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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  
Talk to others after Mass**

### Today's Mass Readings

*Proverbs 8:22-31*

*Psalms 8;*

*Romans 5:1-5;*

*John 16:12-15*

This Week: 15th-22nd Jun 2025	Holy Mass & Services	Other Events
<b>Sunday 15th June</b> <b>Solemnity of the</b> <b>Most Holy Trinity</b> <b>Year C</b> Second collection for Day for Life	8:30 am Mary Josephine McCorry RIP(MM) 10.30 am Jadwiga Fijolek RIP(BKF) 6.00 pm Chinnamma (P)	After 8.30 am Mass: Tea & coffee in the Hall 10.30 am Children's Liturgy
<b>Monday 16th June</b> Feria	8.55 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Mike Smyth speedy recovery (GS)	10.00-12.00 noon School Church Tour 1.00-2.00 pm Wedding Rehearsal
<b>Tuesday 17th June</b> Feria	8:55 am Morning Prayer 9:15 am Antos (BKF)	12.00 noon Wedding
<b>Wednesday 18th June</b> Feast of the Dedication of the Cathedral	8:55 am Morning Prayer 9:15 am Mrs. Moore RIP	After Mass– Adoration till 6.00 pm.
<b>Thursday 19th June</b> Feria	8:55 am Morning Prayer 9:15 am Holy Communion Children	11.00 am Funeral of John Edwin Dugmore 5.00 pm Private Church Tour
<b>Friday 20th June</b> Feria	8:55 am Morning Prayer 9:15 am Holy Mass	5.00 pm Church cleaning 6.30 pm Youth Group
<b>Saturday 21st June</b> Memorial of St Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious	10.30 am Rosary 11.00 am First Holy Communion Mass	12:00-5:00 pm Visitor Centre in the Romero Room, Parish Hall
<b>Sunday 22nd June</b> <b>Solemnity of the</b> <b>Most Holy</b> <b>Body and Blood of Christ</b> <b>Year C</b>	8:30 am Father Terry Luxon RIP(MM) 10.30 am Mary Leason RIP (MB) 6.00 pm Jacob (TS)	After 8.30 am Mass: Tea & coffee in the Hall 10.30 am Children's Liturgy

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**PARISH HALL  
BOOKINGS**

Please contact Sally at  
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**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

**8.30 am & 10.30 am**

**O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name through all the earth!**

**6.00 pm**

**The word of God .**

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**PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS**

Please pray for all our parishioners, and/or their friends and relatives, who  
are unwell:

Beryl Hill, Alan Hurst, John Jennings, Andrew McDermott, Michael Sheridan,  
Jacky Smith, Paul Smith, Margaret Steward, Richard Wightman, Mrs. Roma,  
Judy Lynam Pyper, Peggy Garvey and Josephine Gylee.

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**RECENTLY DECEASED**

Your prayers are asked for John Edwin Dugmore who died recently. May his  
soul and the souls of all faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in  
peace. The Funeral Service for John Edwin Dugmore will be on 19th June at  
11.00 am. Please keep his family and friends in your kind thoughts and  
prayers.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASS**

This Saturday the 21st June at 11am, 21 of our children will be receiving  
Jesus for the first time in the Holy Eucharist. So, in your charity, please pray  
for those children and their families.

**SOLEMNITY OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS**

As every year, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus as  
our parish feast. On Friday the 27th of June we as a parish community  
solemnly celebrate the feast with Holy Mass at 5.30pm, followed by a meal  
in the parish hall. We cordially invite you all for the Solemn Mass and the  
meal afterwards. Please do come with your family and friends to celebrate  
our parish feast. As part of the spiritual preparation for the feast, we have a  
novena to the Sacred Heart after Mass, starting on Thursday the 19th of  
June. All those who can, please do come for the novena.

**SACRED HEART SUMMER FAIR 19TH JULY 2025**

The Parish Summer Fair will be on Saturday 19th July. As part of the Summer  
Fair we will be organizing a raffle. If you would like to sponsor a raffle prize,  
please give your name to Terry Poulten as soon as possible (or write your  
name on the clipboard in the Narthex). Raffle tickets are available to buy  
from the parish hall after each Mass. Please buy some tickets for yourself  
and for your friends and family. In addition, there will be stalls such as cakes,  
bric-a-brac, tombola, toiletries, toys and books. Please start bringing items  
for these stalls, especially items for tombola and toiletries.

**JOHN & GINA 3 DAY TREK OF THE ALPS FOR ST RICHARDS HOSPICE**

Thank you for all your wonderful support. For those who have not yet given  
us an e-mail address, if you would like to see pictures of our trip, please  
e-mail your interest to jandgalps@gmail.com, and our daughter will include  
you, blind copied, in the circulation list. We will be outside church after each  
Mass Sunday 22nd to collect any sponsorship money. If you are not able  
to be at Mass that Sunday, please put your donation in an envelope marked  
for John and Gina and leave at the presbytery. Once again thank you for your  
support. John and Gina.



## THE JUBILEE LOGO 2025

The logo shows four stylized figures, representing all of humanity, coming from the four corners of the earth. They embrace each other to indicate the solidarity and fraternity which should unite all peoples. The figure at the front is holding onto the cross. It is not only the sign of the faith which this

lead figure embraces, but also of hope, which can never be abandoned, because we are always in need of hope, especially in our moments of greatest need. There are the rough waves under the figures, symbolising the fact that life's pilgrimage does not always go smoothly in calm waters. Often the circumstances of daily life and events in the wider world require a greater call to hope. That's why we should pay special attention to the lower part of the cross which has been elongated and turned into the shape of an anchor which is let down into the waves. The anchor is well known as a symbol of hope. In maritime jargon the 'anchor of hope' refers to the reserve anchor used by vessels involved in emergency manoeuvres to stabilise the ship during storms. It is worth noting that the image illustrates the pilgrim's journey not as an individual undertaking, but rather as something communal, marked by an increasing dynamism leading one ever closer to the cross. The cross in the logo is by no means static, but it is also dynamic. It bends down towards humanity, not leaving human beings alone, but stretching out to them to offer the certainty of its presence and the security of hope. At the bottom of the logo is the motto of the 2025 Jubilee Year: Peregrinantes in Spem (Pilgrims in hope), represented in green letters.

## DAY FOR LIFE 2025

"Every year, the Church in England, Wales, Scotland and Ireland, jointly marks the Day for Life, as a reminder of the need to respect and protect the inherent value and dignity of each life. This year, it will be celebrated on Trinity Sunday, the 15th of June. The faithful are invited to join in prayer and promotion of the Day. Useful resources, including a message from the three bishops, and prayers, can be found on the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales' website. <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/day-for-life/> On the 15th of June we will also hold a second collection for the Day for Life Fund. Every year, the fund allocates over £200,000 in grants, to organisations which promote the Christian respect for life from conception to natural death, in various ways. This has made a significant impact in local communities of England and Wales by, for example, providing mothers and children with necessary means. This would be impossible if it were not for your generous support to the fund. We therefore invite you to give as much as you can and encourage others to do so.

## PUBLIC CHURCH TOUR

As part of our National Lottery Heritage Fund project we continue to run activities for the local community. Church tours will be conducted on one Saturday each month. To book, visit the website:

<http://www.sacredheartdroitwich.org.uk/the-church/church-tours/>

One Saturday a month children's mosaic workshops and mini tours will run. To book, visit the website:

<http://www.sacredheartdroitwich.org.uk/news-and-events/upcoming-events/>

Thanks to all our volunteers who continue to make this work possible.

## CHILDREN'S LITURGY

There will be Children's Liturgy during 10.30 am mass on **15th, 22th, 29th June** and **6th, 13th July**.

## PARISH YOUTH GROUP

Runs during term time on Friday evenings from 6.30 pm for children aged 9-14 years.

## PARISH SAFEGUARDING

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Clare Tomlinson, Carla Tucker and Bogusia Koniszewska-Fijolek. They can be contacted by email: [sg.sacredheart.droitwich@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.sacredheart.droitwich@rcaob.org.uk) or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/[safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concerns.

**Main Collection:**

**£299.02**

**Gift Aid: £198.20**

**Thank you for  
supporting your  
Parish.**

**Mass attendance  
last Sunday: 280**



**ST. VINCENT DE  
PAUL SOCIETY: TEA  
& COFFEE  
AFTERNOON**

If you would like some company, a drink, chat and cake then please come and join us on Sunday **13th July** from 2.30 pm to 4.00 pm in the Parish Hall. Please see the notice at the back of church for more information. You can contact us at [DroitwichReferrals@svp.org.uk](mailto:DroitwichReferrals@svp.org.uk) or on 07772 927535 or on Facebook, SVP Sacred Heart Droitwich.



**Next Sunday's Mass  
Readings**

Genesis 14:18-20

*Psalms 110(109);*

*1 Corinthians 11:23-26;*

*Luke 9:11-17*

Today we celebrate the solemnity of Most Holy Trinity. This feast invites us to live in the awareness of the presence of the Triune God within us: The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. The mystery of the Holy Trinity, a doctrine articulated by the ecumenical councils of Nicaea and Constantinople, is one of the fundamental doctrines of Christianity and the greatest mystery of our Faith, namely that there are Three Divine Persons sharing the same Divine Nature in one God. "There is one God, who has three Persons, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Each Person is God, yet there is still only one God" (CCC #234, #253-256). We have the Father Who is the Creator, the Son Who is the Redeemer and the Holy Spirit Who is the Sanctifier and the Counsellor. The doctrine of Three Persons in one God, co-equal and co-eternal in Divinity yet distinct in Person, is not explicitly spelt out in the Bible. Even the very word "Trinity" is not found in the Bible, especially in the Old Testament. But the New Testament gives several instances where Holy Trinity is mentioned without using the word "Trinity". So, one might ask, 'has God changed in the New Testament'? No, in fact, it is the same triune God who was revealed to the prophets in the Old Testament and manifested Himself in Jesus Christ in the New Testament. Since Yahweh, the God of Israel, was careful to protect His Chosen People from the pagan practice of worshipping several gods, the Old Testament books give only indirect and passing references to the Trinity, and the Jewish rabbis never understood them as references to the Holy Trinity. For example, Genesis 1:26 presents God speaking to Himself: "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness." St. Cyril, the teacher of the Slavs, tried to explain the mystery of the Most Holy Trinity using the sun as an example. He said, "God the Father is that blazing sun. God the Son is its light and God the Holy Spirit is its heat— but there is only one sun. So there are three Persons in the Holy Trinity, but God is One and indivisible."

As we celebrate Trinity Sunday, we are called to become more like the Triune God through all our relationships. We are made in God's image and likeness. Just as God is God only in a Trinitarian relationship, so we can be fully human only as one member of a relationship of three partners. The self needs to be in a horizontal relationship with all other people and in a vertical relationship with God. In that way our life is Trinitarian like that of God. Modern society follows the so-called "I-and-I" principle of unbridled individualism and the resulting consumerism. But the doctrine of the Blessed Trinity challenges us to adopt an "I-and-God-and-neighbour" principle: "I am a Christian insofar as I live in a relationship of love with God and other people." Like God the Father, we are called upon to be productive and creative persons by contributing to the building up of the fabric of life and love in our family, our Church, our community and our nation. Like God the Son, we are called to a life of sacrificial love and service, so that we may help Him to reconcile people with each other and with God, to become peacemakers, to put back together that which has been broken, and to restore what has been shattered. Like God the Holy Spirit, we are called, with His help, to uncover and teach Truth and to dispel ignorance. On this Trinity Sunday, don't try to solve the mystery of God like a mathematical problem. Instead, ask: Where am I seeing God's wisdom in my life right now? Am I open to the peace and hope that Jesus offers me? Can I listen to the quiet voice of the Spirit guiding me? Like the wind, the Trinity is all around us, moving, inspiring, comforting and calling. We may not see it, but when our hearts are open, we will surely feel it. So, let's live with open hearts, embracing the love of the Father, the peace of Jesus, and the gentle guidance of the Spirit. May the Trinity not just be something we believe in, but Someone we walk with every day. May God bless us all.

Fr. George Mathew SCJ