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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

Isaiah 49: 3, 5-6;

Psalm 39;

I Corinthians 1: 1-3

John 1: 29-34

This Week 19th January - 26th January (Psalter Week 2)	Holy Mass & Services	Other Events
Sunday 19th January Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A Retiring Collection for Pax Christi	8.30 am Vincenza Eaton RIP (MF) 10.30 am Ann & Frank Ginty (MG) 6.00 pm Sr. Veronica ODC RIP (I & MM)	After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea in the Hall
Monday 20th January Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Holy Communion Service	12.30 pm - 2.00 pm: Community Meal 7.00 pm - 9.00 pm: SVP Meeting
Tuesday 21st January Memorial of St. Agnes, Virgin, Martyr	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Holy Communion Service	
Wednesday 22nd January Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Holy Communion Service	10.00 am - 9.00 pm: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Thursday 23rd January Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Holy Communion Service	
Friday 24th January Memorial of St. Francis de Sales, Bishop, Doctor of the Church	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Holy Communion Service	1.30 pm: Church Tour (Private Group)
Saturday 25th January Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul	10.30 am Holy Rosary 11.00 am Holy Communion Service	
Sunday 26th January Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A	8.30 am Deceased members of the Rawlings Family (S & SR) 10.30 am Philip Moody RIP (BB) 6.00 pm Francis McCabe RIP (GMcG)	After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea in the Hall

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM

8.30 am, 10.30 am & 6.00 pm:

Here I am, Lord! I come to do your will.

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, Michael Sheridan, Aidan Skinner, Jacky Smith, Paul Smith,
Margaret Steward, Angela Wardle, Breda Wightman, Mark Wightman,
Richard Wightman & Monsignor Graham Wilkinson

**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.**

RECENTLY DECEASED

Your prayers are asked for **Barry Hill & Kenneth Bourne** who died recently.
May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy
of God rest in peace. Please keep their family and friends in your kind
thoughts and prayers.

PAX CHRISTI: PEACE SUNDAY

Every year Pax Christi promotes the Holy Father's World Peace Day
Message on the 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time. The theme for 2020 is *Peace
as a Journey of Hope: Dialogue, Reconciliation and Ecological Conversion*.
Pax Christi is present in 50 countries: an international network of people of
goodwill, inspired by our faith to work for peace built on justice,
reconciliation and nonviolent change. Today there will be a retiring
collection for Pax Christi. Please support this collection and the work of Pax
Christi. Thank you for your generosity.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION FOR CHILDREN NOT AT A CATHOLIC SCHOOL

If your child is in Year 3 or above and you would like her/him to be
prepared in the parish for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy
Communion in June 2020, please make yourself known to Fr. George SCJ,
Maria Jenkins or email sacredheartdroitwich@hotmail.co.uk as soon as
possible. There will be an initial meeting for parents on Tuesday 28th
January at 6.30pm. The Commitment Mass will be held at 10.30 am on
Sunday 1st March.

FR. GEORGE SCJ

Fr. George SCJ will be away from the Parish from Wednesday 15th January until Friday 7th February inclusive. Please check the newsletter for details of weekday Masses and Services during this period.

MASS INTENTIONS - UPDATED

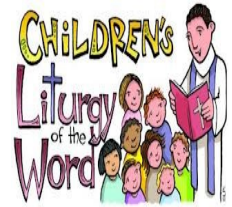
Please note that due to Fr. George being away from the Parish there will be no Weekday or Saturday Mass Intentions from Wednesday 15th January until Friday 7th February inclusive. Any Mass Intentions requested during this period will be moved to a date after Fr. George's return. We make every effort to accommodate Mass Intentions on the dates requested however this is not always possible due to prior bookings. 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. Please note that the next available date for Mass Intentions is currently Saturday 22nd February.

REFUGEE COLLECTIONS

Thank you so much for the tremendous amount of new underwear recently donated and the pre loved hats, scarves and gloves. They will be so gratefully received in the camps. If anyone wishes to knit items to help keep the refugees warm during this cold spell; wool, needles, patterns and buttons are available in the cupboards in the church entrance, and donations of the same can be left here. The next collection day is Saturday 8th February.

ONLINE LENT RETREAT 2020

As in 2019, this retreat is being offered throughout the UK through the "Pathways to God" website www.pathwaystoGod.org/lent-retreat-2020. The retreat offers an opportunity to deepen our knowledge of scripture and an introduction to different methods of prayer. The aim is to help people know, love and serve Jesus Christ more deeply. Participants can pray daily during Lent using the online prayer materials, which can be printed for people who would find this easier (this individual time of prayer is at home or wherever you wish). They come together as a group once a week on Wednesdays in Lent (excepting Ash Wednesday) from 7.00 pm until 8.00 pm in the Parish Hall to share how their prayer has been going and to be led through different ways of praying by people involved in Ignatian spirituality networks. The Opening meeting is on Wednesday 19th February. If you are interested please contact Kate Dalglish on 01905 773258 or at sacredheartdroitwich@hotmail.co.uk or Cecilia or Max Jourdier at mandcjourdier@gmail.com Do come along, with no commitment, to the opening meeting at from 7.00 until 8.00 pm on Wednesday 19th February to hear more. There is a poster and flyers with more information on the noticeboard in the Narthex at the back of the church. Any names and contact numbers provided will be kept for the duration of the retreat only and then destroyed.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY

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

19th January,
26th January,
2nd February,
9th February,
1st March,
8th March,
15th March,
22nd March &
29th March.

PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

Draft minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 20th November are available on the noticeboard at the back of church. Anyone who would like to be sent a copy by email please contact Jenny Leonard on 01905 775596.

Main Collection:

£260.00

Gift Aid: £293.50

Mass Attendance

Last Sunday: 232

**Thank you for
supporting your
Parish.**

**ARCHDIOCESE OF
BIRMINGHAM
DIRECTORY 2020**

We have a limited supply of the 2020 Archdiocesan Directory. These are available on a first come, first served basis from the Parish Office and are priced at £4.50.



Next Sunday's Mass

Readings

Isaiah 8: 23 - 9: 3;

Psalm 26;

I Corinthians 1: 10-13

Matthew 4: 12-23

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.

FOODBANK - NEW WISH LIST

Thanks to the generosity of the people who live in Droitwich and the wider area we had over 6400 kg of food, toiletries and gift donated during the run up to Christmas. If anyone would like to donate there is a new list containing items they always use on the noticeboard. Please could any donations be placed in the box in the church porch. There is a letter and certificate from Foodbank on the noticeboard thank you all for your continued generosity.

ALTAR SERVERS MASS AT ST. CHAD'S CATHEDRAL

The Guild of St. Stephen's Thanksgiving Mass will take place on Saturday 7th March at 12 Noon. Bishop David McGough will preside and preach at the Mass which will be followed by Adoration and refreshments. All Altar Servers and their families are invited to attend. Please confirm your attendance to kathryn@vocations.org.uk before Friday 14th February.

PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK SHRINE

There will be a fully escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland from Monday 20th April 2020. The price is £599.00 per person sharing. This includes flight with 10 kg hand luggage, all transfers, 4 nights' in Knock House Hotel with breakfast and dinner. All entertainment and excursions included. Lunches on days out. Wheelchair accessible rooms. Single room supplement £100. Contact Patricia on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com for further information or to book. Knock Pilgrimages is a member of the Travel Trust Association and is fully protected by ATOL T7613.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Please note the following dates in your diaries:

Lent Retreat Opening Meeting

Wednesday 19th February at 7.00 pm

First Holy Communion Commitment Mass

Sunday 1st March at 10.30 am

First Holy Communion Mass

Saturday 13th June at 11.00 am