



OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL, REDDITCH

Beoley Road West, Redditch, Worcestershire, B98 8LT (01527) 63096

Email: office@mtcarmel.co.uk Website: www.ourladyofmountcarmel.co.uk

The Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham: Registered Charity No. 234216

Parish Clergy: Fr Anthony Rohan, Fr Jason Mahoney

Permanent Deacons: Revds Des Chilton & Peter Griffiths

NEWSLETTER 1919 **SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY** 7TH JUNE 2020 YEAR A

Readings Exodus 34:4-6, 8-9 Psalm Daniel 3 2 Corinthians 13:11-13 Gospel John 3:16-18

Today is a song of praise to God who has taken us up to share in the very life of the Trinity. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit is with us all.

Reflection

'This only do we know', wrote Cardinal Newman, 'with this only confession we must begin and end our worship — that the Father is the One God, the Son the One God, and the Holy Spirit the One God: and that the Father is not the Son, the Son not the Holy Spirit, and the Holy Spirit not the Father'. Glory be for ever to this self-living God.

In loving God, and each other, which is the fulfilment of God's Law (*Matthew 23 : 40*), rejoice in peace (*Second Reading*), hoping God will give us to see his triune perfection. Here we understand by the light of the faculty of Reason, as far as nature allows. Hereafter the just God gives the faculty of the Light of Glory, to see God 'face-to-face' (*1 Corinthians 13 : 12*) and thereby understand him, as far as finite beings can comprehend the infinite. Rejoice to-day that you may in eternity know God, not as now by faith in what you cannot experience but by vision of what you possess (*Chrysostom*).

Father Tony & Father Jason



Re-opening of the Church

We are preparing for the re-opening of Mount Carmel Church, initially it will be for individual prayer only. We have been working on a risk assessment which indicates we will need the support of volunteers to manage re-opening in terms for cleaning, sanitising and stewarding. We won't be able to determine what times the church will be open or for how long until we know how many parishioners can support us and their availability. If you are not in the vulnerable group (**NB this includes anyone aged 70 and over**) and you could spare some time to support us would you please contact the parish office on 01527 63096. The government has yet to give permission and have laid down very strict risk assessment measures before this can happen.

The Pope's Prayer Intention for June

The Way of the Heart—We pray that all those who suffer may find their way in life, allowing themselves to be touched by the Heart of Jesus

Mass Intentions

This week are for: **HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY** Mick & Sarah Durkan, Alice Gourley, Galton Trust, Christopher Bentley, Barbara Bright **Monday** Pattie Coombes (a) **Tuesday** Betty Herlihy, Ken Morton (a), Bob Smith **Wednesday** Adrian Kennedy (50th b'day Anniv), Pat Deady **Thursday** Eileen Gavin, Joe Deacy **Friday** Abilash Abraham (a) **Saturday** Thresia Thomas (a), Elizabeth Morrissey (a), People of the Parish **CORPUS CHRISTI SUNDAY** Albert & Eva Langston & Special Intention, Betty Herlihy, Galton Trust, Fr Bob Wright, Martin Twomey

Lamp at the Shrine of Our Lady

This week the lamp burns for ELLA'S INTENTIONS and for the Intentions of FR MATTHEW BUGNO ordained last weekend in Poland

Next week the lamp burns for EVLLIN BENNY

Lamp at the Shrine of the Sacred Heart

This week the lamp burns for the deceased members of the BOYD & SHANLEY FAMILIES.

Next week the lamp burns for ELLA'S INTENTIONS

For the dead ...

Your prayers are asked for MARTIN GRAINGER Graveside Service on Friday 12th June at 1.15pm, JOHN BATTLE-WELCH Funeral Service 1.15pm Friday 19th June at the Abbey Chapel

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

For the Sick ...

Your prayers are asked for GERRY BREE, CAROLINE HOLLAND AND FAMILY, BRIAN DIXON, ANITA in hospital in Poland, 9 month old daughter of Monika, CAROL SMITH, KAREN, MARGARET LYNCH & MARGARET VALE

Daily Rosary Prayer

Don't forget to join the Fathers spiritually in their prayers each evening at 6pm til 7pm when they pray the Rosary for the Parish, its people, living and dead, and its needs, remembering particularly those causes we support.



Saints for the Week ...

Tuesday

Saint Colomba, Abbot *or of*

Saint Ephrem, Deacon, Doctor of the Church

(c521-597) St Colomba was one of the 'Twelve Apostles of Ireland'. He was born in Gartan, Co Donegal. He founded monasteries at Derry, Durrow and Kells but felt compelled to leave Ireland as an act of penance c563. With twelve companions he settled on Iona, just off the Isle of Mull and this became the effective base for the evangelisation of Scotland and northern England. He died in 597 and his relics were later moved to Dunkeld.

(306-373) St Ephrem was born in Mesopotamia. Ordained as a deacon in Edessa, Turkey, he vigorously combated the heresies of his time. To be more effective, he wrote poems and hymns about the mysteries of Christ and the Blessed Virgin. He was a poet, orator and holy monk who had a great devotion to Our Lady.

Thursday

Saint Barnabus, Apostle

St Barnabus was a Cypriot Jew. The Holy Spirit destined him to a universal mission. It was Barnabus who introduced St Paul to the other apostles, paving the way for a broad apostolate which required the approval of the pillars of the Church. He was with St Paul in the first missionary journey and in the first Council of Jerusalem. After having converted many souls for Christ, Barnabus died a martyr for the faith. He had preached at Cyprus during Nero's reign. His name is included in the Roman Canon.

Saturday

Saint Anthony of Padua, Priest, Doctor of the Church

(1195-1231) St Anthony of Padua was born in Lisbon, Portugal. A Franciscan, he was known for his profound knowledge of theology and for his power of persuasion. His preaching carried him from the north of Africa to Italy and France. He is known as the 'Evangelical Doctor' because he based all that he said on the texts of the Gospels. He died in Padua.

Novena to the Sacred Heart, Maryvale

All are invited to join online for the Annual Novena to the Sacred Heart at the Shrine of the Sacred Heart at Maryvale.

There will be a Mass, Sermon and Novena live streamed each evening at 8pm from Thursday 11 June to Friday 19 June (Feast of the Sacred Heart). Archbishop Bernard Longley will be celebrating Mass on Sunday 21 June at 11am (this being the day the 'physical' Pilgrimage would have taken place). It will be live streamed from St Chad's Cathedral.

Full details, and how to access each event, are available on the Diocesan website: <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/news/join-online-maryvale-sacred-heart-novena> and Maryvale Institute website: <https://www.maryvale.ac.uk/novena-2020.html>

Cafod—Unite against Coronavirus

As we cope with coronavirus in the UK, we think of our sisters and brothers in developing countries who are facing this pandemic with fragile health systems, some of which have almost no intensive care beds or ventilators. Food prices have already risen with the borders closing, the poorest are losing their jobs and income with wholesale shutdowns. Furthermore, inadequate healthcare, lack of access to washing facilities and limited ability to social distance will result in loss of life on an intolerable scale. The likely impact will be devastating. We are one global family. In order to continue protecting and improving the lives of those in poor communities, your prayers, gifts and voices are needed now more than ever. Please visit cafod.org.uk/coronavirus to find out ways you can give, act and pray in response to this crisis.

Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Blessed Sacrament: body, blood, soul and divinity. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, please spiritually enter more deeply into my heart and mind. I embrace You, trusting in your answer to my prayer, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

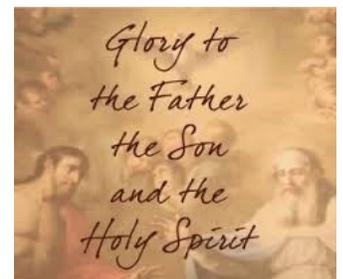
Supporting Your Parish ...

Many have asked how you can continue giving to your parish during the pandemic. Parishes and charities still greatly need your support, even more so without their weekly congregations and visitors. We do though recognise that many parishioners may be struggling financially, and there is no expectation to give where you are unable to do so. If you wish to donate visit the home page on the diocesan website - www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk where there is a DONATE button. You can donate via Standing Order or single donation - donations can also be gift aided.

Collections and Donations

If you prefer not to use the above method, cheques made out to Mount Carmel Church, GA envelopes or Cash can be dropped into the Presbytery, the Parish Office or through the letterbox. We thank you all for your continued support.

The Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Mrs Jane Craig & Mrs Linda Gordon
Email: safeguarding@mlmc@gmail.com



An Act of Contrition

My God, I am sorry for my sins with all my heart. In choosing to do wrong and failing to do good, I have sinned against you whom I should love above all things. I firmly intend, with your help, to do penance, to sin no more, and to avoid whatever leads me to sin. Our Saviour Jesus Christ suffered and died for us. In his name, my God, have mercy.