

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL, REDDITCH

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Newsletter 2154 Solemnity of Pentecost Sunday 19th May 2024

Readings: Acts 2:1-11 Psalm 103 John 20:19-23 or Galatians 5:16-25 Gospel John 15:26-27,16:12-15

Reflection for this Sunday ...

The Holy Spirit overcomes fear. We know that the disciples sought shelter in the Upper room after the arrest of their Lord and that they had remained isolated for fear of suffering the same fate. After Jesus' Resurrection their fear was not suddenly dispelled. But here at Pentecost, when the Holy Spirit rested upon them, those men emerged fearless and began to proclaim the Good News of the Crucified and Risen Christ to all. They were not afraid because they felt they were in the hands of the strongest One. Yes, dear brothers and sisters, whoever the Spirit of God enters he puts fear to flight; he makes us know and feel that we are in the hands of an Omnipotence of love: something happens, his infinite love does not abandon us. it is demonstrated by the very existence of the Church which, despite the limitations and sins of men and women, continues to cross the ocean of history, blown by the breath of God and enlivened by his purifying fire.

Pope Benedict XVI



MASS INTENTIONS for the week beginning Sunday 19th May 2024

Saturday 5pm Elizabeth Morrissey (a), Amelia Morrissey (2nd b'day a), Mandie Milward & John Joseph Morrissey

Sunday 8.15am John Spearing & Holy Souls 9.45am (Polish) 11.15am Holy Souls & Mary Rogers (a)

6pm Anna McGoldrick (a) & Margaret Geraghty (live-streamed)
Monday 6pm Family & World Peace & Mary Hickey

STM School 9am Holy Souls

Tuesday 9.30am Ints of Fr Stephen Goodman (Silver Jubilee)

Wednesday 9.30am Pat Reardon & Dan Breen

Thursday 7pm Sally Drummond & Margaret Daniel (b'day a)

STA School 9.40am Holy Souls

Friday 9.30am Ints of Joy & family & Ints of Michael Yates

Saturday 9.30am Daniel Osborne

5pm Mary Dyson & People of the Parish

Parish Rosary Prayer Group after Mass on Tuesdays followed by Flame of Love of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Prayer Meeting

CONFESSION & BENEDICTIONSaturdays 10am—11am or by appointment

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY 26th May 2024

Sunday 8.15am P J Shanley 9.45am (Polish) 11.15am Elizabeth Loboda 6pm Jarlath Ruane (Live-Streamed)

Mount Carmel 6pm Sunday Mass is Live Streamed - Visit our website and click on 'Watch Live'

For the Dead ...

Please pray for Jane Elizabeth Hares Funeral Mass 11am Monday 20th May, Clive McColgan Reception into church 5pm Tuesday 21st May, Funeral Mass 12.30pm Wednesday 22nd May, Joseph O'Neill Funeral Service 11am Thursday 6 June at the Abbey Chapel, Daniel Osborne Memorial Mass 12 noon Friday 7th June here at Mount Carmel, Patrick Fallon of Alcester, Funeral Mass 1pm Friday 7th June at Alcester, Leslie & Brigit McPike Funeral details not yet known. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

For the Sick ...

Please pray for Fr Tony, Brian Dixon, Caroline & Bob Holland, Eddie & Geraldine McGroarty, John Heatley, Bridie & Paul McConnell, Delia Bree, Julian McRandal, Jackie Pooly, Mick O'Connor & Maya Mason, Leonard Rose, Annie Cleary, Tommy Caffney, Hallie Rose, Bill Barber, Grazyna Juszkiewicz, Jane Elliott, David Cruise, Kath Williams, Michael & Maria Yates, Yvonne Coleman, Tracy Hawthorn, Pius McDermott, Jane-Christina Thomson, Helen Horvath, Jean Maitland, Eileen Gibbon

Lamp at the Shrine of Our Lady

This week for the intentions of NIMISHA
Next week in loving memory of JOHN MORRISSEY

Lamp at the Shrine of the Sacred Heart

This week for the intentions of **NITIN**Next week in loving memory of **ANNASTASIA PURCELL (A)**



Thank you!

A big thank you to the anonymous person who re-potted the Fire Flame Plant outside the far porch of the church. It was on my to do list but as usual other things took over. The plant looks much happier now in its new pot!

PRAYER FOR PEACE IN THE UKRAINE & MIDDLE EAST

Loving God, we pray for the people of Ukraine and the Middle East, and for all those suffering or afraid, that you will be close to them and protect them. We pray for world leaders, for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices. We pray for the world that in this moment of crisis, we may reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters in need. May we walk in your ways so that peace and justice become a reality for the people of Ukraine, the Middle East and the world. Amen. *Our Lady Queen of Peace, pray for us*

SAINTS FOR THE WEEK

Monday Mary, Mother of the Church

This celebration was instituted in 2018 and added to the General Roman Calendar this celebration helps us to remember that growth in the Christian life must be anchored to the Mystery of the Cross, to the oblation of Christ in the Eucharistic Banquet and to the Mother of the Redeemer and Mother of the Redeemed, the Virgin who makes her offering to God.

Tuesday Saints Christopher Magallanes, Priest and companions, Martyrs

This feast recalls the martyrdom of twenty-two priests and three laymen in Mexico between 1915 and 1937. These witnesses include St Christopher Magallanes (1869-1927) who as a priest, founded a seminary in his home town of Totatiche and ministered zealously in the face of persecution. He was heard to shout from his cell, 'I am innocent and I will die innocent. I forgive with all my heart those responsible for my death, and I ask God that the shedding of my blood serve the peace of our divided Mexico.'

Wednesday Saint Rita of Cascia, Religious

(1381-1457) St Rita of Cascia was born near Spoleto and, despite wanting to enter religious life, spent nearly twenty-two years in a difficult marriage. After the deaths of her husband and her two sons, she joined the Augustinian House in Cascia, Umbria. She is known as the 'saint of the impossible'.

Thursday Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest

The Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, the Eternal High Priest, according to the order of Melchizedek. In him the Father has been well pleased from before all time. As Mediator between God and human beings, fulfilling his Father's will, he sacrificed himself once on the altar of the Cross as a saving Victim for the whole world. Thus, instituting the pattern of an everlasting sacrifice, with a brother's kindness he chose, from among the children of Adam, men to augment the priesthood, so that, from the sacrifice continually renewed in the Church, streams of divine power might flow, whereby a new heaven and a new earth might be made, and throughout the whole universe there would be a perfected what no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor has entered the human heart.

Saturday Saint Bede the Venerable, Priest, Doctor of the Church

(673-735) St Bede was born in England. As a Benedictine Monk, he was, 'the most observant and the happiest of all monks'. His writings were full of sound doctrine, so he was called 'Venerable' while still alive. He wrote commentaries on Holy Scripture and treatises on theology and history. He died at Jarrow, England.

PARISH SENIORS' GROUP

2pm in the Parish Hall

Next Meeting

Thursday 30th May

Weekly Statistics

Weekend 11/12 May 2024 1st Collection £696.97 2nd Collection £245.57 (Catholic Communications) Attendance 443

These figures do not include Standing Orders or Dona payments

Laudato Si week 19th-26th May—Theme 'Seeds of Hope'

A free downloadable guide is available, each day a theme addresses different aspects relating to a specific issue—such as transport, waste reduction, water conservation. 'There are no lasting changes without cultural changes and there are no cultural changes without personal changes. (Laudate Deum 70)

Men's Rosary in Birmingham City Centre -Saturday 25 May Change of location now meeting in front of St Chad's Cathedral.

Join Archbishop Bernard Longley to publicly witness to our faith, pray for our nation and to inspire men to live out their vocation as defenders of the faith and protectors of women and children. For more info contact Ben on 07885 505116

Catholic Maritime Charity Stella Maris

(formerly Apostleship of the Sea) is very grateful for our parish's prayer and financial support of its work on Sea Sunday last year. To report back on the use of those funds, it invites parishioners to join an online update and thank you webinar on Tuesday 28 May from 7.30pm to 9pm. You will hear about the impact of your generosity on the lives of seafarers, fishers, and their families over the last year. Its CEO and chaplains will share inspiring stories of how they have helped seafarers and fishers through your support. To register for this virtual event, please visit www.stellamaris.org.uk/thankyou2024

Cafod Salina's Letter to World Bank

Last year over 200 parishioners signed Salina's letter. It called on the World Bank for better treatment for small farmers and to stop restricting their ability to share seeds. 1st July is the bank's 80th birthday and it is a publicly-funded bank created to eradicate poverty but 2.4 billion people still have no regular access to food. The World Bank is not doing enough to support small farmers like her. Please join Catholics around the country in sending the bank one single birthday wish: to bring seeds back into the hands of farmers. Go to https://cafod.org.uk/campaign/campaign-with-us/send-a-birthday-message-to-the-world-bank to send your message.

Redditch FAMILY FUN DAY 12 NOON SATURDAY 1ST JUNE

celebrating the 80th Anniversary of D-Day & the Normandy Landings 1944-2024 at the Redditch Cricket, Hockey & Rugby Club, Bromsgrove Road, Redditch.

FREE ENTRY Re-enactment stall, Military vehicles, Steam Traction Engine, Army reserves, Fire Service, Police, Rides for children, Bouncy Castle, Outdoor bar, refreshments, food & various stalls. Outdoor DJ, Pipes & Drums

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Mrs Jane Craig & Mrs Linda Gordon, they can be contacted at: safeguardingOLMC@gmail.com or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns.

Dates for your diary Sunday 9 June

SUMMER FAYRE in the presbytery garden—
Raffle tickets available now £2.50 a book
Tuesday 16 July Patronal Feast
Friday 27 September Harvest Supper & Quiz
Saturday 30 November Christmas Lunch
December Parish Carol Service

Raffle Prizes

Donations towards the Raffle to be held at the Summer Fayre on **Sunday 9th June** would be gratefully received. 1st & 2nd Prize *received thankyou*Spirits & Wine, unwanted gifts

Raffle tickets available to buy now £2.50 a book!
Please take some home with you!
Proceeds to the Parish Hall Fund

COUNTERS FOR THIS WEEKEND

Team 2 J McHugh C Morgan A Chatterley
COUNTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Team 3 P & B Holder T Tamburro

New Counting Teams needed to count the weekend collections either on a Sunday evening or Monday morning

If this is something you feel you could do, please get in touch with one of the clergy or the parish office—thankyou

McCarron School of Irish Dance Lessons for boys & girls age 3 & upwards

4pm-5pm Tuesdays
Mount Carmel Church Parish Hall

For more information please contact us on 07429 019367 Find us on Facebook & Instagram: mccarrondance



Take a virtual tour with Elena Curti 3pm Saturday 15 June

An event hosted by the Droitwich & District Catenians. Venue: The Sacred Heart & St Catherine of Alexandria Church, Droitwich Elena Curti will take you on a journey of discovery exploring churches featured in her books, including the Sacred Heart in Droitwich. Presentation, Question & Answer, Meet the Author and Book Signing. Books will be on sale at £12 (rrp £14.99) £2 will be donated to the 'Aid to the Church in Need Holy Land Appeal' Tickets £10—to buy tickets scan the QR code on the poster or leaflets in the porches or visit https://

