

SACRED HEART & ST CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA

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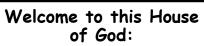




Proverbs 8: 22-31; Psalm 8:

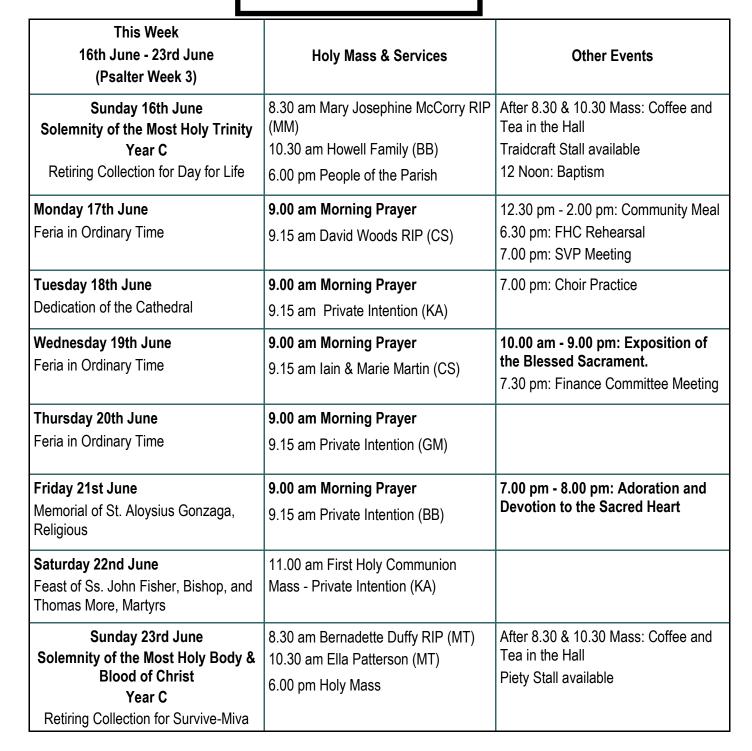
Romans 5: 1-5;

Matthew 16: 12-15



Talk to God before Mass **Listen** to God during Mass

Talk to others after Mass



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RESPONSORIAL PSALM

8.30 am & 10.30 am: How great is your name, O Lord our

God, through all the earth!

6.00 pm: Sing, sing x3 Sing people of God sing, sing with

one accord. Sing! People of God sing, sing praises to

the Lord.

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, Frank Fawcett, Alan Francis, Joan Graham, Beryl Hill, Alan Hurst, John Jennings, Sue Nixon, Rosemarie Preece, Michael Sheridan, Aidan Skinner, Jacky Smith, Paul 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 Dalgleish. Please note that the newsletter is also placed on the parish website. Thank you for your understanding.

BAPTISM

We welcome into our parish family and into the Universal Church a child who will receive the Sacrament of Baptism today. Please keep this child and its parents in your kind thoughts and prayers.

CENTENARY CELEBRATION

The Centenary Celebration will begin on Friday 28th June with the Feast of the Sacred Heart. The Solemn Mass will begin at 7.00 pm followed by a fellowship meal and entertainment. Please bring your own drinks. It will be greatly appreciated if you could come forward with some entertainment for the programme on this evening. Donations would be gratefully received to help cover the expense of the celebration. Tickets for this celebration will be issued as a maximum of 100 people can be seated in the Parish Hall. These are available after each Mass on Sundays and from the Presbytery during the week.

MASS INTENTIONS

The first available date for Mass Intention requests for the 8.30 am Mass is currently Sunday 21st July. We make every effort to accommodate Mass Intentions on the dates requested however this is not always possible due to prior bookings or late changes to the daily Mass schedule. When submitting a Mass Intention request, please could you provide a phone number or email address so that we can contact you if needed. Due to GDPR regulations, with the exception of deceased individuals, we are unable to publish names unless the Request for Mass Intention Form at the back of church is completed. If we do not have a form the Intention will be listed in the newsletter and stated at Mass as Private Intention.

CHOIR PRACTICE

The next choir practice is on Tuesday 18th June at 7.00 pm. New members are always welcome if you would like to join us.

SACRED HEART LADIES GROUP: WEDNESDAY 19TH JUNE

Time for us to be out and about again and this time we are off to Harvington Hall, DY10 4LR. Jo Gylee has kindly arranged for us to have a guided tour followed by tea and cake (of course!!). Could all those attending please be at the venue for 1.50 pm as the tour has been organised for 2.00 pm. This promises to be a really interesting and informative afternoon with lots to see and investigate. Anyone requiring a lift should please contact a Committee member in order to make arrangements.

NEW YOUTH GROUP

The parish committee believe that the establishment and development of a new Youth Group (Age range 11-18 years split 11-14 and 15-18 years) would be a desirable project for the Centenary celebration. After some discussion and outside guidance from the Birmingham Catholic Youth Society the committee has concluded that the best way to achieve this target would be to employ a qualified youth worker in the parish. It is hoped that the expense of this could be shared with another parish or some other Catholic organisation. Before the project is formally adopted and commitments are made it is important to establish that there is a demand for such a group from the young people of the parish and their parents or guardians. In this week's Newsletter and also at the back of church is a very brief questionnaire that we ask all interested parishioners to complete and return to Fr George within the next two weeks. Everyone completing this form will receive a further questionnaire that will ensure that the Youth Group set up is relevant and meets the requirements of the youth of the parish. If you don't have any youngsters who would be involved with this but would like to support the project by donation or helping with fund raising please also complete the form. Please take an active part in this project as it can only proceed if there is real support for it from those who will use it.

SUMMER GARDEN PARTY: SATURDAY 13TH JULY

Last year we held our first Parish Garden Party. Many people commented how enjoyable the event had been so we are going to repeat the experience. While many parishioners attended, it would be lovely if many more of you committed to supporting this great social opportunity for our parish. We will be holding a big raffle and tickets will go on sale from today. Please take some books of tickets to buy yourself and to sell to your relatives, friends and neighbours. While we have some great prizes already, please sign up to donate additional prizes if you can. There will be a clipboard for this purpose at the back of Church. Our raffle is always a great money-spinner for the parish so please help to make this a huge success. We plan to hold our garden party in both the Parish Hall and gardens with a delightful afternoon tea. It is a wonderful opportunity to meet up with people from all three of our Masses. In addition, we hope to have a small range of stalls including Tombola, Cakes and Toiletries. How can I help? For the next few weeks we would like you to bring in items for the various stalls together with raffle prizes. For the next couple of weeks can you bring in items for the Tombola stall and place them in the box at the back of church. Items need to be new, not used: bottles, both alcoholic, and non-alcoholic, gifts, sweets - you know the sort of things we need!

Please reserve the date and support our event in any way you can.

PARISH HALL KEYHOLDERS

There is a need for more people to join the existing team of keyholders who open and close the hall for the groups that use it. If you are able to help, please contact the Parish Office. Many thanks.

Our children are receiving their First Holy Communion on Saturday. Please pray for them and their families.



FOODBANK & 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 16th June,
Sunday 23rd June,
Sunday 30th June,
Sunday 7th³July,
Sunday 14th July.

Main Collection: £237.53

Gift Aid: £208.91 Mass Attendance Last Sunday: 271 Thank you for supporting your

Additional donation for Catholic Communications: £5.50

Parish.

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.

RiDL

The Retreat in
Daily Life group will
meet on Thursday 20th
June at 7.30 pm,
focussing on Luke 8:
26-29. All are welcome.
If you would like to
attend or need more
information please
contact Debbie Prigg on
01905 771288 or
dprigg@btinternet.com.



Next Sunday's Mass Readings

Genesis 14: 18-20; Psalm 109; 1 Corinthians 11:

> 23-26; Luke 9: 11-17

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.

DIRECTION FOR OUR TIMES

Jesus is giving Anne, who lives in County Cavan in Ireland, a series of 12 locutions supporting us in the challenges of our present times. Copies of the six received so far are available at the back of the church. Any enquiries to lain and Marie Martin on 01905 798130.

MISSIO: RED BOXES

Please could **all** box holders kindly bring your boxes to church at your convenience from **Saturday 15**th **June until Sunday 30**th **June.** It is my last year as Missio Local Secretary for our Parish as I am soon to leave the UK. I am now calling for someone to come forward in order to continue this wonderful cause. Please contact the Parish Office at sacredheartdroitwich@hotmail.co.uk or on 01905 773258 if you are interested in taking over. With thanks and best wishes. Maria.

REFUGEE KNITTING

Once again, thank you so much for the beautiful blankets, jumpers, gloves and hats which will be sent to the camps in Northern Europe and beyond. A special thank you to the person who knitted so many exquisite jumpers.

UNDERWEAR AND OTHER REFUGEE ITEMS

Again thank you for your continual support, particularly to those who regularly buy underwear. A special thank you also for the carrier bag full of face flannels and the vast quantity of toiletries recently received. These items will be so appreciated by the recipients. The next collection will take place on **Friday** 5th July.

CONFIRMATION FOR CHILDREN NOT IN CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

If your child is currently in Year 5 or above and you would like to have your child prepared to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, please could you contact Fr. George SCJ as soon as possible. There will be an initial meeting for parish children, time and date to be confirmed, prior to any meetings at St. Joseph's and the Confirmation Commitment Mass.

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

Sacred Heart Feast Day: Parish Centenary Celebrations begin

Saturday 13th July 2019

Summer Garden Party

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