

# 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 Deacon: Revd Des Chilton Newsletter 2100 Second Sunday of Easter, Divine Mercy Sunday 16th April 2023 Readings : Acts 2:42-47 Psalm 117 1 Peter 1:3-9 Gospel John 20:19-31

# Reflection for Second Sunday of Easter or of Divine Mercy

'Peace be with you!' this is how Jesus greets his Apostles in the Gospel for this Sunday, that closes the Octave of Easter. Peace is the gift of God. The Creator himself has written the law of respect for life on the human heart: 'If anyone sheds the blood of a man, by man shall his blood be shed; for in the image of God has he made man', is said in Genesis (9:6). When the merciless logic of arms prevails everywhere, only God can redirect hearts to thoughts of peace. Only he can give the energies that are necessary to be freed from hatred and the thirst of revenge and to undertake the process of negotiation for an agreement and for peace. The liturgy today invites us to see in Divine Mercy the source of that authentic peace that the risen Christ offers us. The wounds of the risen and glorious Lord are the permanent sign of God's merciful love for humanity. From them flows a spiritual light that enlightens consciences and pours into hearts comfort and hope. Blessed Pope John Paul II



# MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 16TH APRIL 2023

Saturday	5pm	John & Elizabeth Morrissey		
Sunday	8.15am	Marion Levell 9.45am (Polish) 11.15am Deacon Doug Taylor (b'day a)		
	3pm	Feast of the Divine Mercy An hour of prayer, readings, Exposition concluding with Benediction		
	6pm	Michelle Kirby (a) & People of the Parish (live-streamed)		
Monday	6pm	Cath & Arthur Fisher, Patrick & Wayne Collins	<u>No</u> Parish Rosary Prayer Group this week after Mass 10am Flame of Love of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Prayer Meeting	
STM Sch	9.10am	Michael Rohan		
Tuesday	9.30am	Mary McGovern		
Wednesday	9.30am	Richard Whyte (3rd A) & In Thanksgiving		
Thursday	7pm	Liam Boyd (a)		
STA Sch	10am	Anne Curry		
Friday	9.30am	James & Eileen Herlihy	EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED	
Saturday	9.30am	Caroline Jones	SACRAMENT & CONFESSION Saturdays 10am—11am or by appointment	
	1.30 pm	Keralan Mass		
	5pm	Mick Russell (b'day a)		
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER 23RD APRIL 2023				

Sunday

8.15am Kath Coombs (30th A) 9.45am (Polish) 11.15am Elizabeth Loboda & People of the Parish Frances & Tommy Quigley & Brendan Geraghty (live-streamed)

PLEASE NOTE : Mount Carmel 6pm Sunday Mass is now the Live Streamed Mass

Link : www.eventcast.uk/live (Please note : type the link into the browser on your computer, do not use a search engine)

## For the Dead ...

Please pray for LES CROW Funeral Service 12.30pm Tuesday 2nd May at the Abbey Chapel. FRANCIS 'FRANK' MCKEOWN Funeral Service 10am Friday 5th May at the Abbey Chapel, MICHAEL ROHAN (Fr Tony's brother) BISHOP DAVID MCGOUGH Reception into Sacred Heart Church, Tunstall, 6pm Wednesday 19th April, Funeral Mass 12 noon Thursday 20th April at St Chad's Cathedral. 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, Ken McArdle, Caroline & Bob Holland, Francis Keaney, Gail Kavanagh, Christine MURRAY, JULIA HOPKINS, EDDIE & GERALDINE MCGROARTY, MARGARET GERAGHTY, ALICE CAIRNS, JOSIE MANDER, CARINA CHALK, ANNIE COX, JOHN HEATLEY, BRIDIE MCCONNELL, TRACEY HAWTHORN, DEACON DES CHILTON, DELIA BREE, JULIAN MCRANDAL, MARY McGorman, Jackie Pooly, Elizabeth Peart, Mick O'Connor, Fiona Evans, Leonard Rose, Annie Cleary

# Lamp at the Shrine of Our Lady

6pm

This week in loving memory of JOE, MARY & DEC'D GINTY FAMILY Next week for MARCIN NOWAK

## Lamp at the Shrine of the Sacred Heart

This week in loving memory of LIAM BOYD (ANNIVERSARY) Next week in loving memory of CHRISTOPHER SREBNIAK

#### Mount Carmel 500 Club Winners for February & March

February 1st Prize £120 No 96 Sean Lanigan 2nd Prize £50 No 270 Carmel Rogers 1st Prize £120 No 154 Tony Tamburro 2nd Prize £50 No 179 Jennifer Wollard (Durkan) March

Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Mrs Jane Craig & Mrs Linda Gordon email:safeguardingOLMC@gmail



#### PRAYER FOR PEACE IN THE UKRAINE

Loving God, we pray for the people of Ukraine, 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 and for all the world. Amen. *Our Lady Queen of Peace, pray for us* 

## Saint for the week ...

#### Friday Saint Anslem, Bishop, Doctor of the Church

(1033-1109) St Anselm was born in Aosta and died in England. He was in the Benedictine monastery of Le Bec in Normandy for around thirty years. In 1093, he became the Archbishop of Canterbury and Primate of England. He is called the Father of Scholastic Theology. In his defence of the Church, he suffered much, including exile. His doctrinal works are among the most noteworthy examples of theology and medieval mysticism.

#### **Responding to the Call of Creation**

Try your hand at gardening! as Spring approaches, now is the time to start preparing our gardens (even small plots or pots) sow seeds of lettuve, tomatoes, beetroot, spring onions and other veg. Even in a small plot, we can provide ourselves with a variety of vegetables which will help cut down on imports and transport costs, (including our own when we drive to the shops) and in air miles. One of the best places to hear God speak is when we are outside. Visit https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/resources-to-care-for-creation

#### Cafod/Laudato Si Group

All donations of tinned vegetables and meat are needed by the Food Bank in Redditch—please look in your cupboard for items you could donate or pick up a tin whilst you shop. The Foodbank Staff and Volunteers are really appreciative of our weekly donations. Thank you.

#### Right to Life Prayer for this week ....

While we ponder the depth of the love of God present in the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Christ, we pray that He would make us channels of His Divine Mercy, especially to those who may have suffered the loss of a baby. Lord hear us.

### Together we can change the World

Christian Climate Action. Choose your future by taking part in a gathering in London, transport available from Worcester. **Friday 21 April** gathering at St John's Church, Waterloo at 11am for worship at noon led by Christian Aid, Tearfund, CAFOD Green Christian and others, followed by a walk of pilgrimage to the protest site outside Parliament. **Saturday 22 April** gathering outside Parliament at 11am for worship at 12 noon focused on racial and climate justice. Catholic Mass at 3pm

**Sunday 23 April** Gathering outside Parliament at 11am for worship at 12 noon. Led by young people whose future is in the balance. **Monday 24 April** Gathering outside Parliament at 11am for worship at 12 noon led by Christian Climate Action. More details on website : christianclimateaction.org/the-big-one

# CORONATION CELEBRATION 12 NOON SUNDAY 7 MAY IN PRESBYTERY GARDEN & PARISH HALL

Raffle tickets available soon 1st prize £100 2nd Prize £50 plus other prizes Donations for the Raffle Prizes would be gratefully received. 1st Prize £100 2nd Prize £50 + spirits, wine, biscuits, chocolates. Also Bottles for the Tombola, Children's toys & Children's books plus unwanted gifts. Thankyou

The fundraising committee are looking for a DJ to provide music for the Coronation Celebration Sunday 8th May

## **Parish Finances**

Don't forget the meeting in the **Parish Hall after the 11.15am Mass today**. The Finance Committee will be giving a presentation on the Parish Finances and answer any questions you may have.

COUNTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Team 4 J Hardcastle T & B Hughes

Please put mobile phones on Silent when at Mass thankyou PARISH SENIORS' GROUP 2.30PM IN THE PARISH HALL NEXT MEETINGS THURSDAY 20 APRIL THURSDAY 4 MAY

# Archdiocese of Birmingham Pilgrimage to Walsingham Saturday 13 May 2023 Mass of the Immaculate

#### Heart of Mary— Principal Celebrant Bishop David Evans

1.30pm Mass in the Chapel of Reconciliation followed by procession to the Priory Grounds for prayer at the site of the Holy House. For further information please contact the pilgrim organiser Fr Philip Griffin on 01384 395308 or email olas.stourbridge@rcaob.org.uk **St Peter's Bromsgrove are organising a coach to go on the diocesan pilgrimage to Walsingham**—the second most important prereformation shrine in England on Saturday 13 May. The cost is £25 per person leaving Bromsgrove at approximately 7am. There will be Mass, prayers and also time to visit the shrine shop and café. It's been a few years since parishioners travelled to the Shrine so this is a wonderful opportunity for us all. If you are interested, please contact John Smart on jsmart.sptr@gmail.com or 07875 507 104

#### **Annual Thanksgiving Mass for Marriage**

An invitation is extended to married couples, those celebrating a milestone anniversary and those preparing to marry this year, to our annual Mass for Marriage at St Chad's Cathedral on Saturday 29 April at 12 noon, celebrated by Bishop Stephen Wright, followed by light refreshments. Please visit <u>www.vocations.org.uk/marriage-mass</u> to confirm your attendance.

#### VACANCIES at Mount Carmel

School. **Required ASAP Office Administrator** Part time 10hrs per week Permanent Mon-Fri 1.15pm-3.25pm—closing date Wed 19 April at 3pm, Interview date Tuesday 25 April 2023

**Required ASAP Lunchtime Supervisor** term time only 12.10pm-1.15pm Mon-Fri Closing date Friday 28 April 3pm For both posts visit www.magnificat.org.uk/vacancies for application forms, all to be completed and returned to Mrs R Kennedy at **olmc-office@olmc.magnificat.org.uk**