

# 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 6: 1-8;
Psalm 137;
1 Corinthians 15: 1-11

Luke 5: 1-11

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This Week 10th February - 17th February (Psalter Week 1)	Holy Mass & Services	Other Events
Sunday 10th February Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C	8.30 am Mike Jennings RIP (AM) 10.30 am James O'Brien RIP (FO) 6.00 pm People of the Parish	After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea in the Hall Traidcraft Stall available
Monday 11th February Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Harry Remedios (KA)	
Tuesday 12th February Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Mike Jennings RIP (T, P & CI)	
Wednesday 13th February Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Cyril Kennerley (MR)	10.00 pm - 9.00 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Thursday 14th February Feast of St. Cyril, Monk, and St. Methodius, Bishop, Patrons of Europe	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Mary Bowditch (CB)	
Friday 15th February Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Marie Helene Rocher (RB)	
Saturday 16th February Feria in Ordinary Time	10.30 am Holy Rosary 11.00 am Special Intention (CS)	11.00 am: Mass with the Sacrament of Anointing 11.30 am: FHC Preparation for Parish Children Deanery Visitation
Sunday 17th February Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C Retiring Collection for Racial Justice	8.30 am Vincenza Eaton RIP(MF) 10.30 am People of the Parish 6.00 pm John Ryan (DR)	After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea in the Hall Piety Stall available Deanery Visitation

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### SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVES

Gerry Ceclich Cynthia Sharkey

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

8.30 am & 10.30 am: Before the angels I will bless you, O

Lord.

6.00 pm: I thank you Yahweh with all my heart. I thank you

Yahweh my God. Each time I call for help you hear

and answer me. I thank you Yahweh my God.

#### 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, Aidan Skinner, 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 **Mike Jennings** who died recently. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. His Requiem Mass will be at 1.30 pm on Friday 22nd February followed by a cremation at 3.15pm at Worcester Crematorium. Please also remember his family members and friends in your kind thoughts and prayers.

#### **DEANERY VISITATION**

Archbishop Bernard Longley will be visiting the parish from Saturday 16th until Sunday 17th February. As part of this visit we would like to invite group leaders to write a brief report of their groups activities during 2018. As well as an outline of the groups activities, this could also include strengths of the group as well as areas that could be improved or any concerns you may have. These reports will be presented to the Archbishop, preferably by representatives of the parish groups, in the Parish Hall after the 10.30 am Mass on Sunday 17th February. As well as the presentation of reports, there will also be a shared table. This is open to all. Please could anyone who would like to attend indicate the number of people in their party and also what they plan to bring to the shared table. There is a clipboard at the back of church. If there are any questions, please contact the Parish Office.

#### **GDPR: PRAYER LIST**

Following queries from parishioners, when a request is made for a name to be added to the prayer list, if the individual is too ill to be able to give permission themselves we will accept the permission if given by their next of kin or close friend. We will need the individual giving permission to confirm that the person named in the prayer list understands that our prayer list is published in paper format and online. We hope that this will make it easier for names to be added to the prayer list. Please contact the parish office if you would like the form to complete to have a name added.

#### PARISH CENTENARY CELEBRATION: 2019 - 2021

The Centenary Celebrations will start on Friday June 28th 2019, Feast 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 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. The best prayer will be selected for use in the church during the period of celebration.

#### **LENT RETREAT 2019**

This retreat is being offered throughout the UK through the "Pathways to God" website www.pathwaystoGod.org. The retreat offers an opportunity to deepen our knowledge of scripture and an introduction to different methods of prayer. The aim is to help people know, love and serve Jesus Christ more deeply. Participants can pray daily during Lent using the online prayer materials, which can be printed for people who would find this easier (this individual time of prayer is at home or wherever you wish). They come together as a group once a week on Wednesdays in Lent (excepting Ash Wednesday) from 7.00 pm until 8.00 pm in the Parish Hall to share how their prayer has been going and to be led through different ways of praying by people involved in the Ignatian spirituality networks. The opening meeting is on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> February. If you are interested please contact Kate Dalgleish on sacredheartdroitwich@hotmail.co.uk or 01905 773258 or Cecilia or Max Jourdier on mandcjourdier@gmail.com. Do come along, with no commitment, to the opening meeting from 7.00 pm until 8.00 pm on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> February to hear more. There is a poster with more information on the noticeboard in the Narthex at the back of the church. Any names and contact numbers provided will be kept for the duration of the retreat only and then destroyed.

# SACRED HEART LADIES GROUP WEDNESDAY 20TH FEBRUARY 7.30 PM - 9.00 PM

With the title of 'Toys with Memories' we are delighted to welcome one of our parishioners, Sue Nixon, along to introduce us to some interesting toys/games from bygone days. Sue will also be accompanied by Georgie who will be making one of his rare appearances!! This could be a trip down memory lane for some of us, so if anyone would like to bring along a 'treasure' it would be a great opportunity to exchange stories and share possible childhood memories. Tea/coffee/biscuits will be available during the meeting and we look forward to a full house.

#### **RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY: 17TH FEBRUARY 2019**

In a world steeped in violence, conflict and discrimination, the Gospel demands that we acknowledge the dignity of the human person, the necessity of building peace, prosperity and justice for all. Please give generously to the collection next Sunday. Funds raised will be used for promoting racial justice in England and Wales.

#### **READERS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

There is a new rota available for the period from Sunday 11th February until the end of May that will be distributed via email. A few copies are available from the Sacristy for those who are not on the distribution list. Please contact Fr. George SCJ if there are any problems. If you are unable to take your turn on the rota, please arrange to swap with someone else. Many thanks.

#### **FOODBANK**

A new wish from Foodbank is on the noticeboard. Items can be placed in the box at the entrance to church. Thank you for your generosity.



## CHILDREN'S LITURGY

There will be
Children's Liturgy on
the following dates
during the 10.30 am
Sunday Mass:
10th February
3rd March
10th March
17th March
24th March
31st March

# HEADTEACHER VACANCY

7th April.

The Headteacher at St. George and St. Teresa RC Primary School in Bentley Heath, Solihull is retiring. Please see the poster on the noticeboard for full details of this role and how to apply. The closing date for applications is Monday 25th February 2019.

Main Collection: £198.65

Gift Aid: £333.00

Mass Attendance Last Sunday: 337

Thank you for supporting your Parish.

The retiring collection for Pro-Life raised: £151.05

Gift Aid: £100.95

Thank you for your generosity.

### ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM NEWSLETTER

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

#### **DROITWICH SVP**

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



### Next Sunday's Mass Readings

Jeremiah 17: 5-8;

Psalm 1;

1 Corinthians 15: 12,

16-20

Luke 6: 17, 20-26

#### 2019 OFFICIAL CATHOLIC DIRECTORY OF ENGLAND AND WALES

This directory will soon be available and can be pre-ordered at www.thecatholicuniverse.com/ecd2019 or by contacting 0161 908 5301. The cost is £46.50 including postage and packing.

#### **REFUGEE COLLECTIONS**

**Refugee Knitting:** Thank you for the vast quantity of knitted hats, so crucial for the refugees well-being during this harsh winter spell. Also once again thank you to the ladies who knit and crochet the children's hats, scarf and glove sets and blankets and package them so beautifully. Wool, patterns, needles and buttons are available in the porch to help defray costs and donations of the same are most welcome.

**Underwear:** Thank you to everyone who contributed to this crucial appeal, your continual kindness and thoughtfulness is so appreciated.

**Hats, Scarves and Gloves:** Thank you for the incredible amount of wonderful items received this month. Your kindness is overwhelming. A particular thank you to the person who donated so many Magic Thermal Gloves.

The next collection date will be Saturday 2nd March.

#### REDDITCH CARMELITE SPIRITUALITY GROUP

You are warmly invited to our next meeting on Saturday 16th February in the parish centre of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church in Redditch. We start with refreshments from 11.15 am after which we will continue our study of Pope Francis exhortation Gaudete et Exsultate. We shall pray and meditate together using Lectio Divina, and continue fellowship over a shared lunch, finishing around 2.30 pm. All welcome for all or part of the meeting.

#### **NEWMAN ASSOCIATION - WORCESTER CIRCLE**

Our Annual General Meeting in on Thursday 21st February at 7.30 pm in St George's Parish Hall, Worcester Please bring a plate to share at a light supper after the meeting. All are welcome.

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

Thank you to everyone for the donations of CDs, DVDs, laptops and stationery collected via St Joseph's School. John, Gina and their daughter Catherine are currently in India visiting the Ashray School. There will be a presentation and report on the visit in the church hall on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March at 7.00 pm. Please put this date in your diaries. While they are away you can follow them on Facebook where there will be daily posts at www.facebook.com/ashraydroitwich. We ask that you keep this project in your prayers.

#### 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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