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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 T**alk** to others after Mass



Today's Mass Readings

Exodus 17: 8-13; Psalm 120; 2 Timothy 3: 14 - 4: 2; Luke 18: 1-8

This Week 20th October - 27th October (Psalter Week 1)	Holy Mass & Services	Other Events
Sunday 20th October Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C Retiring Collection for World Mission Sunday	 8.30 am Robert Preece RIP, Nessa & Patrick Cruise RIP (RP) 10.30 am Private Intention (BB) 6.00 pm People of the Parish 	After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea in the Hall 12 Noon: Baptism
Monday 21st October Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Holy Rosary 9.15 am Holy Mass	12.30 pm - 2.00 pm: Community Meal 6.45 pm: Parish Hall Keyholders Meeting 7.00 pm: SVP Meeting
Tuesday 22nd October Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Holy Rosary 9.15 am Beryl Hill (MM)	7.00 pm: Choir Practice
Wednesday 23rd October Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Holy Rosary 9.15 am Holy Mass	10.00 am - 9.00 pm: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.
Thursday 24th October Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Holy Rosary 9.15 am Holy Mass	
Friday 25th October Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Holy Rosary 9.15 am Alan Remedios RIP (KA)	9.45 am - 10.15 am: Adoration and Devotion to the Sacred Heart
Saturday 26th October Feria in Ordinary Time	10.30 am Holy Rosary 11.00 am Peter Checketts RIP (SD)	10.15 am - 10.45 am: Confessions
Sunday 27th October Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C	8.30 am Vincenza Eaton RIP (MF) 10.30 am Lisa Polimidioti (MS) 6.00 pm People of the Parish	After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea in the Hall 12 Noon: Baptism Piety Stall in the Hall after Mass

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM

8.30 am & 10.30 am:

Our help is in the name of the Lord who made heaven and earth.

6.00 pm: I lift up mine eyes, O I lift up mine eyes, I lift up mine eyes to the Lord. From whence shall come my help? From whence shall come my help? I lift up mine eyes to the Lord. (34 AK).

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, Catherine Copper, Eileen Dalton, Delores Delaney, Frank Fawcett, Alan Francis, Joan Graham, Beryl Hill, Alan Hurst, John Jennings, Andrew McDermott, Stella McDermott, Rosemarie Preece, Michael Sheridan, Aidan Skinner, Jacky Smith, Paul Smith, Margaret Steward, 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 Dalgleish. Please note that the newsletter is also placed on the parish website. Thank you for your understanding.

BOXING CLEVER

Is your first box full yet? Are you doing your bit to help for our upcoming Christmas Fayre by filling a box or two with goodies to donate. We are relying on you!

Our Christmas Fayre is planned for **Saturday 30th November** starting at noon and we are looking for donations to use on our *Toiletries, Tombola, Books and Toy stalls*. Items need to be in mint condition for tombola and toiletries and good condition for books and toys. Take this opportunity to have a clear-out of your children's toy-cupboard to see what they have grown out of, or never use. It is a chance to recycle and to allow someone else to get pleasure from little used toys and games, puzzles, bikes and scooters; even electronic games or kit that have some useful life left in them that others will appreciate. We will ask you to bring in your full box(es) in November, **but now is the time for you to get to work filling them up!**

What a wonderful event it will be if each and every parishioner turns out on the day to make our Christmas Fayre both a social and financial success. Scrumptious seasonal refreshments will be available for sale on the day together with our renowned **Cake Stall**.

THANKSGIVING MASS

In recognition of the Centenary of the laying of the Foundation Stone at the Sacred Heart Church, there will be a Thanksgiving Mass at 7.00 pm on Monday 25th November. This will be followed by coffee and tea in the Hall. All are welcome.

READERS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

There is a new rota available for the period from Sunday 13th October until Sunday 2nd February that has been 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.

SACRED HEART MILLENNIUM PROJECT - ASHRAY INVITATION

John and Gina Pilley intend to visit Ashray in Varanasi, India, towards the end of January 2020. If any parishioner is interested in joining our party to see the wonderful work that our parish is supporting then please contact John and Gina at ashraydroitwich@gmail.com or by phone on 07914 920298.

ANNUAL SPONSORED WALK

Thank you for supporting Fr. George and Brother Patrick on their sponsored walk to raise money for the Sacred Heart Fathers' Missionary work in India. Any sponsorship money can either be passed to Fr. George or Brother Patrick or given in to the Parish Office. The amount raised to date is £1,130.00. Thank you for your generosity.

PARISH THANK YOU EVENING

To thank the many volunteers who give their time to the Sacred Heart Parish, Fr. George SCJ is hosting a Thank You Evening in the Parish Hall on Friday 6th December at 7.00 pm. If you volunteer and would like to attend, please add your name to the list at the back of church so that we know how many to cater for. The deadline for signing up is Friday 15th November.

MARIAN DEVOTION



The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary, one of the best known Catholic devotions. It is a good time to commit ourselves to praying the Rosary every day, especially at home with family members and friends or join the parish community at 9.00 from Monday to Friday or 10.30 am on Saturday from Monday 21st October until Thursday 31st October.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

World Mission Sunday is an opportunity for every Catholic community in the world to support the missionary work of the Church through prayer and offerings. Any donations will go directly towards helping those in areas of poverty across the world. Please give generously to the second collection; gift aid envelopes are available from the pews. Thank you.

CHOIR PRACTICE

The next choir practice is on Tuesday 22nd October at 7.00 pm. New members are always welcome if you would like to join us.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY

There will be Children's Liturgy on the following Sundays during the 10.30 am Mass: 3rd November, 10th November, 17th November, 24th November, 1st December, 8th December.

PARISH HALL

We have had to replace the lock on the Parish Hall outer door. If you currently have a key and have not yet had a replacement, please could you contact the parish office. **Please** do not use an old key in the lock as it will jam. You will need your existing key to swap for the new one. Many thanks. Kate Dalgleish.

FOODBANK

There is a thank you letter and certificate on the noticeboard from Foodbank in recognition of parishioners continued support. Main Collection: £240.75 Gift Aid: £254.85 Mass Attendance Last Sunday: 211 Thank you for supporting your Parish.

Additional donations for CAFOD: £15.00 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 Ecclesiasticus 35: 12-14, 16-19; Psalm 32; 2 Timothy 4: 6-8, 16-18; Luke 18: 9-14 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.

REFUGEE DONATIONS

Thank you so much for the beautiful, knitted children's hats, scarves and gloves, they are so needed with the cold weather looming. Wool, patterns and needles are available in the cupboards at the back of the church to help defray your costs and donations of the same are most welcome. A further massive thank you to those who regularly support the appeal for underwear. Your generosity is truly overwhelming. Finally thank you so much to those who have donated many miscellaneous items to the appeal, too many to list separately, but your kindness and thoughtfulness is so appreciated. The next collection will be on Saturday 2nd November.

DROITWICH FAIRTRADE GROUP

Please see the poster on the noticeboard for details of the Special General Meeting of this group.

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN DROITWICH

Church Together in Droitwich are again planning to distribute knitted angels around Droitwich as a Christmas message. If you would like to help knit then details of where to find the pattern are on the noticeboard.

CONNECT WEEKEND CONFERENCE

This event is organised by Life and will take place at the Maryvale Institute from Saturday 2nd November until Sunday 3rd November. On-site accommodation is provided. The conference is aimed at bringing together young people interested in the prolife movement and principles but who are not yet certain about where they stand on these issues, or not yet confident in acting on their beliefs. For more information and to book visit https://www.connectconference.co.uk. Bookings need to be made by Monday 28th October 2019.

SAVE THE DATES Please note the following dates in your diaries: Thanksgiving Mass Monday 25th November at 7.00 pm Parish Christmas Fayre Saturday 30th November from 12 noon to 3.00 pm Confirmation Mass Tuesday 3rd December at 7.00 pm Parish Thank You Evening

Friday 6th December at 7.00 pm