed for a walk around the new housing that is popping up around Droitwich. We have a new leaflet letting everyone know about our beautiful church and our spiritual community. If you would like to take a short walk, during the daytime, distributing these leaflets with a small group of volunteers, please contact Kate Hill on 07967 964236.

### MARCH FOR LIFE UK

This year is the 50th Anniversary of abortion being legalised in Great Britain, over 8 million babies' lives have been lost since 1967. The annual March for Life is on Saturday 20th May in Birmingham. Three English Bishops will be attending the march.

For further information please see [www.marchforlife.co.uk](http://www.marchforlife.co.uk)

**Main Collection:**

**£345.55**

**Gift Aid: £119.50**

**Mass Attendance**

**Last Sunday: 323**

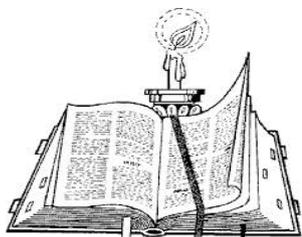
**Thank you for  
supporting your  
Parish.**

**Last week's retiring  
collection for  
the Easter Flowers  
raised: £280.80**

**Thank you for your  
generosity.**

**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.



**Next Sunday's Mass  
Readings**

*Acts 2: 42-47;*

*Psalms 117;*

*1 Peter 1: 3-9*

*John 20: 19-31*

**CULTURAL EXCHANGE WITH CHINA (CEC)**

Please see the posters on the noticeboard for details of their AGM and an opportunity to teach in China. Wednesday 24th May will be a special day of prayer with the Church of China. There are prayer cards at the back of church.

**PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK SHRINE**

There is a Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2017 for £599.00 per person sharing. This includes flights, taxes, transfers and 5 nights at Knock House Hotel with Breakfast and Dinner. All tours are included. If you are interested contact Patricia on 07740 175557.

**JOB VACANCIES**

Please see the poster on the noticeboard for details of current job vacancies at the Archdiocese of Birmingham and also an advert for the post of Principal at St. Ambrose Catholic Primary School, Kidderminster.



**Happy Easter!**

*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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