

SACRED HEART & ST CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA

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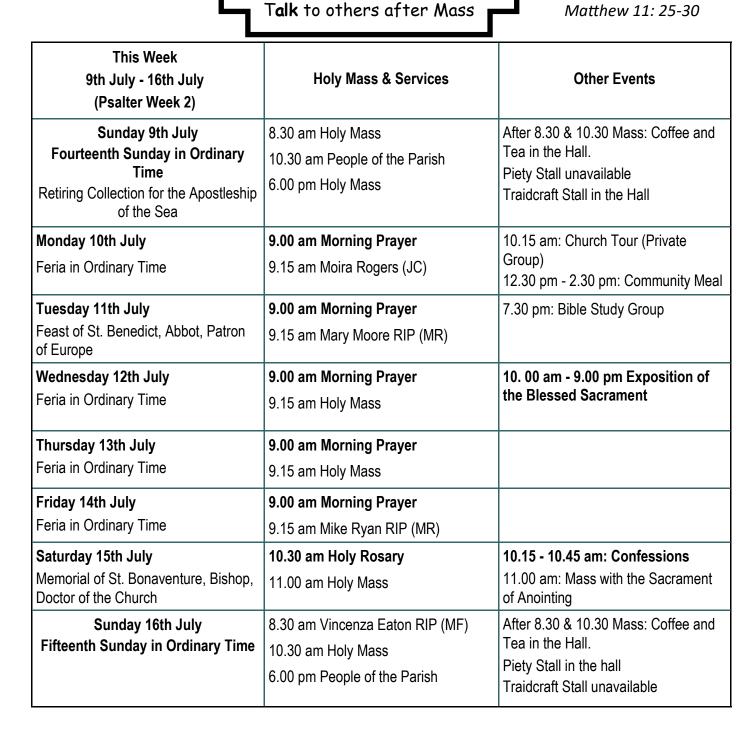
Today's Mass Readings

Zechariah 9: 9-10 Psalm 144;

Romans 8: 9, 11-13 Matthew 11: 25-30

Welcome to this House of God:

Talk to God before Mass Listen to God during Mass



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RESPONSORIAL PSALM

8.30 am & 10.30 am: I will bless your name for ever, O God

my King.

6.oopm: The promises of the Lord are true and loving are all

his deeds. I will give you glory O God my king and

praise your name for ever.

PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS

Ralph & Milly Arnold, Mary Arulandhu, John Blackman, Monica Campbell, Christopher and Mary Campbell-Johnston, Barbara Conway, 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, Michael Sheridan, Rob O'Sullivan, Liz Prakash, Barbara Quigley, James Regan, Bob Shuck, Jacky Smith, Anne & Philip Smith, Pat Smith, Sarah Trueman, Bob Turner, Ann Turton, Jim Tustain, Mary Wallace, Mark Wightman, Brigid Yates and Fr. Tom's sister, Maura.

SEA SUNDAY

Today is Sea Sunday, when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Without them we would not have most of the items we buy in the shops. Today's second collection is for Apostleship of the Sea (AoS), the Church's official maritime welfare agency. It supports seafarers both practically and spiritually. This collection is vital to enable it to continue its work, so please give generously and remember seafarers in your prayers. Thank you. To donate online please visit www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk. Gift Aid envelopes for donations are at the back of church.

PARISH COUNCIL AGM - MINUTES

The draft minutes of the AGM held on 14th June are now available on the notice board at the back of church. Sadly, apart from members of the Parish Council and all the members of the Sacred Heart Community, there were only two parishioners present. There is one permanent copy and four more copies which may be borrowed and returned. Many parishioners receive their own copy of PC minutes by email. If you would like to be added to this list please see Fr. Vincent or Jenny Leonard.

SACRED HEART PARISH: QUESTIONS, COMMENTS OR CONCERNS

If any parishioners have any questions or comments regarding the running of the Sacred Heart Parish please could these be raised with Father Vincent via email, phone or in person. Many thanks.

SACRED HEART FEAST DAY

Thank you to all those who attended and supported the Sacred Heart Feast Day celebration on Friday 23rd June. A special thank you to Caroline Healy and Maria Jenkins for organising the shared table.

PARISH SECRETARY

During the school summer holidays, my working days and hours may vary from usual and I will be out of the office from Monday 7th August until Friday 18th August inclusive. If I am unavailable and you need to speak to someone urgently please contact Caroline Healy on 01905 779437 for any queries relating to the Parish Hall and Father Vincent SCJ for everything else. Many thanks, Kate Dalgleish.

SACRED HEART LADIES GROUP WEDNESDAY 12TH JULY

This month we are making an afternoon visit to look around the NGS garden at David's Garden Centre. Hopefully the weather will be in our favour and once we have finished admiring the garden we will be able to sit back and relax with tea, coffee and cake. Can all members please meet in David's Nursery Car Park at 2.00 pm.

BROMSGROVE & REDDITCH WELCOME REFUGEES GROUP FUN RUN: SATURDAY 15TH JULY AT 9.00 AM

The Bromsgrove and Redditch Welcome Refugees Group are having a fun run in Sander's Park, Bromsgrove on Saturday 15th July from 9.00am where items to help the refugees abroad can be taken. We are only able to collect limited items at church, but this is an opportunity for parishioners to personally pass on adult clothing (sizes small to medium only), children's clothing, walking shoes, tents, sleeping bags, camping equipment and toiletries. An extensive list of items needed can be found at www.people-in-motion.co.uk. We will continue to collect the usual items indefinitely. Many thanks for all the items given so far which have been so appreciated by the above groups.

OUR LADY'S ROSARY GROUP, HOLY CROSS CHURCH, WHITWICK 31ST ROSARY RALLY: SUNDAY 27TH AUGUST 2017

You are warmly invited to join in our 31st Rosary Rally at Mount St. Bernard Abbey, Leicestershire. The rally commences with Mass at 2.00 pm; the Principal Celebrant is the Rt. Rev. Dom Erik Varden. For the full programme for the day please see the poster on the noticeboard. For further information please contact Mrs. A Gartland at anne.gartland@yahoo.co.uk or on 01530 451007

BIRMINGHAM CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL CONFERENCE

This year is the 30th Anniversary Conference and the theme is "They will know WE are Christians by OUR love" with speakers Fr. Chris Thomas, Michelle Moran and Bruce Yocum. The Conference takes place from 1.00 pm on Monday 7th August until 1.00 pm on Friday 11th August at St. John's Hotel, 651 Warwick Road, Solihull B91 1AT. Day visitors are welcome; registration opens at 9.00 am each morning. Further information can be found in the leaflets at the back of Church.

ST. CHAD'S PILGRIMAGE: SATURDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER 2017

Bishop Michael Ipgrave, Bishop of Lichfield, and Archbishop Bernard Longley invite parishioners to participate in a pilgrim walk from St. Chad's Cathedral, Birmingham to Lichfield Cathedral, approximately 18 miles. This is not a sponsored event but an ecumenical initiative which will allow for people to take part in a stage of the walk if you feel that the whole distance is too much. The route will move from St. Chad's, along arranged canal paths, emerging at Perry Common then onward through Sutton Park and Little Aston. This walk is open to all; further details to follow soon.

PARISH HALL

There is an urgent need for more keyholders to open and close the Parish Hall. If you are able to help please contact Caroline Healy on 01905 779437 or Kate Dalgleish on 01905 773258.

MICROPHONES

Please could
Readers and all
other parishioners
who use the
microphone at the
Pulpit adjust the
microphone for your
height, stand closer to
the microphone and
project your voices.
Many thanks.

TRANSPORT TO 10.30 AM MASS: HELP REQUIRED!

Is anyone able to help Sally McCool by giving her a lift from Cutnall Green to the 10.30 am Mass on Sundays. Please speak to Fr. Vincent is you are able to help. Many thanks.

FOODBANK

A new wish list for July 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.

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Main Collection: £326.20 Gift Aid: £339.90 **Mass Attendance** Last Sunday: 367 Thank you for supporting your Parish.

REFUGEE KNITTING & UNDERWEAR APPEAL

Any donations can be placed in the boxes in the entrance to church and will be gratefully received.



Next Sunday's Mass Readings

Isaiah 55: 10-11 Psalm 64; Romans 8: 18-23

Matthew 13: 1-23

CAFOD CAMPAIGNS DAY

LISTENING TO THE CRY OF THE EARTH AND THE CRY OF THE POOR: THE RESPONSE OF THE CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA TO POPE FRANCIS' CALL

Do join us on Tuesday 11th July from 11.00 am until 3.00 pm at St Columbans, Widney Manor Road, Solihull, B93 9AB for our CAFOD Campaigns Day. We will hear from Fr. Peter Hughes, an Irish Columban priest from County Mayo who has spent most of his life as a missionary based in Lima, Peru. Tea and coffee will be served from 10.45 am and please do bring something for a bring-andshare lunch. To confirm your place, please contact Lizzie in the Birmingham Volunteer Centre at ewignall@cafod.org.uk or on 01922 722 944.

REBOOT LIVE: UK TOUR—BIRMINGHAM

The Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham and The Mercy Tour in conjunction with Chris Stefanick and Real Life Catholic proudly present REBOOT Live! Reboot Live! is a high-energy, 2 ½ hour renewal event designed to bring a brand new energy and vitality to parish communities and the Church. Reboot Live! takes place on Monday 17th July at St. Catherine of Siena, Birmingham. For further information, please email reboottouruk@gmail.com.

HUGH DALY

In September, 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 either via Hugh's Just Giving page at www.justgiving.com/fundraising/ Hugh-Daly1 or there are sponsorship forms at the back of church. To find out more about Zoe's Place Baby Hospice and the work that they do visit their website at www.zoes-place.org.uk/coventry.

PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA

Celebrate the centenary of Fatima this November with fellow pilgrims from the Diocese. Departing Sunday 26th November, spend four nights in a 4* hotel on a half board basis. Flights from Birmingham. Early bird offer of £485 available until Tuesday 15th August To find out more visit aglowpilgrimages.com/Fatima or call 0800 689 4792.

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.