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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

*Acts 5: 27-32, 40-41;*  
*Psalms 29;*  
*Apocalypse 5: 11-14*  
*John 21: 1-19*

This Week 5th May - 12th May (Psalter Week 3)	Holy Mass & Services	Other Events
<b>Sunday 5th May</b> <b>Third Sunday of Easter</b> <b>Year C</b> Appeal for the Missionary Society of St. Columban	8.30 am Vincenza Eaton RIP (MF) 10.30 am Thanksgiving for the Blessings (RF) 6.00 pm People of the parish	After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea in the Hall Traidcraft Stall available
<b>Monday 6th May</b> Easter Feria	<b>10.00 am Private Intention (BB)</b>	
<b>Tuesday 7th May</b> Easter Feria	<b>9.00 am Morning Prayer</b> 9.15 am Maurice Bayley RIP and Intentions of Maureen Bayley (P & CI)	
<b>Wednesday 8th May</b> Easter Feria	<b>9.00 am Morning Prayer</b> 9.15 am Cussen Family (BB)	<b>10.00 am - 9.00 pm: Exposition of            the Blessed Sacrament.</b> 7.30 pm: Parish Council Meeting
<b>Thursday 9th May</b> Easter Feria	<b>9.00 am Morning Prayer</b> 9.15 am Jordi Murphy O'Toole RIP (GC)	
<b>Friday 10th May</b> Easter Feria	<b>9.00 am Morning Prayer</b> 9.15 am Bourne Family (BB)	<b>7.00 pm - 8.00 pm: Adoration and            Devotion to the Sacred Heart</b>
<b>Saturday 11th May</b> Easter Feria	<b>10.30 am Holy Rosary</b> 11.00 am Holy Mass	10.15 am- 10.45 am: Confessions
<b>Sunday 12th May</b> <b>Fourth Sunday of Easter</b> <b>Year C</b> Retiring Collection for the Clergy Training Fund	8.30 am Tony Burrows RIP (AB) 10.30 am Rita Horne RIP (BB) 6.00 pm Holy Mass	After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea in the Hall Piety Stall available

## **SACRED HEART COMMUNITY**

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## **SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVES**

Gerry Ceclich  
Cynthia Sharkey

## **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

**8.30 am & 10.30 am:** I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me.

**6.00 pm:** My soul give thanks to the Lord all my being bless his holy name. 31 AK.

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## **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, Eileen Dalton, Delores Delaney, Alan Francis, Beryl Hill, Alan Hurst, John Jennings, Sue Nixon, Rosemarie Preece, Michael Sheridan, Aidan Skinner, Jacky Smith, Breda Wightman, Mark Wightman, Richard Wightman, Monsignor Graham Wilkinson & 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 Dalglish. Please note that the newsletter is also placed on the parish website. Thank you for your understanding.**

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## **APPEAL FOR THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF ST. COLUMBAN**

Today there will be an appeal for The Missionary Society of St. Columban. The Missionary Society of St. Columban is a Catholic organization working in sixteen countries with a special commitment to Asia and Latin America. Columbans are missionaries who go in the name of the Church to announce, by deed and word, the good news of Jesus Christ.

## **CHILDREN'S LITURGY**

After many years in the role, Shelagh Young is stepping down as leader of the Children's Liturgy groups. We would like to thank Shelagh for leading the Children's Liturgy Groups and her dedication to the young people in our parish. If anyone is interested in taking over this role, please contact Fr. George SCJ.

## **SVP: CARPETS AND COOKER REQUIRED!!**

The SVP have a client in need of carpets and an electric cooker. If you have such items to spare (clean and not too badly worn, please), do get in touch and we will try to match what you are offering with what we require. If you are able to help, please contact kevin.elizabeth@btinternet.com or alternatively, give your name to Brother Patrick and we will get in touch with you. Thank you.

## REFUGEE ITEMS

Thank you so much for the exquisite knitted and crocheted items donated this month. Also, once again a special thank you to the ladies who sent in the gorgeous blankets, scarf and glove sets and packaged them so beautifully. Also another very special thank you to the ladies who regularly knit such vast quantities of beautiful hats and scarves. These items will be so treasured by the people in the camps. As mentioned previously there will be no May collection; please keep knitting for the collection on Saturday 1st June.

## SACRED HEART LADIES GROUP

Another year has flown by and so it is once again time for our Annual General Meeting. This is on Wednesday 15th May from 7.30 pm until 9.30 pm in the Parish Hall so please make a real effort to join us as there are a lot of important decisions to be made. As an 'enticement' there will also be some nice cake to accompany the tea/coffee.

## SUMMER CAMP 2019

A week packed with dynamic talks, adrenaline filled activities and powerful moments of prayer! Join over 200 young people who come to Alton Castle each year for the best camp ever! Open to all 12-18 year olds, this week is a life-changing experience not to be missed! Choose from one of two weeks: 4th-8th August or 11th-15th August 2019. For more information visit [www.bcys.co.uk](http://www.bcys.co.uk) or email [beccy.roseman@kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk](mailto:beccy.roseman@kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk).

## JOB VACANCIES

Please see the noticeboard for details of two job vacancies. The first position is an Administrative Assistant with the Archdiocese of Birmingham and the second position is an Office Administrator with the Birmingham Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes.

## NEWMAN ASSOCIATION - WORCESTER CIRCLE

The next meeting will be on Thursday 16th May at 7.30 pm at St. George's Parish Hall, Worcester. Judith Champ will be speaking on *The History and the Identity of the Contemporary Priesthood in England and Wales*. All are welcome; non-members £3.00. The Newman Association summer outing is on Thursday 27th June. There are a few places left for the guided tours of Baddesley Clinton House and Harvington Hall. Further details from Heather Down on 01905 21535 or email: [hcdownd@gmail.com](mailto:hcdownd@gmail.com)

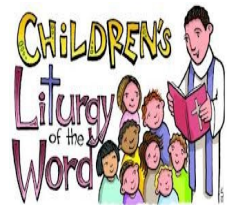
## A THOUGHT FROM THE HOLY FATHER

"Each one of us is a small stone, but in Jesus' hands we participate in the building of the Church. All of us, in as much as small, have been made "living stones", because when Jesus takes the stone in His hands, He makes it His, He makes it alive, full of life by the Holy Spirit, full of life from His love and thus we have a place and a mission in the Church: She is a community of life, made up of very many stones, all different, which from one edifice in the sign of fraternity and communion"

Pope Francis -August 27,2017

## FOOD BANK & REFUGEE COLLECTION ITEMS

Please leave the food and clothing you bring for these collections in the wooden cupboards in the church porch where it says **FOOD BANK** or **CLOTHING**. Please do not leave them outside.



## CHILDREN'S LITURGY

There will be Children's Liturgy on the following Sundays during the 10.30 am Mass:  
Sunday 5th May,  
Sunday 12th May,  
Sunday 19th May,  
Sunday 9th June,  
Sunday 16th June,  
Sunday 23rd June,  
Sunday 30th June,  
Sunday 7th July,  
Sunday 14th July.

**Main Collection:**

**£201.25**

**Gift Aid: £217.85**

**Mass Attendance**

**Last Sunday: 312**

**Thank you for  
supporting your  
Parish.**

**ARCHDIOCESE OF  
BIRMINGHAM  
NEWSLETTER**

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

**DROITWICH SVP**

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**Next Sunday's Mass**

**Readings**

*Acts 13: 14, 43-52;*

*Psalms 99;*

*Apocalypse 7: 9, 14-17*

*John 10: 27-30*

*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.*

**SAVE THE DATE! SATURDAY 11TH MAY**

March for Life UK is happening in London. Join thousands of other pro-lifers in creating awareness of the hurt and damage abortion causes and helping to promote a culture of life. Inside festival (LifeFest19) from 9.30 am until 1.30 pm. Booking is required. March starts at 2.00 pm (no booking required). For more information please see the poster on the noticeboard or go to [marchforlife.co.uk](http://marchforlife.co.uk) or call 07773 501721/07885 505116.

**MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER NON-RESIDENTIAL WEEKEND AT ST. MARY'S  
ON THE HILL, WEDNESBURY**

This is an enrichment weekend on the 29th and 30th of June 2019 for normal, ordinary marriages (NOT counselling). M.E. weekends have proved time and time again to be of immense value to couples however long they have been married. All discussions are private to the participating couples; there is no group work. Take advantage of a fairly local weekend! For further information go to [www.wwme.org.uk](http://www.wwme.org.uk) or contact Phil & Rita Jackson on 0121 2447762 or email [wackojacko456@hotmail.com](mailto:wackojacko456@hotmail.com).

**BDES COURSE**

The Birmingham Diocesan Education Service are offering a course on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May entitled *A day for practising Catholics aspiring for a leadership role in our schools in the Archdiocese of Birmingham*. The course is at Birmingham Diocesan Education Service, Don Bosco House, Coleshill. B46 3EA from 8.30 am until 3.30 pm. To book please go to <http://w.pfrms.co/bj4jc> or visit [www.bdes.org.uk](http://www.bdes.org.uk)

**DIRECTION FOR OUR TIMES**

The *Heaven Speaks* booklets, covering 20 topics, are available in the church porch. They cost £1.40 each and you are asked to pay that if you can - but do not be deterred from taking a booklet if you believe it will be of help to you or another and you cannot afford the full amount. They were given by locution to Anne, a Lay Apostle of Jesus the Returning King, by Jesus, Mary and various saints. There is a wall box labelled **DIRECTION FOR OUR TIMES** for the money. Placed at the back of the church there are larger books, written by Anne under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, available to be borrowed.

**SAVE THE DATE**

Please note the following date in your diaries:

**Saturday 22nd June 2019**

First Holy Communion Mass at 11.00 am

**Friday 28th June 2019**

Parish Centenary Celebrations begin