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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 5: 1-7;

Psalms 79;

Philippians 4: 6-9;

Matthew 21: 33-43

This Week 8th October - 15th October (Psalter Week 3)	Holy Mass & Services	Other Events
Sunday 8th October Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Retiring Collection for CAFOD	8.30 am Holy Mass 10.30 am Herbert Lerner (TC) 6.00 pm Mary Ryan (DR)	After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea in the Hall. Piety & Traidcraft Stalls unavailable 10:30 am Mass will be led by St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School
Monday 9th October Feast of the Blessed John Henry Newman, Priest	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Holy Communion Service	
Tuesday 10th October Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Holy Mass	7.30 pm: Bible Study Group
Wednesday 11th October Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Holy Communion Service	10.00 am - 9.00 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Thursday 12th October Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Paddy McCoy RIP (S & SR)	
Friday 13th October Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Holy Communion Service	
Saturday 14th October Feria in Ordinary Time	10.30 am Holy Rosary 11.00 am Holy Mass	Confessions by appointment only
Sunday 15th October Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.30 am Holy Mass 10.30 am Aileen O'Connell RIP (JO) 6.00 pm Holy Mass	After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea in the Hall. Piety & Traidcraft Stalls in the Parish Hall

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM

8.30 am: The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel.
10.30 am: Chorus of Hymn 632.
6.00 pm: The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel.

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, Kevin McCorry, Jackie McLean, Rose O'Grady, 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.

FATHER VINCENT

Father Vincent is in India until Monday 6th November. Please check the newsletter for details of Masses and Services. In Father Vincent's absence, please contact Father Brian or Kate Dalgleish. To arrange a Mass Intention, please contact Kate Dalgleish. There will be Holy Communion Services on some days during this period. A rota of Eucharistic Ministers to lead these is at the back of church. Thank you to those who have volunteered.

PARISH CHRISTMAS FAIR

The Christmas Fair is coming soon! This year our parish Christmas Fair will be held on **Saturday 9th December in the Parish Hall. Please put this date in your diary and support this event.** This is one of the biggest events to raise money for our parish and an opportunity to catch up with friends and meet new people. We need to start thinking about prizes for the raffle so we are looking for an attractive 1st prize for the raffle tickets. **Can anyone help us by donating a prize?** If you can, please contact Fr. Vincent SCJ or the Parish Office. If you would like to donate a prize for the raffle there is a clipboard at the back of church.

CAFOD

This Harvest, we are standing with Edelmira, a farmer in El Salvador, as she works to sustain her family with good crops and harvests. With your help, CAFOD is giving her fruit trees, training and strong seeds. Today there is a retiring collection for CAFOD. Thank you for your generosity.

CONFESSIONS

There will be no Confessions on Saturdays whilst Fr. Vincent is in India. Confessions will be by appointment only with Fr. Brian Boyle. Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to arrange an appointment.

EDITH MARY 'PEGGY' & CATHERINE ELIZABETH SMITH RIP

We have received a very generous legacy from the estate of the late Edith Mary 'Peggy' & Catherine Elizabeth Smith. Please keep their departed souls and their family and friends in your kind thoughts and prayers.

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.

POLITE REQUEST

A high standard of cleanliness is maintained in the Parish Hall. If you are using the toilets, please leave them clean for the next parishioner or hirer. If you feel the toilets have been left in a condition unacceptable to the next user please could you contact the Parish Office on 01905 773258.

ANNUAL SPONSORED WALK

Thank you for supporting Brother Patrick on his sponsored walk to raise money for the Sacred Heart Fathers' Missionary work in India. Any sponsorship money can either be passed to Brother Patrick or given in to the Parish Office. Thank you for your generosity.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY APPEAL - A BIG THANK YOU

In last week's bulletin we appealed for help to provide three children with winter coats. A very big thank you to those who were able to donate to help the family. The three children now have coats to keep the cold out this winter and we even had a lovely coat donated for the mother of the children. We will also be able to purchase some additional warm clothes for the children. Thank you for your continued support without which we could not help those in need.

SACRED HEART LADIES GROUP

WEDNESDAY 18TH OCTOBER IN THE PARISH HALL

This month's meeting promises to be 'something really different'. The subject matter is 'Oriental Fashion' and we are really excited to welcome Jill Salmon who is going to talk to us and also give us the opportunity to try on some of the luxurious garments. As always the meeting starts at 7.30 pm and finishes at 9.30 pm. with the opportunity to enjoy a cup of coffee/tea/biscuits. We hope the subject will appeal to a lot of parishioners so why not make an effort to come out and join in what promises to be a very enjoyable evening.

NEW EDITION: BIBLE FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

This bible is in the very popular YUCCAT format. It is abridged for easier understanding and has commentaries and tips about how to put Scripture into practice. It is a perfect present for a young person. It also includes a touching personal preface by Pope Francis. This bible is available from the Piety Stall for £20.00. Catholic diaries, calendars and Christmas cards are now also available at the Piety stall.

CAFOD: VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED

CAFOD are looking for volunteers to visit schools. Could this be a role for you? Full training will be provided; volunteers will need to consent to a DBS check. If you are interested or want to find out more email birmingham@cafod.org.uk or contact 01922 722 944.

CHRISTMAS

MASSES

Please note that our Mass times for 2017 will be

Christmas Eve:

5.00 pm (Children's Mass)

8.00 pm (Midnight Mass), with carols from 7.30 pm

Christmas Day:

one Mass only at 9.30 am.

TEA/COFFEE ROTA & BIDDING PRAYER ROTA

If anyone would like to join either of the above rotas, please speak to Chris Powell or contact the Parish Office. Any help would be much appreciated. Thank you.

JUSTICE & PEACE GROUP

We are beginning our serialization of Pope Francis' letter on Climate change, *Laudate Si*. This will be at the back of the Newsletter every week and will be in plain decent English, please read it.

Main Collection:

£304.36

Gift Aid: £278.00

Mass Attendance

Last Sunday: 273

**Thank you for
supporting your
Parish.**

GIFT AID SCHEME

If you are a taxpayer and do not currently gift aid your weekly offering please consider doing this.

Contact the Parish Office or Gerry Ceclich (01299 851188) for details.

NEWMAN ASSOCIATION - WORCESTER CIRCLE

The next meeting is on Thursday 19th October at 7.30 pm at St.

George's Parish Hall, Worcester. Paul Brohan, a parishioner, will discuss Pope Francis's Encyclical Letter *Laudate Si* which provides a good insight into things the Pope says and does.

All are welcome; the charge for non-members is £3.00



Next Sunday's Mass Readings

Isaiah 25: 6-10;

Psalms 22;

Philippians 4: 12-14;

Matthew 22: 1-14

CTS BOOK STAND

Several newly published books are now on sale. Titles include *Finding God in Anxiety and Depression* and *Finding God when a Loved One Loses Faith*. CTS books are now available as e-books. The website is www.ctsbooks.org/ebooks.

HUGH DALY

Hugh Daly has completed his 300 mile cycle ride from Cork to Giant's Causeway in Ireland to raise money for Zoe's Place Baby Hospice in Coventry. Hugh would like to thank those who have sponsored and supported him. There is still time to sponsor and if anyone has sponsored and is yet to pay Hugh will be at the 10.30 am Mass on Sunday. Alternatively you can leave any sponsorship money in an envelope addressed to Hugh at the Parish Office.

KENELM YOUTH TRUST

Please see the posters and flyers at the back of church for forthcoming Kenelm Youth Trust events. These include Fuse: Music, Fireworks and a BBQ on Sunday 5th November and a Charity Ball on Saturday 14th October. There is also information on the Pope John Paul II Award for young people.

13TH BIRMINGHAM DIOCESAN JUSTICE & PEACE ASSEMBLY

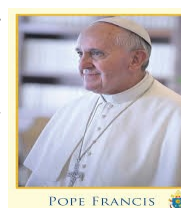
The 13th Birmingham Diocesan Justice and Peace Assembly takes place on Saturday 14th October from 10.30 am until 4.15 pm at St. Peter's Catholic School, Whitefields Road, Solihull, B91 3NZ. The cost is £8.00 (low income and students £5.00). Please bring your own lunch. For further details on how to book please see the poster on the noticeboard or contact Janet Vaughan at bham.jandp@gmail.com.

REFUGEE KNITTING & UNDERWEAR APPEAL

The Refugee Collections have resumed. Any donations of knitting and NEW underwear can be placed in the boxes in the entrance to church. Thank you so much to all those who have contributed to this ongoing appeal. The November items will be despatched on Saturday 4th November and with the darker nights looming this may be an opportunity to start knitting items to help keep the refugees warm. There is a selection of wool, patterns and needles at the church entrance to help defray costs and donations of the same would be gratefully received. Once again thank you so much for your continual support.

LAUDATE SI

The urgent challenge to protect our common home includes a concern to bring all humanity together to seek an answer, FOR WE KNOW THAT THINGS CAN CHANGE. The Creator does not abandon us...Humanity still has the ability to work together...young people demand change. They wonder how anyone can be building a better future without thinking of the environmental crisis and sufferings of the excluded. Many efforts to seek concrete solutions have not worked - powerful opposition - a more general lack of interest, denial of any problem, resignation, blind confidence in technical solutions...This letter shows us the immensity and urgency of the challenge we face.



POPE FRANCIS

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