

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL, REDDITCH

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NEWSLETTER 2088 THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR A 22ND JANUARY 2023 Readings Isaiah 8:23-9:2 Psalm 26 1 Corinthians 1:10-13 Gospel Matthew 4:12-23

REFLECTION FOR THIS WEEKEND

Lord, make me an instrument of your love.

Where the darkness of loneliness reigns, let me bring the light of friendship. Where the darkness of bitterness reigns, let me bring the light of forgiveness.

Where the darkness of hurt reigns, let me bring the light of healing.

Where the darkness of discord reigns, let me bring the light of harmony.

Where the darkness of sadness reigns, let me bring the light of joy.

Where the darkness of doubt reigns, let me bring the light of faith.

Where the darkness of despair reigns, let me bring the light of hope.

And where the darkness of hatred reigns.; let me bring the light of love. Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 22ND JANUARY 2023

Saturday 5pm Judy Reynolds

Sunday 8.15am Kitty & John Chapman 9.45am (Polish) 11.15am Mariamma Chummar (a)

6pm Madeleine McCorry & People of the Parish (live-streamed)

Monday 6pm Theresa Gregory (b'day a) & Mercy Abraham

STM School9.10amHoly SoulsTuesday9.30amJohn Sheehan

Wednesday 9.30am Ints of Eileen Morrissey

Thursday 5pm Reception of Body Mary Hallahan

7pm Robina 'Nanny' Guy

STA School 10am Form 9MU Mass M.E. Connelly

Friday 9.30am Theresa Gregory

11am Funeral Mass Mary Hallahan

Saturday 9.30am Holy Souls

5pm Thomas Flatley & People of the Parish

SUNDAY 29TH JANUARY 2023: FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)

Sunday 8.15am Christopher & Jenny McNamee 9.45am (Polish) 11.15am Julia Kuras (b'day a) & Rafal Kuras

6pm Ints of Reji & Manju (Wedd A) (live-streamed)

PLEASE NOTE: Mount Carmel 6pm Sunday Mass is now the Live Streamed Mass (No 6pm on Christmas Day)

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 MARY HALLAHAN Reception into Church 5pm Thursday 26th January, Funeral Mass 11am Friday 27th January, Jessie Hopkins Funeral Mass 12.15pm Thursday 2nd February Joe Donaghy Relative of a parishioner Paddy Conlon in Ireland, relative of parishioner. 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, 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, John Thomas O'Neill (Baby 4 weeks old) Sue English, Mick O'Connor

Lamp at the Shrine of Our Lady

This week for Mick, Sarah & Deceased of the Ginty Family...
Next week for a Special Intention Eloise Wall

Lamp at the Shrine of the Sacred Heart

This week in loving memory of MICHAEL & ANTONINA BOBOWSKI Next week Free at the Moment

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

FOLLOW ME, AND I WILL MAKE

YOU FISHERS OF MEN.

MATTHEW 4:19

Flame of Love of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Prayer Meeting after Mass on Tuesdays 10-11am

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT & CONFESSION

Saturdays 10am—11am or by appointment

PARISH COUNCIL OPEN MEETING
7pmTuesday 31 January in the Parish Hall
For those parishioners who have expressed

an interest in joining the Parish Council and for anyone else who may wish to know more about the Parish Council

Vacancies for Foundation Governors

at St Augustine's Catholic High School. If you would like to find out more about becoming a governor, contact via email on governor@magnificat.org.uk. For application form visit www.bdes.org.uk/v3-newacademies.html and choose 'Foundation governor application form' tab.

PARISH FUNDRAISING OPEN MEETING Tuesday 31st January 7pm in Parish Hall

COUNTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Team 3—P & B Holder A Tamburro

PARISH SENIORS' GROUP

NEXT MEETING THURSDAY 2ND FEBRUARY 2.30PM IN PARISH HALL

Please put mobile phones on Silent when at Mass thankyou

ALTAR SERVERS ST STEPHEN'S MEDALS

We will be arranging a date sometime around Eastertide to present the St Stephen's medals. If you have served for more than a year, could you please let Paul Brewster know. Also if you have served for 10 years you will be eligible for a Silver Medal which we will have to order from the Guild.

> 2023 CATHOLIC DIARIES WITH ORDER OF MASS

We have 4 in black £3.25 each.

Monday Saint Nicholas Owen, Religious

Saints for the week ...

St Nicholas Owen was born in 1550. He was a Jesuit lay brother. As a skilled carpenter, he built numerous priest holes during the reign of Queen Elizabeth I of England. After his final arrest, he died as a result of torture by prison authorities in the Tower of London in 1606.

Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop, Doctor of the Church **Tuesday**

(1567-1622) Born in Thorens, Savoy (France). With apostolic zeal, St Francis de Sales fought Calvinism. He was Bishop of Geneva. With St Jane Frances de Chantal, he founded the Order of the Visitation. He wrote the 'Introduction to the Devout Life', a classic of spiritual direction. He died in Lyons and was canonized in 1655. In 1877, Pope Pius IX proclaimed him a Doctor of the Church.

Feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul, the Apostle Wednesday

Saints Timothy and Titus, Bishops **Thursday**

(+97) St Timothy was the son of a pagan father and a Hebrew-Christian mother, Eunice. He was a disciple of St Paul and accompanied him in the evangelisation of many cities. St Paul consecrated him bishop of Ephesus. According to a fourth century story, he was beaten to death by a mob, when he opposed the observance of a pagan festival.

St Titus was also a friend and disciple of St Paul who ordained him bishop of Crete.

St Paul wrote to these two disciples three pastoral letters, which gave glimpses of the structure of the Church.

Blessed Edward Oldcorne, Priest, Martyr or of Saint Angela Merici, Virgin

Blessed Edward Oldcorne was born in York in 1561 and was ordained a priest in 1587 and became a Jesuit the following year. He worked in Worcestershire. He was arrested on 27 January 1606, and although his involvement in the gun powder plot was unclear, he was executed at Red Hill, Worcester on 7 April of the same year. He was beatified in 1929.

(1470-1540) St Angela was born in northern Italy. In 1516 she founded the order of the Ursulines, the first teaching Order for women approved by the church. Italy then was rife with violence and open immorality. St Angela believed that the formation of Christian women was society's greatest need.

Saturday Saint Thomas Aguinas, Priest, Doctor of the Church

(1225-1274) He was educated at the abbey of Monte Cassino and at the University of Naples. In about 1244, he joined the Dominican Order. He is considered one of the greatest philosophers and theologians of all times. St Thomas gained the title of 'Angelic Doctor'. He had an undisputed mastery of scholastic theology and a profound holiness of life. Pope Leo XIII declared him Patron of Catholic Schools. His monumental work, 'Summa Theologiae' was still unfinished when he died.

Mount Carmel 500 Club Winners for January

No 144 Fr Craig Szmidt 2nd Prize £50 1st Prize £120.00 No 114 Anne Colley

Subscriptions are due for the year Oct 2022-Oct 2023, Cheques should be made payable to: Mount Carmel 500 Club. Thankyou to all those who have already paid.

Holocaust Memorial Day Event 28th January 2023

Every year on 27 January, the world marks Holocaust Memorial Day (HMD), the theme this year is 'Ordinary People'. Arrangements for the day are: 10.15am at the Town Hall, Holocaust Memorial Day Procession to leave the Town Hall, Ceremony at the Holocaust Marker, Church Green followed by refreshments.

A PROLIFE RETHINK ABORTION DAY ...

Saturday 4th February at St Mary's College, Oscott, B73 5AA

10am-5pm (Optional Mass at 9am) -Cost £25 including a hot meal and refreshments throughout the day

An interactive educational session equipping you to talk to people around you about abortion in a meaningful way in your everyday life. To find out more and to book a place, visit the 'marchforlife.co.uk' website or for more information contact 07765 499669.

Right to Life Bidding Prayer for this week ...

As this coming Wednesday opens a week of prayer for Christian Unity, let us pray that all Christians might express our shared love of Christ in charity towards the most vulnerable, including the sick, the poor, and the unborn. Lord hear us.

CAFOD

We have received a letter from CAFOD thanking parishioners for your generous support of CAFOD this year and for your latest donation of £496.93 which was received on 13 January 2023. They ask that we keep all those affected by the food crisis, - including those here at home—in our prayers.

Vacancies

Mount Carmel School: Lunchtime Supervisor Monday to Friday 12.15pm—1,20pm term time only. Please contact Rita Kennedy on 01527 546398 or email olmc-office@olmc.maanificat.ora.uk Part Time Cleaner ASAP 10hrs per week Monday-Friday 3.30pm-5.30pm— please visit www.magnificat.org.uk/vacancies for application form & consent for references, both return to Mrs R Kennedy at olmc-office.magnificat.org.uk

FREE unwanted Hewlett Packard 3634 Desktop Printer, Copier & Scan Parishioner moving abroad -Contact Parish Office