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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**  
*Malachi 1: 14 - 2: 2, 8-10;*  
*Psalms 130;*  
*1 Thessalonians 2: 7-9, 13*  
*Matthew 23: 1-12*

<b>This Week</b> <b>5th November - 12th November</b> <b>(Psalter Week 3)</b>	<b>Holy Mass &amp; Services</b>	<b>Other Events</b>
<b>Sunday 5th November</b> <b>Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Retiring Collection for the Johnson Association	8.30 am Holy Mass 10.30 am Holy Mass 6.00 pm Julia Howles - sick (P & PG)	After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea in the Hall Piety & Traidcraft Stalls unavailable
<b>Monday 6th November</b> Feria in Ordinary Time	<b>9.00 am Morning Prayer</b> <b>9.15 am Holy Communion Service</b>	12.30 pm - 2.30 pm: Community Meal 7.00 pm: SVP Meeting
<b>Tuesday 7th November</b> Feria in Ordinary Time	<b>9.00 am Morning Prayer</b> 9.15 am Holy Mass	6.30pm: Confirmation Meeting at St. Joseph's School 7.30 pm: Bible Study Group
<b>Wednesday 8th November</b> Feria in Ordinary Time	<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> 7.30 pm: Justice & Peace Group
<b>Thursday 9th November</b> Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica	<b>9.00 am Morning Prayer</b> 9:15 am Holy Mass	
<b>Friday 10th November</b> Memorial of St. Leo the Great, Pope, Doctor of the Church	<b>9.00 am Morning Prayer</b> 9.15 am Holy Mass	
<b>Saturday 11th November</b> Memorial of St. Martin of Tours, Bishop	<b>10.30 am Holy Rosary</b> 11.00 am Holy Mass	<b>10.15 am - 10.45 am: Confessions</b>
<b>Sunday 12th November</b> <b>Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> <b>REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY</b>	8.30 am Holy Mass 10.30 am Holy Mass 6.00 pm John Weaver RIP (MW)	After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea in the Hall Piety & Traidcraft Stalls in the Parish Hall 12 Noon: Baptism

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

8.30 am, 10.30 am & 6.00 pm:

Guard my soul in peace before you, O Lord.

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### SACRED HEART COMMUNITY

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Fr. Brian Boyle SCJ  
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Fr. Tom Kelly SCJ  
(Retired Priest)

Bro. Patrick Leighton SCJ

### 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, David Veale, Mary Wallace, Mark Wightman, Brigid Yates and Fr. Tom's sister, Maura.

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### HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE

Please note that there will be a Holy Communion Service on Monday 6th November.

### HELP US PREPARE FOR THE CHRISTMAS FAYRE!

As we plan for our traditional Parish Christmas Fayre we are asking you to do what you can to donate items for the various stalls. It will take place on Saturday 9th December starting at 12 Noon and each week we are asking you for your support for a particular stall. For this next two weeks we ask you to concentrate on what you can donate for our Tombola stall. This is always one of our most successful stalls. What can you give? The prizes we seek are new items, perhaps things you have been given in the past but for which you have no use. They must be new and properly packaged; gifts of all sorts for all ages and bottles (alcoholic and non-alcoholic). You will find a box at the back of church to put your donations in (including next Sunday 12th and 19th November). Larger items can always be left outside the Romero Room in the hall.

**Remember, without your help and generosity, the Christmas Fayre cannot take place.**

### PARISH SCHOOL

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### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

A very big thank you for your support and donations. The second collection for the SVP funds last week raised £647. THANK YOU ALL. This money will help us to help those people in Droitwich who are really in need. We can be contacted on 0777 292 7535 or e-mail droitwichsvp@googlemail.com.

### TRADCRAFT CHRISTMAS CARDS

Our Traidcraft stall has an excellent selection of Christmas Cards available to order. Samples are on display in the hall after Mass. This also applies to 6 o'clock Mass when they will be on display in the lobby of the hall. Penny Gilfeather has generously offered to be in attendance and will note your orders. Turnaround of orders is relatively swift but it is fair to suppose that the sooner your order is placed, the surer this will be. This arrangement will apply from today.

### SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVES

Gerry Ceclich

Cynthia Sharkey

### JUSTICE AND PEACE GROUP

The next meeting of Justice and Peace Group will be on Wednesday 8th November at 7.30 pm. Agenda includes a report of Diocesan Conference, Christmas Cards to Prisoners, Stations of the Cross outside. All are welcome.

*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.*

### **NOVEMBER : MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS**

In November we remember and pray especially for those who have died. At the back of church there are "In Remembrance" sheets. If you would like to remember in this special way loved ones who have died, write down their names, place the sheet in one of the envelopes provided and put it in the Holy Souls Box (**do not put any money in the envelope**). The Holy Souls Box will be placed near the altar at each Mass in November. It is a good time to offer the sacrifice of Mass for a loved one in November and also someone you know who is in need or close to you. There are Mass Intention Request envelopes available in the Narthex if you wish to have Mass offered for deceased relatives and friends.

### **MISSION - RED BOXES**

It's the second and last collection for 2017. I would be grateful if you could kindly bring your boxes to Church until Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> November. For all our parishioners that contribute so sincerely on a regular basis I, on behalf of Missio's Association for the Propagation of the Faith (APF), would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all your prayers, generosity and financial support. By supporting Missio, Pope Francis's official charity for overseas mission, you will be sharing the peace and love of Christ with all people by helping everyone in need regardless of background or belief. As always new Box Holders are needed. Please contact Maria or Kate Dalgleish if you would like to become a Red Box Holder and support this wonderful cause; "The more we give the more we have". **THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT.** Maria's contact details are goreticruz@msn.com or 07525 087415.

### **SACRED HEART LADIES GROUP**

#### **WEDNESDAY 15TH NOVEMBER 7.30 PM IN THE PARISH HALL**

Our November meeting is going to be something really special and it also involves FOOD!! However, don't worry that will all be prepared and ready for you so just come along and enjoy it. The intention is to start eating at 7.30 pm so please don't have a meal before you arrive - this will serve as your evening meal AND there is also a delicious dessert to follow!! So with no cooking and no money required all we need are our brain cells as there is bound to be a few games/quiz to keep us on our toes. Look forward to a full house. Finally, could I give a gentle reminder that the Pantomime season is just around the corner. Oh yes it is! This year's production at the Norbury Theatre is 'Babes in the Wood'. The date is Thursday 18th January at 7.30 pm. The cost is £10 per person. As tickets will need to be booked asap, names and payment will be taken at our Fun Evening on 15th November please. Thank you for all your help.

### **GOSPEL WORKSHOP: SING ALONG WITH EVE**

Professional jazz and gospel vocalist Eve Meusz will be leading a gospel workshop at Droitwich Methodist Church on Sunday 19th November from 2.30 pm until 4.30 pm. Tickets are £5.00. For further information, please contact Eve on 07920 047044 or Sheila Hampton on 01905 770613 or at smhmptn@gmail.com.

### **CHRISTMAS**

#### **MASSES**

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.

### **LAUDATE SI**

For readers of Laudate

Si extracts wanting the complete document, two copies are available at back of church. If more are required please ask Paul Ingram who can get them quickly. These are approximately £5.00 a copy.

### **£1 COINS**

The old circular £1.00 coins are no longer legal tender. The Piety Stall will only accept the new multisided £1.00 coins. Thank you for your understanding and co-operation.

### **THANK YOU**

Father Hudson's have written to thank the Parish for the generous donations to their annual parish collection. Please see the poster and letter on the noticeboard.

## LIGHTS OF LOVE SERVICE

Once again this year within Churches Together we are hosting a special ecumenical service, Lights of Love, dedicated to those who have died and gone to rest with the Lord. Everyone in our parish who has lost a loved one is welcome to dedicate a light of love on Tuesday 14th November at 6.00 pm. Refreshments will be available afterwards in our Parish Hall. This service is free to attend and open to everyone. Leaflets are available from the Narthex.

## NEWMAN ASSOCIATION - WORCESTER CIRCLE

The next meeting is on Thursday 16th November at 7.30 pm at St. George's Parish Hall, Worcester. Father Patrick Kilgarriff will discuss five of Gerald Manley Hopkins' sonnets: *Pied Beauty, the Windhover, As Kingfishers Catch Fire, Carrion Comfort* and *Patience Hard Thing*, with an impression of his troubled life, to explain how they express his love of nature, his appreciation of the Christian struggle and his discovery of God's kindness. Reference will be made to the *Wreck of the Deutschland*, as it is central to an understanding of the poet's vision. All are welcome; the charge for non-members is £3.00.

## CONCERT AT ST. MARY'S HARVINGTON

In celebration of **ST. CECILIA'S DAY**, on Sunday 19th November at 6.00 pm in St. Mary's Church the Harvington Bach Choir and Orchestra will perform: Handel's *Zadok The Priest* and *Organ Concerto Op. 4 No. 4* followed by Purcell's *Come Ye Sons Of Art* and *Hail! Bright Cecilia*. Refreshments will be served during the interval. Tickets are £10 and will be available after both Masses on Sunday or by telephoning 01299 851511.

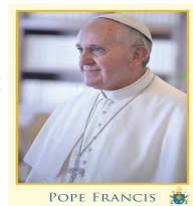
## ST. STEPHEN'S GUILD MASS OF THANKSGIVING

All Altar Servers are invited to a Mass of Thanksgiving for their ministry at St. Chad's Cathedral on Saturday 17th February 2018 at 12 Noon. The Mass will be followed by a time of Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament to allow those attending to pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life and to allow some time for personal reflection and discernment. The day will conclude with light refreshments in the Grimshaw Room. If you would like to attend, please advise Kate Dalglish as soon as possible so that we can confirm numbers to the Diocesan Vocations Office by Monday 4th December.

## LAUDATE SI

### POLLUTION

The Earth, our home, is beginning to look more and more like an immense pile of filth. Pollution is produced by residue, including dangerous waste, much of it non-biodegradable, some highly toxic and radioactive, from homes and businesses, from clinical electronic and industrial sources. This can lead to toxins in local populations, often not known until people's health has been affected. The throwaway culture means re-cycling is mostly not following the system of nature which absorbs and recycles. Our industrial system has not developed the ability to absorb and re-use waste and by-products. This issue which affects the entire planet, needs serious consideration; only limited progress has been made.



## Main Collection:

£251.26

Gift Aid: £244.20

Mass Attendance

Last Sunday: 275

Thank you for  
supporting your  
Parish.

The retiring collection  
for the SVP raised:

£647.52

Thank you for your  
generosity.

## 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.

## JOB VACANCY

The Archdiocese of Birmingham is currently recruiting for a Chief Operating Officer. Please see the poster on the noticeboard for further details. The closing date for applications is Monday 20th November 2017.

## Next Sunday's Mass Readings

Wisdom 6: 12-16;

Psalm 62;

1 Thessalonians 4: 13-18

Matthew 25: 1-13