

Societas Presbyterorum Sacratissimi Cordis Jesu

# 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 Isaiah 60: 1-6; Psalm 71; Ephesians 3: 2-3,5-6 Matthew 2: 1-12

This Week 6th January - 13th January (Psalter Week 2)	Holy Mass & Services	Other Events
Sunday 6th January Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord Year C	8.30 am Rose Family (BB) 10.30 am Mary Campbell Johnston RIP (BB) 6.00 pm Mathew KM (SM)	After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea in the Hall
<b>Monday 7th January</b> Christmas Feria	<b>9.00 am Morning Prayer</b> 9.15 am Susanne Halliday (CM)	12.30 pm - 2.00 pm: Community Meal
<b>Tuesday 8th January</b> Christmas Feria	<b>9.00 am Morning Prayer</b> 9.15 am Holy Mass	
<b>Wednesday 9th January</b> Christmas Feria	<b>9.00 am Morning Prayer</b> 9.15 am Joan Fieldhouse (DM)	
<b>Thursday 10th January</b> Christmas Feria	<b>9.00 am Morning Prayer</b> 9.15 am Holy Mass	
<b>Friday 11th January</b> Christmas Feria	<b>9.00 am Morning Prayer</b> 9.15 am Holy Mass	
<b>Saturday 12th January</b> Christmas Feria	<b>10.30 am Holy Rosary</b> 11.00 am Holy Mass	10.15 am - 10.45 am: Confessions
Sunday 13th January Feast of the Baptism of the Lord Year C	8.30 am James Regan RIP (MJ) 10.30 am Annie Winifred Leonard RIP (D & BO) 6.00 pm J & M Ryan (DR)	After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea in the Hall

# SACRED HEART COMMUNITY

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# SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVES

Gerry Ceclich Cynthia Sharkey

# **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

8.30 am & 10.30 am:

All nations shall fall prostrate before you, O Lord.

6.00 pm: In His days justice will flourish. Peace will reign 'til the moon fades. May His name be blessed for ever and endure like the noon-day sun. AK24.

# PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS

Please pray for all our parishioners, and/or their friends and relatives, who are unwell:

Ralph & Milly Arnold, Mary Arulandhu, Barbara Conway, Patrick Cussen, Eddie & Eileen Dalton, Delores Delaney, Bernadette Duffy, Alan Francis, Beryl Hill, Alan Hurst, John Jennings, Kevin McCorry, Rosemarie Preece, Barbara Quigley, Michael Sheridan, Jacky Smith, David Veale, Breda Wightman, Mark Wightman, Richard Wightman & Brigid Yates

Due to the new data regulations (GDPR), the Archdiocese have requested that we do not list names unless we have the consent of the individual. If you would like your name to be included in this list please contact

Fr. George SCJ or Kate Dalgleish. Please note that the newsletter is also placed on the parish website. Thank you for your understanding.

# **RECENTLY DECEASED**

Your prayers are asked for **Mrs. Hopkins** 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.

### FR. GEORGE MATHEW SCJ

Fr. George SCJ will be away from the Parish from Monday 14th January until Saturday 2nd February inclusive. Please check the newsletter for details of weekday Masses and Services during these times.

# MASS INTENTIONS: 8.30 AM SUNDAY MASS

Please note that the 8.30 am Sunday Mass is currently fully booked for Mass Intentions until the end of January 2019. In addition there are some ad hoc dates also booked for this time. Sunday 3rd February is currently the earliest date available. If you are requesting an intention for the 8.30 am Mass please could you indicate on the form whether you would like to wait for the next available Sunday or whether you would prefer a weekday/Saturday Mass nearer the date requested. Many thanks for your understanding.

# **10.30 AM MASS TEAS AND COFFEES**

There are 17 Sundays this year when there is no-one to do the teas and coffees after the 10.30 am Mass. Unless volunteers come forwards there will be no refreshments after this Mass on these Sundays. The 2019 rota is on the noticeboard in the kitchen. If you are able to help, please contact the parish office.

#### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY GIVING TREE

Thank you to all the parishioners who were able to leave presents for us to pass to Father Hudson's Homes and our local SVP families. It was a wonderful response to our appeal. Without your support we would not be able to help these families. Thank you all.

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION FOR CHILDREN NOT AT A CATHOLIC SCHOOL

If your child is in Year 3 or above and you would like her/him to be prepared in the parish for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion in June 2019, please make yourself known to Fr. George SCJ, Maria Jenkins or email sacredheartdroitwich@hotmail.co.uk as soon as possible. There will be an initial meeting for parents on **Saturday 13th January after the 10.30 am Mass** in the Parish Hall. Please note the change of date from that originally publicised. The Commitment Mass will be held at 10.30 am on Sunday 3rd February. Preparation classes will start on the following Saturday morning every week from 9.30 am to 11.00 am in the church hall.

#### **THANKSGIVING MASS**

His Grace, Archbishop Bernard, will celebrate a Thanksgiving Mass for Marriage on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> February at 11.00 am at St Chad's Cathedral. Couples who will be celebrating a particular milestone anniversary (10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 40, 45, 50, 60 and every year over 60) are encouraged to attend as well as those newly married or preparing to marry in 2019. Please ask any couples celebrating a milestone anniversary to contact Lianne Pap via email at lianne.pap@ rc-birmingham.org with 'Marriage Mass' as the subject. Lianne is also trying to find the longest married couple in the Diocese and the Communications Team will be interviewing couples who get in touch to gather testimonies. To date the longest married couple to get in touch have been married for 62 years!

#### **PARISH MILLENNIUM PROJECT : ASHRAY**

A big thank you to those who have been able to donate laptops for John and Gina Pilley to take to India in February. This will make a big difference to the children at the Ashray school. We are still looking for CDs of children's stories. Another big thank you for the donations that we have received so far. If you have any unwanted CDs of children's stories and would like to donate them to the children at Ashray please contact John or Gina Pilley on 07914 920298 or at ashraydroitwich@gmail.com. Thank you for your support.

#### PARISH CENTENARY CELEBRATION: 2019 - 2021

The Centenary Celebrations will start on Friday June 28th 2019, Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. 2019 is the Centenary of the laying of the Foundation Stone. The celebration will continue until 2021. 2021 is the Centenary of the Consecration of the church when the first Mass was celebrated. Further details about the celebration will be released in due course. We invite all of you to write a prayer for the success of this celebration. The deadline for submitting prayers is Ash Wednesday. Please submit prayers to the Parish Office.

# ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM DIRECTORY 2019

We have seven copies of the new Archdiocesan Directory. These are available on a first come, first served basis from the Parish Office and are priced at £4.50.

### WEDNESDAY ADORATION

Adoration will resume on Wednesday 16th January 2019.

#### FOODBANK

Foodbank are in urgent need of the following items: tea bags (packet of 40 or 80), tinned fruit, tinned potatoes & carrots, coffee (small jars), long life fruit juice, jars of pasta sauce, cartons of custard, jam and biscuits. Items can be placed in the box at the entrance to church. Thank you for your generosity.

# Main Collection: £229.20 Gift Aid: £248.76 Mass Attendance Last Sunday: 293 Thank you for supporting your Parish.

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.

# ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM NEWSLETTER

There are two copies of the latest newsletter from the Archdiocese at the back of church.

# **SECOND COLLECTIONS 2019**

The Archdiocesan Second Collection schedule for 2019 is on the noticeboard at the back of church. Please note that there may be additional second collections depending on requests received by Fr. George SCJ.



# SAVE THE DATES

Please note the following dates in your diaries:

Saturday 16th February and Sunday 17th February 2019

Archbishop Deanery Visitation (Sacred Heart Parish)

# Friday 28th June 2019

Parish Centenary Celebrations begin

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# **DROITWICH SVP**

Sacred Heart SVP can be contacted on 0777 292 7535 or at droitwichsvp @googlemail.com.



# Next Sunday's Mass Readings Isaiah 40: 1-5, 9-11;

Psalm 103; Titus 2: 11-14, 3: 4-7 Luke 3: 15-16, 21-22