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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 56:1, 6-7*  
*Psalms 66;*  
*Romans 11: 13-15, 29 -32*  
*Matthew 15: 21-28*

| <b>This Week</b><br><b>20th August - 27th August</b><br><b>(Psalter Week 4)</b>           | <b>Holy Mass &amp; Services</b>                                                                              | <b>Other Events</b>                                                                                                                              |
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| <b>Sunday 20th August</b><br><b>Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>                     | 8.30 am Sheela Burchill RIP (EK)<br>10.30 am Ints. of Barbara Lawrence (SM)<br>6.00 pm Damien Doran RIP (PD) | After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea in the Hall.<br>Piety & Traidcraft Stalls unavailable<br>6.00 pm Mass: No folk group<br>12 Noon: Baptism |
| <b>Monday 21st August</b><br>Memorial of St. Pius X, Pope                                 | <b>9.00 am Morning Prayer</b><br>9.15 am Holy Mass                                                           |                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Tuesday 22nd August</b><br>Memorial of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary        | <b>9.00 am Morning Prayer</b><br>9.15 am Holy Mass                                                           | 10.45 am Church Tour                                                                                                                             |
| <b>Wednesday 23rd August</b><br><b>Feast of St. John Wall, Priest, Martyr</b>             | <b>9.00 am Morning Prayer</b><br>9.15 am Holy Mass                                                           | <b>10.00 am - 9.00 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</b>                                                                                    |
| <b>Thursday 24th August</b><br><b>Feast of St. Bartholomew, Apostle</b>                   | <b>9.00 am Morning Prayer</b><br>9.15 am Susan O'Shea (I.M)                                                  | 10:30 am Organ Tuning                                                                                                                            |
| <b>Friday 25th August</b><br><b>Feast of St. Miriam Baouardi</b>                          | <b>9.00 am Morning Prayer</b><br>9.15 am Holy Mass                                                           |                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Saturday 26th August</b><br><b>Feast of Blessed Dominic Barberi, Priest, Religious</b> | <b>10.30 am Holy Rosary</b><br>11.00 am Queenie Foley RIP (M.M)                                              | <b>10.15 - 10.45 am: Confessions</b>                                                                                                             |
| <b>Sunday 27th August</b><br><b>Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>                  | 8.30 am People of the Parish<br>10.30 am Holy Mass<br>6.00 pm Holy Mass                                      | After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea in the Hall.<br>Piety & Traidcraft Stalls unavailable<br>6.00 pm Mass: No folk group                     |

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Gerry Ceclich

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## **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

8.30 am, 10.30 am & 6.00 pm: Let the peoples praise you,  
O God; let all the peoples praise you.

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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, Bernadette Violet Duffy, Alan Francis, Natasha Hake, Louise Hill, Marie Hopkins, Julia Howles, Alan Hurst, Michael James, Mike Jennings, Eileen Kilminster, Billy Lydon, Jackie McLean, Carol Nott, Rob O'Sullivan, Liz Prakash, Barbara Quigley, James Regan, Michael Sheridan, 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.

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## **RECENT DEAD**

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

## **BAPTISM**

We welcome into our parish family and into the Universal Church **Jonathan Omail Khalaf Maximous** who will receive the Sacrament of Baptism today. Please keep him and his parents in your kind thoughts and prayers.

## **APPEAL TO FORM A SOCIAL COMMITTEE AND FUNDRAISING TEAM:**

### **COULD IT BE YOU?**

Fr. Vincent would like to form a Social Committee and Fundraising Team in the parish. The aim of the team is to organise the social events and Summer and Christmas Fairs to support our parish financially and socially. There are so many opportunities to bring our parishioners together through social events and the fairs are organised only twice a year. We need this team in the parish. Please consider taking up this important role. Can you help? Please contact Fr. Vincent SCJ or the Parish Office.

## **ANNUAL SPONSORED WALK**

The Annual Sponsored Walk in aid of the Sacred Heart Missionary Work in India will take place in the Sandwell Valley on Saturday 30th September from 1.30 pm. Brother Patrick has decided to join the sponsored walk; if you would like to support this fund raising effort, there is a sponsorship form available at the back of church to sponsor and support him. If you would like to walk in the Sandwell Valley, more sponsorship forms are available at the back of church. Please join Brother Patrick to support the Sacred Heart Missionary work. For further details please speak to Fr. Vincent or Brother Patrick. Thank you in anticipation of your support.

## **MARYVALE INSTITUTE: DISTANCE LEARNING**

Please see the posters on the noticeboard for details of the distance learning courses on offer at the Maryvale Institute.

### PARISH SECRETARY

During the school summer holidays, my working days and hours may vary from usual. 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 Dalglish.

### THE OFFICIAL CATHOLIC DIRECTORY OF ENGLAND AND WALES

The Directory will be published on Tuesday 5th December 2017 but demand is expected to be high so it is suggested that you order your copy **early**. You can order online at [www.thecatholicuniverse.com/PP](http://www.thecatholicuniverse.com/PP). You can pay by cheque or credit card by contacting The Universe Media Group Limited, The Official Catholic Directory, Guardian Print Centre, Longbridge Road, Trafford Park, Manchester, M17 1SN. Tel: 0161 908 5301. Price is £35.00, including postage and packing.

### 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.

### BIG BIBLE STUDY - SATURDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER 10.00 AM - 13.00 PM

#### PRAY - STUDY - EAT

This year the Ecumenical Big Bible Study will be held at St. George's Hall, Sansome Place, Worcester on Saturday 30th September. The leaders for the morning are Archbishop Bernard Longley, Bishop John Inge and Alison Mackay, Regional Minister for the Heart of England Baptist Association. The cost is £4.00 per person; this includes a bread and soup lunch. To register your place please contact 01905 732900. Please visit [www.cofe-worcester.org.uk](http://www.cofe-worcester.org.uk) or see the poster on the noticeboard for further details.

### PLANNED FOOTWAY MAINTENANCE

Worcester Highways will be resurfacing the footway outside the Church in August. The work will commence on Wednesday 23rd August and it will last for approximately 5 days. Please note that this start date is weather dependent and We have been assured that access should be maintained to both the disabled parking and the Presbytery whilst this work is ongoing.

### PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The next Parish Council meeting will be on Wednesday 6th September at 7:30 pm in the Elgar Room of the Parish Hall. If any parishioner has an item for discussion at this meeting please let Fr. Vincent know or contact Jenny Leonard on 775596 before Wednesday 30th August.

### TRAIDCRAFT

The stall is closed throughout August. Should you wish to purchase something during August please contact Kevin & Elizabeth Larkin on 01905 776122. Thank you for your continued support.

### FOLK GROUP:

#### 6.00 PM MASS

The Folk Group is now on its summer break. There will be no folk group at the 6.00 pm Masses until September.

### PARISH GROUPS

Please could all parish groups who use the hall leave the rooms clean and tidy. This includes putting away any tables and chairs that are used. Thank you for your co-operation.

### BIBLE STUDY GROUP

The Bible Study Group is on a break for the summer. The group will restart on Tuesday 5th September at 7.30 pm.

### REFUGEE KNITTING & UNDERWEAR APPEAL

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

## Main Collection:

**£287.21**

**Gift Aid: £252.25**

**Mass Attendance**

**Last Sunday: 252**

**Thank you for  
supporting your  
Parish.**

## PIETY STALL

The Piety Stall will be closed during August and will re-open on Sunday 3rd September. If you wish to buy any items of Piety, Bridget Bullock will be at the stall after 8.30 am Mass each Sunday.

## MARYVALE INSTITUTE:

### DISTANCE LEARNING

Please see the posters on the noticeboard for details of the distance learning courses on offer at the Maryvale Institute.



### Next Sunday's Mass Readings

*Isaiah 22: 19-23*

*Psalms 137;*

*Romans 11: 33-36*

*Matthew 16: 13-20*

## MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKENDS

Marriage Encounter Weekends will be taking place at Barnes Close, Bromsgrove (Non Residential) from Saturday 9th September until Sunday 10th September 2017 and at the Ibis Hotel, Rugby (Residential) from Friday 24th November until Sunday 26th November 2017. These are enrichment weekends for normal, ordinary marriages NOT counselling. ME weekends have proved time and time again to be of immense value to couples however long they have been married. All discussions are private to the participating couples; there is no group work. For further information go to [www.wwme.org.uk](http://www.wwme.org.uk) or contact Phil & Rita Jackson on 0121 2447762.

## HARVINGTON PILGRIMAGE - SUNDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER

This year the Annual Pilgrimage to Harvington Hall, Shrine of the English Martyrs, is on Sunday 3rd September. Mass is at 3.00 pm with Confessions from 1.45 pm until 2.30 pm. Rt. Rev. Robert Byrne CO, Auxiliary Bishop of Birmingham will be the principal celebrant and preacher. Free timed tours of Harvington Hall are available to all pilgrims on the day and can be booked in the Hall's courtyard when you arrive. Please bring your own chairs. All information is on the poster on the noticeboard.

## VINCENTIAN VOLUNTEERS

Are you aged between 18-35? Have you ever wanted to spend a year making a real difference in the community? Have you thought about trying to live out Gospel values in a faith-filled community? If the answer to these questions is yes, then become a Vincentian Volunteer - living in community, serving the needy in our society and living out your faith practically. Spend a year that will change your life. If you want to know more then visit [www.vincentianvolunteers.org.uk](http://www.vincentianvolunteers.org.uk)



## HOLIDAYS

Father Vincent would like to wish everyone travelling on their holidays a safe journey and a relaxing time away.

*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.*