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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

Malachi 3: 19-20;
Psalm 97;
2 Thessalonians 3: 7-12
Luke 21: 5-19

This Week 17th November - 24th November (Psalter Week 1)	Holy Mass & Services	Other Events
Sunday 17th November Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C	8.30 am Vincenza Eaton RIP (MF) 10.30 am Myra Vines RIP (CL) 6.00 pm People of the Parish	After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea in the Hall Piety & Traidcraft Stalls in the Hall after Mass World Day of the Poor
Monday 18th November Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Mary Clapham RIP (MB)	12.30 pm - 2.00 pm: Community Meal 6.45 pm: Parish Hall Keyholders Meeting 7.00 pm: SVP Meeting
Tuesday 19th November Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Mr. & Mrs. Mathew (AS)	
Wednesday 20th November Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Mrs. M Paling RIP (MB)	10.00 am - 9.00 pm: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 7.30 pm: Parish Council Meeting 7.30 pm: Sacred Heart Ladies Group
Thursday 21st November Memorial of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Deceased Members of the Baldry Family (MB)	
Friday 22nd November Memorial of St. Cecilia, Virgin, Martyr	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Gladys Remedios (KA)	9.45 am - 10.15 am: Adoration and Devotion to the Sacred Heart
Saturday 23rd November Feria in Ordinary Time	10.30 am Holy Rosary 11.00 am Thanksgiving for 8 Years of Wednesday Adoration (C & PI)	10.15 am - 10.45 am: Confessions
Sunday 24th November Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Year C Retiring Collection for the Catholic Youth Services	8.30 am Peter Regan (BB) 10.30 am Christine Feetenby (D & B O'H) 6.00 pm People of the Parish	After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea in the Hall Traidcraft Stall in the Hall after Mass

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM

8.30 am & 10.30 am: The Lord comes to rule the peoples with
fairness.

6.00 pm: Sing a new song to the Lord: sing to the Lord all the
earth! AK 29.

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 Dalglish. Please note that the newsletter is also
placed on the parish website. Thank you for your understanding.**

2 WEEKS TO GO - PLEASE BRING IN YOUR BOXES

Things are getting serious now! We are really having to get on with the
last-minute planning for our Parish Christmas Fayre, due to take place on
Saturday 30th November starting at noon. **Now** is the moment to bring in
your donations of goods so we can make this fayre into the best ever. But
having goods for our stalls is one thing – having you there to take part on
the day is far more important! What a disaster it would be if YOU are not
there to enjoy it, so please, please, please reserve the day and come along
to support this special Parish event. We are still looking for contributions to
our **Toiletries, Tombola, Books and Toy stalls**. Items need to be in mint
condition for tombola (gifts for all ages, plus bottles and cans - drinks both
alcoholic and not). Toiletries need to be unused and in good condition.
Books and toys in good saleable condition. 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. There is talk of a **scarves stall**, so please look out any good
quality scarves that you have and never use, and bring them in too – allow
someone else to appreciate them! With just two weeks to go please bring in
your loaded boxes with pride any time from now on. Make this year's
Christmas Fayre into a real event by doing your bit to make our Christmas
Fayre a success? Scrumptious seasonal refreshments will be available for
sale on the day together with our renowned **Cake Stall**. Our best
money-spinner is always our Parish raffle so please redouble your efforts to
make sure you buy lots of tickets in this last couple of weeks and continue
to sell to friends, neighbours and relations and at work. There are some
wonderful prizes to win. Tickets on sale after every Sunday Mass.

THANKSGIVING MASS - PLEASE NOTE NEW START TIME!

In recognition of the Centenary of the laying of the Foundation Stone at the Sacred Heart Church, there will be a Thanksgiving Mass at **7.30 pm** on Monday 25th November. This will be followed by coffee and tea in the Hall. All are welcome.

NOVEMBER : MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

During November we remember and pray especially for those who have died. At the back of church there are "In Remembrance" sheets. If you would like to remember in this special way loved ones who have died, write down their names, place the sheet in one of the envelopes provided and put it in the Holy Souls Box (**do not put any money in the envelope**). The Holy Souls Box will be placed near the altar at each Mass in November.

TRAIDCRAFT STALL

Traidcraft Christmas Cards are now available to order, and samples can be seen on the Traidcraft stall. The stall will be open each Sunday until Christmas. Orders for cards will need to be placed by the end of November. Those attending 10.30 am Mass will catch us until about ten past the hour. If you want to make other arrangements, let us know and we'll see what can be done. After 6.00 pm Mass, the samples and order forms will be at the back of church.

SACRED HEART LADIES GROUP: WEDNESDAY 20TH NOVEMBER

This will be our last meeting for 2019 so it would be great to see as many members as possible. The plan is to have a nice relaxing evening with the opportunity to get together and chat, talk about the future and of course enjoy a mince pie or two with a cup of tea/coffee!! So come along and join us in the Parish Hall from 7.30 pm until 9.30 pm. Gentle reminder: We will also be collecting payment for the Panto tickets.

YOUTH GROUP

Vicki Hamilton, a Youth Ministry Development Worker from the Birmingham Catholic Youth Service, will be visiting the Sacred Heart Church on the weekend of Sunday 24th November to talk about the Youth Group in the parish. Vicki will be running a Youth Group session for children aged 11 to 18 years after the 10.30 am Mass in the Parish Hall. This session will last for about 1 hour and will give a sample of how the new youth group in the parish would be run. It's a great opportunity for young people taking part to have a say on what they would like in a youth group. All the parish youth are welcome as are their parents. There will be a buffet afterwards. If you want a youth group in the parish it is important that this opportunity is well supported

MISSIO: RED BOXES

As we approach December, please allow me to remind you of the last collection for 2019. I would be grateful if **all box holders** could kindly bring your boxes to church at your convenience from **Sunday 17th November until Saturday 30th November**. With thanks and best wishes.

SACRED HEART PARISH HALL KEYHOLDERS

The next meeting of Hall Keyholders will be on Monday 18th November at 6.45 pm in the Romero Room. After this date no further bookings will be accepted for December. This meeting will cover the opening and closing schedules for December 2019 and January 2020.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

There will be Children's Liturgy on the following Sundays during the 10.30 am Mass:

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.

PARISH VISITS

Fr. George SCJ would like to visit all the families in the parish to get to know the families better. These visits will take place by area on weekdays from the first week of Advent onwards. Further information will be given in due course.

Main Collection:

£176.06

Gift Aid: £245.00

Mass Attendance

Last Sunday: 260

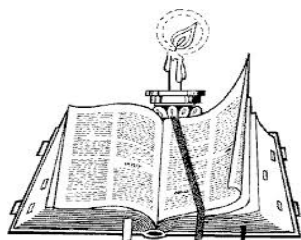
**Thank you for
supporting your
Parish.**

**Additional Gift Aid
donation for the
Johnson Association:
£5.00**

**Thank you for your
generosity.**

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN DROITWICH

Churches 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. Please could any angels be taken to the Methodist Church by Sunday 8th December to allow time to attach the tags.



Next Sunday's Mass Readings

2 Samuel 5: 1-3;

Psalm 121;

Colossians 1: 12-20

Luke 23: 35-43

SVP: THE CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE

The Giving tree will be in the side chapel from Sunday 1st December. For parishioners who are new to our parish the idea is to take an angel from the tree, purchase a present suitable for a child whose details are given on the angel and return it wrapped in suitable paper with the angel attached. There are additional angels in the box by the tree. The last date for bringing the presents to church is Sunday 15th December. The presents will be distributed mainly to Father Hudson homes and some to families supported by St Vincent de Paul Society locally. **Thank you for supporting this annual appeal.**

REFUGEE KNITTED ITEMS

Once again a massive thank you to the parishioner who sends in such vast amounts of beautifully packaged scarf and glove sets for the children. How thrilled they will be to receive such a special gift! Thank you also for the exquisite blankets, baby cardigans and hats received this month. Please help yourselves to the wool and related items in the cupboards at the entrance to offset your costs. Donations of the same are always most welcome.

REFUGEE UNDERWEAR COLLECTION

Thank you so much for the many new items of children's and adults' clothing received this month. Your continual support of this vital collection is so appreciated. With winter approaching if you have any hats, scarves or gloves you can spare, these can also be passed on to the people in the camps. The next collection date is Saturday 7th December.

DIRECTION FOR OUR TIMES

Directions from heaven for us all through these present challenging times. Sunday 8th December after 6pm Mass: tea and coffee, DVD and talk as introduction to the Lay Apostolate of Jesus the Returning King and its publishing arm, Direction for Our Times. Books and pictures on sale. Vol. 5, Monday 3rd May 2004: Jesus: *My children experience many fears with regard to their worldly existence and their physical safety...When you begin to feel fear, you must think of heaven...[Y]ou are coming to a vast area of love and joy and wonder. There is no fear here.*

FOODBANK - NEW WISH LIST

There is a new wish list for November on the noticeboard. Please could any donations be placed in the box in the church porch. Thank you for your continued generosity.

SAVE THE DATES

Please note the following dates in your diaries:

Thanksgiving Mass

Monday 25th November at 7.30 pm - **please note new time**

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