



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 2: 1-11;
Psalm 103;
Galations 5: 16-25;
John 15: 26-27, 16: 12-15

This Week 20th May - 27th May (Psalter Week 3)	Holy Mass & Services	Other Events
Sunday 20th May Solemnity of Pentecost Year B	8.30 am Rose O'Grady RIP (Sacred Heart Ladies Group) 10.30 am People of the Parish 6.00pm Gladys Remedios (KA)	After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea in the Hall Piety Stall in the hall
Monday 21st May Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Ints. of David Kelly (CS)	12.30 pm - 2.30 pm: Community Meal 6.45 pm: Keyholders Meeting 7.00 pm: SVP Meeting
Tuesday 22nd May Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Special Intention	
Wednesday 23rd May Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Special Intention	10.00 am - 9.00 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 7.30 pm: Parish Council Meeting
Thursday 24th May Feast of our Lord Jesus Christ, The Eternal High Priest	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Special Intention	5.30 pm: Church Visit (private individual)
Friday 25th May Memorial of St. Bede the Venerable, Priest, Doctor of the Church	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Special Intention	7.00 pm: Planning Meeting for Summer Garden Party
Saturday 26th May Memorial of St. Philip Neri, Priest	10.30 am Holy Rosary 11.00 am Holy Mass	9.00 am: First Reconciliation for Parish Children (FHC) 10.15 am - 10.45 am: Confessions
Sunday 27th May Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity Year B	8.30 am Irene Murphy RIP (Sacred Heart Ladies) 10.30 am Harry Remedios (KA) 6.00pm John Mason (MM)	After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea in the Hall Traidcraft Stall in the hall 12 Noon: Baptism

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM

8.30 am: Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.

10.30 am & 6.00 pm: Send forth your Spirit O Lord, that the face of the earth be renewed.

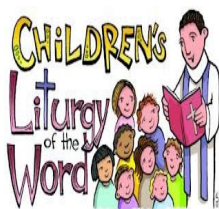
PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS

Ralph & Milly Arnold, Mary Arulandhu, John Blackman, Monica Campbell, Christopher and Mary Campbell-Johnston, Barbara Conway, Bernadette Violet Duffy, Alan Francis, Natasha Hake, Beryl Hill, Louise Hill, Marie Hopkins, Julia Howles, Alan Hurst, Michael James, Mike Jennings, Eileen Kilminster, Billy Lydon, Kevin McCorry, Jackie McLean, Rob O'Sullivan, Liz Prakash, Rosemarie Preece, Barbara Quigley, James Regan, Michael Sheridan, Bob Shuck, Jacky Smith, Anne & Philip Smith, Sarah Trueman, Ann Turton, Jim Tustain, David Veale, Mary Wallace, Breda Wightman, Mark Wightman, Richard Wightman, Brigid Yates and Fr. Tom's sister, Maura.

GRAND SUMMER RAFFLE

We hope to launch our Grand Summer Raffle shortly, but first we need your support. In the past parishioners have been very generous in donating prizes for our raffles and we appeal to you, once again to see what you can provide. Our summer raffle is always a fun way to bring in a large amount of money to help with the overheads of the parish. There will be a clipboard at the back of church for you to note down any prizes you are able to provide or promise. You can also leave any prizes with Father Vincent or Brother Patrick. **Let's make this the best ever!**

CHILDREN'S LITURGY



New volunteers are needed to help with Children's Liturgy during the 10.30 am Mass on Sundays. Please consider joining this rota. Sufficient support is needed to keep Children's Liturgy up and running. The number of volunteers is now at a critically low level and if additional help is not found the group may cease. If you are interested, please speak to Shelagh Young or contact the Parish Office.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The next parish council meeting is on Wednesday 23rd May in the Elgar Room. If anyone has any item to be considered for discussion, please could they contact Fr. Vincent by the end of today.

PARISH SUMMER GARDEN PARTY

We hope to arrange a Parish Summer Garden Party in the Parish Hall and gardens on Saturday 30th June 2018 from 3.00 pm to 5.00 pm. Please note the date in your diary! There will be a planning meeting for this on Friday 25th May 2018 at 7.00pm in the Parish Hall. If you are willing to lend a hand in the planning and organizing, or have some good ideas for making the event into a success please try and attend the meeting next Friday evening.

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY: ASHRAY - OUR MILLENNIUM PROJECT

For those of you who missed the talk on Ashray earlier in the year there is a second opportunity to hear it on Friday 15th June at 7.00 pm in the Parish Hall. All are welcome and again there will be no collection and admission is free. We look forward to seeing those of you who were unable to attend last time. Please contact John and Gina Pilley at ashraydroitwich@gmail.com or on 07914 920298 for further information.

REQUEST FOR HELP

An elderly Droitwich lady, currently living in Lugano and running a charity in Bosnia, is looking for a base and bed in Droitwich from Tuesday 26th until Saturday 30th June inclusive. Could anyone who could host this lady please contact Clare Lynam on 01905 778775 with the terms they could offer.

"A YEAR WITH THE CATECHISM: 365 DAY READING PLAN"

In the 1990s we were encouraged to buy a copy of the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Now a 365 day reading plan has just been published by CTS, priced at £12.95. This new book "brings the treasures of the Catechism to aspiring readers in manageable, bite-sized pieces. Each day a brief reflection breaks open the selected text, explains unfamiliar terms, and unlocks the spiritual and pastoral meaning". There are posters about the Catechism and this book in the church porch. If you would like to see or order a copy, please contact Paul Ingram on 01905 778053.

COUNTING ROTA (COMMENCING SUNDAY 20TH MAY 2018)

The new counting rota has been sent via email to all who have provided us with email addresses. For those without email, an envelope has been left at the back of church. If there are any queries, please contact Kevin and Elizabeth Larkin (01905 776122 or kevin.elizabeth@btinternet.com). Thank you.

MISSIO - RED BOXES

It's the first collection for 2018. I would be grateful if you could kindly bring in your boxes to Church at your convenience from **Sunday 20th May until Sunday 3rd June**. In the last year, members of the Red Box family in our Parish have raised a fantastic **£1,061.13**. **Thank you!** Please see "Thank you Poster" at the back of the church. Our sisters and brothers around the world continue to need our support. Please continue to support the work of the Red Box. If you don't already have a Red Box at home, or would like information on other ways to give to the Red Box, you can visit mission.org.uk or please contact Maria at goretticruz@msn.com or on 07525 087415. Thank you again.

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN DROITWICH AGM

This year's AGM will take place on Wednesday 6th June at 7.30pm at the Methodist Church, Worcester Rd. The new Methodist Minister, Rev. Gary Molver, will be talking about the Church in his homeland, South Africa. Everyone is welcome to come along.

ENGLAND AND ROME: ANGLO-PAPAL RELATIONS C1350 TO 1870

Please see the poster on the noticeboard for details of this one-day conference from 10.45 am until 4.00 pm on Monday 25th June at Cathedral House, Birmingham. The day is organised by the Archdiocese of Birmingham Historical Commission and costs £20.00 (including buffet lunch).

CONFESSIONS

Confessions have resumed on Saturday mornings from 10.15 am until 10.45 am.

FOODBANK

Foodbank would like to thank all parishioners for the additional items donated over the Easter period. They are very grateful for the support, which enables assistance to be given to those in our community who need help. A new wish list for May 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 continued generosity.

COMBONI MISSIONARIES

Fr. Angelo has written to express his gratitude to all parishioners for your generosity towards the Mission.

SACRED HEART PARISH HALL KEYHOLDERS

The next meeting of Hall Keyholders will be on Monday 21st May at 6.45 pm in the Romero Room. After this date no further bookings will be accepted for June.

Main Collection:

£286.45

Gift Aid: £133.55

Mass Attendance

Last Sunday: 259

**Thank you for
supporting your
Parish.**

**The retiring collection
for Catholic
Communications
raised: £106.52**

Gift Aid: £74.00

**Thank you for your
generosity.**

DROITWICH SVP

Sacred Heart SVP can
be contacted on
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Next Sunday's Mass Readings

*Deuteronomy 4: 32-34,
39-40;*

Psalms 32;

Romans 8: 14-17;

Matthew 28: 16-20

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.

PAX CHRISTI ANNUAL GATHERING

The Annual Gathering will take place on Saturday 2nd June from 10.30 am until 4.30 pm at Our Lady and St. Patrick's Church Hall, Launder Street, Nottingham, NG2 1JQ. For further information please see the flyer on the noticeboard. All are welcome. The Annual Report from Pax Christi is also at the back of church if you would like to read it.

ANNUAL NOVENA AND PILGRIMAGE TO THE SHRINE OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS, MARYVALE

Please see the poster at the back of church for details of the Annual Novena and Pilgrimage to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Maryvale. If you would like any further information please contact Maryvale House on 0121 360 8118.

CHARITY KNITTING

A massive thank you once again for the beautiful items crafted with such care. Your generosity never ceases to amaze me! The knitting will be so gratefully received by the refugees in the camps. The next collection date is on Saturday 2nd June. Donations of wool, buttons, needles and patterns are always gratefully received and can be placed in the box at the church entrance.

REFUGEE UNDERWEAR COLLECTION

Yet another thank you for your continual support; your kindness and generosity is overwhelming. There is always a desperate need for NEW children's and small to medium adult underwear tights and socks. These items will also be collected on Saturday 2nd June.

DROITWICH BIBLE STUDY ACTION GROUP

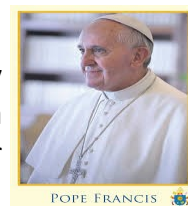
Please see the poster on the noticeboard for details of the group's AGM on Tuesday 22nd May at 2.30 pm and also a letter appealing for new members.

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THE COMMON GOOD

Another profound reality is the relationship between human life and the moral law...a part of our nature, a gift from God the Father.

"In the present condition of global society where injustices abound and growing numbers of people are deprived of basic human rights and considered expendable, the principle of the common good immediately becomes a summons to solidarity and a preferential option for the poorest of our brothers and sisters." (159/160)



POPE FRANCIS