

# OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL, REDDITCH

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NEWSLETTER 2125 29TH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR A 22ND OCTOBER 2023

Readings: Isaiah 45:1,4-6 Psalm 95 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5 Gospel Matthew 22:15-21

### Reflection for this Sunday ...

The question put to Jesus was a test question to see whether he would declare himself on the side of those who opposed paying taxes to the Romans (e.g. the Pharisees), or on the side of those who collaborated with the Romans (e.g. the Herodians). If he said Yes, he would lose the esteem of the people, and would be regarded as a traitor to the Jewish cause and the Jewish religion. If he said No, he could be denounced as fomenting rebellion against Rome. In his answer Jesus recognises that the State has a role, but its power is limited and does not supplant God.



#### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 22ND OCTOBER 2023

Saturday 5pm John Morrissey (b'day a)

8.15am Boyd & Shanley Families 9.45am (Polish) 11.15am Joan Avern (a) & People of the Parish Sunday

> Myrtle Wilson (b'day a) (live-streamed) 6pm

Monday 6pm Agnes Campbell **Holy Souls** STM School 9am

Tuesday 9.30am Monica Cormac & Gerry Bree

9.30am Maureen Stubbings Wednesday **Thursday** 7pm James Kehoe

9.40am Annual Mass for Benefactors (Johnson Fund) STA School

Friday 9.30am Dolores Gallagher 2.30pm Yr 5 Mass Galton Trust STB School Saturday 9.30am Ints of M M Richardson

Peter Brogan & People of the Parish

**CONFESSION & BENEDICTION** 

**Parish Rosary Prayer Group after Mass** 

followed by Flame of Love of the

**Immaculate Heart of Mary Prayer Meeting** 

Saturdays 10am—11am or by appointment

Mass Intentions for 30th Sunday of the Year A 29th October 2023

8.15am Peter Baker & Moses O'Leary 9.45am (Polish) 11.15am Holy Souls & Joseph Paul (a) Sunday

> 6pm Michael Mundy & Terrance Rzezniczak (month's mind) (live-streamed)

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

#### For the Dead ...

Please pray for Francis Keaney Reception of Body 5pm Monday 30th October, Funeral Mass 11am Tuesday 31st October. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Please pray for Fr Tony, Brian Dixon, Ken McArdle, Caroline & Bob Holland, Gail Kavanagh, Christine Murray, Julia HOPKINS, EDDIE & GERALDINE McGroarty, Carina Chalk, Annie Cox, John Heatley, Bridie McConnell, Tracey Hawthorn, DEACON DES CHILTON, DELIA BREE, JULIAN MCRANDAL, JACKIE POOLY, MICK O'CONNOR & MAYA MASON, LEONARD ROSE, ANNIE CLEARY, JOHN J BURAK, TOMMY CAFFNEY, EILEEN PERRY & HELENA BAXTER, HALLIE ROSE, BILL BARBER, GRAZYNA JUSZKIEWICZ, JANE ELLIOTT, DAVID CRUISE, KATHLEEN MOYSEY, JOSEPHINE NORTON, KATH WILLIAMS, BERTIE MCHUGH

#### Lamp at the Shrine of Our Lady

This week for the intentions of NIMISHA & NITIN REJI Next week in loving memory of STANLEY CATER

### Lamp at the Shrine of the Sacred Heart This week in loving memory of Tony Deehan (A)

Next week for RITA & EDDIE HUGHES



#### **NEARLY NEW SALE**

#### Saturday October 28th Parish Hall 12 noon

Wanted nearly new clothes & shoes in good condition (adults & children) Bric a Brac All proceeds to the Parish Hall Fund Hall open from 9am for helpers and donations can be brought in on the day

#### THANK YOU'S .....

#### **NEW HYMN BOOKS**

You will have noticed we have new Hymn Books in

church which were donated anonymously. It was a very kind gesture for which we are very thankful and much appreciated.

#### NEW WINDOWS IN THE PARISH HALL

Some of you may have noticed this week that new windows have been installed in the Parish Hall. We would like to express our thanks to all who have contributed and who continue to contribute by collections and donations to this project.

## 3 Course Charity Buffet Meal Saturday 11 November AFTER 5PM MASS IN THE PARISH HALL

**MENU** Homemade Mushroom Soup with fresh selection of breads/bread rolls Sweet Chilli Pork cooked in Oyster & Soya Sauce with Jasmine Rice

Beef Stroganoff served with potato wedges Palak Paneer Cottage Cheese cooked in young Spinach & Naan Bread

Bacon, Cauliflower & Broccoli bake with Garlic Bread Bakewell Tart with flaked almonds served with custard and ice cream

Tickets available soon Adults £15, Children £7.50

#### 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 Saint John of Capestrano, Priest

St John was born at Capestrano, in Italy, in 1386. For a short time he held the office of judge. As a member of the Friars Minor, he was ordained priest and travelled across Eastern Europe preaching the Gospel. He preached a Crusade and gathered a strong army which defeated the Turks at the Battle of Belgrade. He died in 1456.

#### Tuesday Saint Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop

St Anthony Mary Claret was born at Sallent, Spain, in 1807. As a priest he is remembered for his missionary work in Catalonia and the Canary Islands and founding the Claretian Fathers. He was ordained bishop of Cuba. He spread devotion to the Blessed Sacrament and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. He died in 1870.

#### Thursday Saint Cedd, Bishop

St Cedd, like Chad, was educated at Lindisfarne and was bishop to the East Saxons at Bradwell, with his See at Othona. He died in 664.

#### Saturday Feast of Saints Simon and Jude, Apostles

St Simon was from Cana in Galilee and known as the Zealot. St Jude, also known in the gospels as Thaddaeus, is the author of a short epistle in the New Testament. They preached in Mesopotamia and Persia and were martyred. Their names appear in the Roman Canon.

#### Right to Life Prayer

Let us pray for fathers and mothers of growing families, that their relations and friends, and the wider community, would rally around them with encouragement, support, friendliness and love. Lord hear us.

#### Climate Action in the Archdiocese: responding to the climate crisis in our homes, parishes & communities

There are still places left for this event at St Chad's (in the Grimshaw Room) next Saturday 28th October. Arrivals from 10am for a 10.30 start, ending around 3pm. Refreshments provided but please bring a packed lunch. Irt will included short talks from Fr rob Taylerson, (Archbishop's Advisor & Spiritual Director at St Mary's College, Oscott) and Tom Piotrowski (Diocesan Trustee, and member of Climate Action Group). Opportunities for discussion and questions. Given the importance of this year's topic it is hoped that laity, religious and clergy will attend from around the diocese. St Chad's is easy to get to by train from Redditch and is just a 10-15 minutes walk from New Street Station or 5 minutes by Metro (tram). Details, programme and booking link is at: <a href="https://www.birminghamjandp.org.uk/annual-assemblies.html">https://www.birminghamjandp.org.uk/annual-assemblies.html</a>

#### Future events ......

Saturday November 18th Parish Christmas Meal + Raffle 12 noon in Parish Hall, Raffle Tickets available soon.

Saturday December 9th **Bel Canto Christmas Concert** in Mt Carmel 7.30pm Tuesday December 19th **Parish Christmas Carol Service** 7pm in Mount Carmel Wednesday January 17th 2024 **Quiz Night** in Parish Hall

**COUNTERS FOR THIS WEEKEND** Team 2 J McHugh C Morgan A Chatterley **COUNTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND** Team 3 P & B Holder A Tamburro

# Droitwich & District Circle: The Catenian Association In Our Time The Changing Church from Pius to Francis

Mgrs John Moran, Patrick Kilgarriff & Canon Brian McGinley looking back over their lives as priests and looking forward to the future of the Francis-led Church.

#### Thursday 9 November, 7pm at St George's, Worcester WR1 1UG

From 7pm to 9.30pm our three distinguished and much-loved priests will talk about their lives since ordination, their expectations and how it has turned out. It promises to be a wonderful and fascinating evening. No cost, just notify your attendance to **Jim Quinn** on **01299 851021**, **email j.quinn789@btinternet.com or text 07960 218925** 

#### Charity Peruvian Craft Sale: Saturday 4 November 12 noon—4pm

For the tiny charity 'Aid for Chad & Peru'. There will be Christmas decorations, knitted

nativity sets and beautiful leather bags & rucksacks. Cakes, tea, coffee, mulled wine and other delights available. Venue: Ann Smith's home, 3 White House Drive, Barnt Green B45 8HF. Email: Nooey98@gmail.com or phone 0121 445 1374, 07946 366 326

#### Studley Art Circle Art Exhibition & Craft Sale: Saturday 28 October 10am—4pm

Studley Parish Centre, Old Vicarage Gardens, Studley B80 7SG. Admission Free—all welcome—one of our parishioners is an exhibitor.

Vacancy for a Chief Executive Officer for Fr Hudson's Care based at St George's House, Gerards Way, Coleshill B46 3FG Closing date 12pm Friday 27 October 2023, Interview Date Tuesday 28 November 2023. For further details & application pack please visit: https://www.fatherhudsons.org.uk/vacancies/chief-executive-office/381.htm or email: recruitmenthr@fatherhudsons.org.uk quoting post reference P1696. CV's not accepted—only application forms.

#### Blessing of Graves at Oscott Cemetery Saturday 4 November at 3pm

### Mount Carmel 500 Club Subscriptions now due—

If you would like to join the 500 Club which raises money for the parish, it is £12 per annum for one number, £24 per annum for two etc ... 1st Prize £120, 2nd Prize £50 For more info or application form please contact the Parish Office

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 O121 230 6240/safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns.

# PARISH SENIORS' GROUP 2.30pm in the Parish Hall

Next Meeting Thursday November 2nd Thursday November 16th Thursday November 30th

# First Holy Communion for children in non-Catholic schools

The parish Class begins 10th January 2024 on Wednesdays at 6pm during termtime If you have a child in Year 3 and over who would like to make their First Holy Communion, please contact the parish office either in person or by email to enrol your child/children

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