

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL, REDDITCH

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Permanent Deacon: Revd Des Chilton

Newsletter 2096 Fourth Sunday of Lent Year A 19th March 2023 Mother's Day

Readings Exodus 17:3-7 Psalm 94 St Paul to the Romans:15:1-2,5-8 Gospel John 4:5-42

Happy Mother's Day!!!

Reflection for the Fourth Sunday of Lent

On these Sundays in Lent the liturgy takes us on a true and proper baptismal route through the texts of John's Gospel: last Sunday, Jesus promised the gift of 'living water' to the Samaritan woman'; today, by healing the man born blind, he reveals himself as 'the light of the world', next Sunday, in raising his friend Lazarus, he will present himself as 'the resurrection and the life'. Water, light and life are symbols of Baptism, the Sacrament that 'immerses' believers in the mystery of the death and Resurrection of Christ, liberating them from the slavery of sin and giving them eternal. life..

Pope Benedict XVI



Parish Rosary after Mass on Tuesdays

10am followed by

Flame of Love of the Immaculate Heart

of Mary Prayer Meeting

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED

SACRAMENT & CONFESSION

Saturdays 10am—11am

or by appointment

BISHOP DAVID EVANS VISIT

This weekend we welcome Bishop David Evans to the parish. There will be an opportunity to meet him in the parish hall after the 5pm Saturday evening Mass. There will also be an opportunity for the Parish Finance committee to meet with him at 4.30pm on the Sunday afternoon. Bishop David will be celebrating the weekend Masses.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 19TH MARCH 2023

Saturday 5pm Josephine Walsh (b'day a) & Ints of Bridie McConnell (95th b'day)
Sunday 8.15am Chris & Jan Srebniak 9.45am (Polish) 11.15am Rosa Pailly (a) & Colin Fyles

6pm People of the Parish & Vincent Walsh (a) (live-streamed)
6pm John Burke & Ints of Claire Jefferies (Muldowney)

STM School 9am Holy Souls

Monday

Tuesday 9.30am Ints of Sr Pius & Sr Maureen Gavin RIP

Wednesday 9.30am Tony & Theresa Gregory
Thursday 7pm Dick Doyle (a) & Frances Quigley

5TA School 10am Class Mass (10AH) Kitty McCarthy

Friday 9.30am Winifred & Michael Conboy & Fr Michael Burke, Maureen & Abraham Dowling

10am Stations of the Cross

6pm Stations of the Cross (Keralan)

STB School 2.30pm Adoration

Saturday 9.30am Willie Morrissey & dec'd of the Darcy & Cornyn Families

5pm Judy Reynolds & Paddy Conlon

SUNDAY 26TH MARCH 2023: FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT (A)

Sunday 8.15am Stan & Stasia Duraj (Wedd A) 9.45am (Polish) 11.15am Mary Hallahan

Spm People of the Parish & Marjorie McElroy (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 **EILEEN MUNDY** Reception into church 5pm Monday 10th April, Funeral Mass 10.30am Tuesday 11th April, **THOMAS STRONG** Funeral Service 11am Thursday 13th April 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 ...

Please pray for Fr Tony, Michael Rohan, Brian Dixon, Ken McArdle, Caroline & Bob Holland, Francis Keaney, Gail Kavanagh, Christine Murray, Julia Hopkins, Eddie & Geraldine McGroarty, Margaret Geraghty, Pauline Clarke, 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, Jean Paul Sammut, Mick O'Connor, Fiona Evans, Leonard Rose, Mick & Annie Cleary

Lamp at the Shrine of Our Lady

This week in loving memory of MARIANNA & BRONISLAW KLOC Next week in loving memory of MICHAEL & WINIFRED CONBOY

Lamp at the Shrine of the Sacred Heart

This week in loving memory of MICK, SARAH & DEC'D DURKAN FAMILY Next week in loving memory of ELIZABETH LOBODA (A)

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*

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

NEARLY-NEW CLOTHES & UNWANTED GIFTS SALE

12 noon Saturday 25 March in the Parish Hall

Please bring clothes or donated gifts to the parish office or after 10am on Saturday 25th All proceeds to the Parish Hall Fund

COUNTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Team 1 T Craig D Cruise L Kings

Please put mobile phones on Silent when at Mass thankyou

Saturday 25th March at the Rocklands Social Club present an Irish Night with the Hurling Boys 6.30pm, £5 on the door shared table and if you can take a raffle prize.

St Mary's, Alvechurch

Coffee Morning

Saturday 25 March

10.30am - 12 noon

Stations of the Cross

Tuesday 4 April

10.30am followed by coffee

Laudato Si—Donations to the Foodbank

Many thanks for your continued support for the Redditch Food Bank. All donations of tinned meat and vegetables are much appreciated. Please look at the website for information about what they need —https://redditch.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/

Please only leave food items, we cannot take anything else to the Foodbank—thankyou

Saints for the week ...

Monday Solemnity of Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Thursday Saint Turibius of Mongrovejo, Bishop

(1538-1606) St Turibius was born in Mayorga (Spain) and worked for many years as a professor of law at Salamanca. In 1580, 3even though still a layman, he was appointed Archbishop of Lima (Peru), where, after being ordained, he did much to consolidate ecclesiastical discipline and champion the rights of indigenous people.

Saturday Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord

Right to Life Prayer for this week

As we reach the midpoint of Lent, today, and as we celebrate the Solemnity of St Joseph tomorrow, let us pray for all fathers, that, through their example, they may demonstrate the loving provision and compassion of Almighty God to their children. Lord hear us.

Fairtrade Sale

Many thanks to all who purchased items last weekend. You have helped many community producers by your purchases. As all the items on sale had to be pre-bought your support is greatly appreciated ty the CAFOD/Laudato Si group.

Love the Stranger

This is the title of a new teaching document issued last week by the Bishop's conference of England and Wales. Bishops Declan Lang and Paul McAleenan write in the introduction 'How many have died in our own waters without their names or stories ever being known? We should not reduce people to statistics or to a political problem to be solved.' The document can be read free online at: <a href="https://document.com/declaration/conference-

New Group for Autistic Catholic Adults

Parish Centre, Our Lady and St Rose of Lima Catholic Church, Weoley Castle 7pm on Thursday 23 March

Deacon Mark Paine is setting up this group for Autistic Catholics in the Birmingham Diocese. It will provide a safe-space to talk, share ideas and discuss how to play a full and active role in our parish communities. All Catholics welcome whether practising or not. If you or anyone you know is Catholic and either diagnosed as non-neurotypical or think that you/they may be, please think about attending. All conversations will be treated in the strictest confidence. For further information, please contact Deacon Mark Paine either via Facebook or at: dcn.mark.paine.@rcaob.org.uk

Tabor House Launch Event—St Catherine of Siena, Bristol St, Birmingham

Tabor Living, a partnership project with Fr Hudsons Care—in March 2023 they will be moving from the Digbeth site to St Catherine of Siena in the city centre where they have created 9 new emergency rooms, 10 new next-steps rooms and large community areas working in partnership with the local parish.

Wednesday 19 April 2023 12-2pm—welcome talk, tour and lunch Sunday 23 April 2023 11am Mass led by Archbishop Bernard followed by refreshments, Tours and blessing of the new Tabor living facilities. ALL WELCOME

Catholic lady looking for rented single occupancy accommodation
Please contact Fr Tony if you can help
01527 63096

Vacancies

Mount Carmel First School

Grade 2 SEND Teaching Assistant required part time 16.15 hrs per week over 5 mornings. Term time only plus INSET days. Permanent. Please visit www.magnificat.org.uk/vacancies for an application form and consent for references form, both to be returned to Mrs R Kennedy at olmc-office@olmc.magnificat.org.uk Closing date Monday 20 March by 9am and Interview date Monday 27th March 2023

St Augustines High School

Our Lady of the Magnificat MAC are looking to recruit a **LAY CHAPLAIN** based at St Augustine's but may be required to work across other sites within the wider MAC. The applicant should be a practising Catholic and support & develop the Catholic ethos of the school. Please visit: www.magnificat.org.uk/vacancies for an application form and consent for references form, both to be returned to Stacey McGoldrick at sta-hr@sta-magnificat.org.uk Closing date 12 noon 27 March 2023

40 Days for Life—help save lives in Birmingham

To find out more or to get involved in this campaign of peaceful, legal prayer near an abortion centre contact Isabel: 07773 501721. Vigil location: outside St Joseph & St Helen's Catholic Church, Station Road, Kings Norton B30 1JG Vigil hours: 8am—8pm daily until April 2nd) You will need to sign a Statement of Peace before attending. Please get in touch for any questions. If you are struggling after an abortion, please contact **Rachel** from Rachel's Vineyard on 07734 059080

Would you like to receive your Newsletter via email?

If so, please contact the parish office either by phone (01527 63096) or by email: office@mtcarmel.co.uk

"Never be afraid of loving the Blessed Virgin too much. You can never love her more than Jesus did."

-Saint Maximilian Kolbe

