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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
Ecclesiastes 1: 2, 2: 21-23;
Psalm 89;
Colossians 3: 1-5, 9-11;
Luke 12: 13-21

This Week 4th August - 11th August (Psalter Week 2)	Holy Mass & Services	Other Events
Sunday 4th August Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C	8.30 am Patrick Cussen RIP (EK) 10.30 am Mary O'Donnell RIP (MO) 6.00 pm J & M Ryan (DR)	After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea in the Hall
Monday 5th August Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Patrick Cussen RIP (MD)	12.30 pm - 2.00 pm: Community Meal
Tuesday 6th August Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Sarah Sheen Trueman RIP (JS)	
Wednesday 7th August Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Vincenza Eaton RIP (MF)	10.00 am - 9.00 pm: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.
Thursday 8th August Memorial of St. Dominic, Priest	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Frances, Ernie & David Veale (MD)	
Friday 9th August Feast of St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (Edith Stein), Virgin, Martyr, Patron of Europe	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Patrick Cussen RIP (LH)	9.45 am - 10.15 am: Adoration and Devotion to the Sacred Heart
Saturday 10th August Feast of St. Lawrence, Deacon, Martyr	10.30 am Holy Rosary 11.00 am Mr. & Mrs. Wareham (ST)	10.15 am - 10.45 am: Confessions
Sunday 11th August Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C	8.30 am Vincenza Eaton RIP (MF) 10.30 am Patrick Cussen RIP (D & BO'H) 6.00 pm People of the Parish	After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea in the Hall

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM

8.30 am & 10.30 am: O Lord, you have been our refuge from
one generation to the next.
6.00 pm: O that today you would listen to his voice; harden
not your hearts. (28AK).

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, Eileen Dalton,
Delores Delaney, Frank Fawcett, Alan Francis, Joan Graham, Beryl Hill, Alan
Hurst, John Jennings, Andrew McDermott, Sue Nixon, Rosemarie Preece,
Michael Sheridan, Aidan Skinner, Jacky Smith, Paul Smith, Angela Wardle,
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.**

8.30 AM CHOIR HOLIDAY

The 8.30 am Choir had August off last year, and this year, for health reasons,
the break is starting earlier, with no choir singing from Sunday 21st July until
Sunday 1st September. When we start again, we will be appealing for more
of you to join us upstairs, but we do appreciate very much the good singing
from the congregation, which we have always welcomed and encouraged.
Thank you.

PARISH SECRETARY

During the school summer holidays, my working days and hours may vary
from usual and I will be out of the office from Monday 12th August until
Friday 16th August inclusive. If I am unavailable and you need to speak to
someone urgently please contact Caroline Healy on 01905 779437 for any
queries relating to the Parish Hall and Father George SCJ for everything
else. Many thanks, Kate Dalglish.

THE SOWER

Copies of the Summer Edition of *The Sower* are available from the back of
church. This is a free magazine produced by the Archdiocese. *The Sower*
can also be found at <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/diocesan-magazine>.

CONFIRMATION 2019: UPDATED!

There will be a meeting at St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School for all
Candidates and their parents on Wednesday 18th September at 6.30 pm.
This will be followed by the Confirmation Commitment Mass on **Sunday
29th September at 10.30 am**. If your child is currently in Year 5 or above
and **not** at St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School please could you contact Fr.
George SCJ as soon as possible if would like to have your child prepared to
receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this year.

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. At the back of church is a very brief questionnaire that we ask all interested parishioners to complete and return to Fr George. 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. There is also a Facebook page for the Youth Group that can be found at <https://www.facebook.com/SHCYouthGroupDroitwich/>. At the moment not many forms have been returned, if you have not already done so, please take and complete a questionnaire and return to Fr. George. 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.

POLITE REQUEST

Please do not leave items on the floor in the entrance way to church. Any donations for Foodbank and the Refugee collections can be placed in the cupboards in the entrance way to church. If for any reason these are full please speak to Fr. George, Brother Patrick or contact the Parish Office. If you would like to leave large items or bigger bags that will not fit please could you contact the parish office first. Many thanks for your understanding, co-operation and continued generosity to the charity collections.

HARVINGTON PILGRIMAGE - SUNDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER

This year the Annual Pilgrimage to Harvington Hall, Shrine of the English Martyrs, is on Sunday 1st September. Mass is at 3.00 pm with Confessions from 1.45 pm until 2.30 pm. Rt. Rev. David McGough, Auxiliary Bishop of Birmingham, will be the principal celebrant. Free timed tours of Harvington Hall are available to all pilgrims on the day and can be booked in the Hall's courtyard when you arrive. Please bring your own chairs. All information is on the poster on the noticeboard.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKENDS

There will be a Engaged Encounter Weekend from Saturday 12th October until Sunday 13th October at The Dormer Conference Centre, Leamington Spa for those preparing for marriage and a Marriage Encounter Weekend from Friday 22nd November until Sunday 24th November at the Ibis Hotel, Rugby for marriage enrichment. For more information about Marriage Encounter and the above weekends visit their website at <https://wwme.org.uk/> or email bookings@wwme.org.uk.

FOODBANK

There is a new wish list on the noticeboard. Any donations can be placed in the wooden cupboards in the church porch. Thank you for your generosity.

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.

PRAYER LIST

Due to GDPR regulations, we now need consent to publish a name in the prayer list for sick parishioners in the newsletter. There are forms available from the Narthex if you would like yourself or a family member or friend named in this list.

THANK YOU

Pax Christi and Survive-Miva have written to thank all those who have contributed to recent collections. These posters are on the noticeboard.

Main Collection:

£275.21

Gift Aid: £206.50

Mass Attendance

Last Sunday: 236

**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.



Next Sunday's Mass

Readings

Wisdom 18: 6-9;

Psalms 32;

Hebrews 11: 1-2, 8-19;

Luke 12: 32-48

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 Iain and Marie Martin on 01905 798130.

PARISH TRAINING SESSIONS

The Archdiocese will be providing training sessions for parishes through to November. The training sessions will be regarding finance, property, GDPR (General Data Protection Regulation) and safeguarding. The training will be for Priests, parish staff, volunteers and parishioners. There are sessions at the Parish of Christ the King and Our Lady of Lourdes, Coventry on Saturday 21st September, St. Chad's Cathedral (Grimshaw Room) on Saturday 26th October, the Parish of Holy Trinity Church, Newcastle on Saturday 2nd November and St. George's, Worcester on Saturday 23rd November. The sessions run from 10.00 am until 3.30 pm. If you would like to take part in any of the training sessions please confirm your attendance in advance by contacting our Property Administrator, Lewis Massey: lewis.massey@rc-birmingham.org. When confirming your attendance, please leave your full name, the Parish you attend and your position within that Parish. If you have any further questions, please don't hesitate to contact Clare O'Brien on 0121 230 6231 or Steve Roche on 0121 230 6220, based at Cathedral House.

BAPTISED & SENT: OUR CALL TO BE MISSIONARY DISCIPLES

SATURDAY 12TH OCTOBER, 10.00 AM TO 5.00 PM, AT ST. PETER'S RC SCHOOL, SOLIHULL

This is the 2019 Diocesan Justice & Peace Assembly, which is celebrating the Extraordinary Missionary Month, declared by Pope Francis for October 2019, by inviting you to reflect on your experiences, celebrating and putting in to action the call to mission for justice, peace and care for creation. Join Archbishop Bernard Longley, the Columban Missionaries and people from across the diocese to explore our call to be missionary disciples. Email events@columbans.co.uk or register online http://bit.ly/JandP_Assembly2019.

SAVE THE DATE

Please note the following date in your diaries:

Confirmation Commitment Mass

Sunday 29th September at 10.30 am