

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL, REDDITCH

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NEWSLETTER 2118 21st/22nd Sunday of the Year A 27th August/3rd September 2023

Readings (21st): Isaiah 22:19-23 Psalm 137 Romans 11:33-36 Gospel Matthew 16:13-20 Readings (22nd): Jeremiah 20:7-9 Psalm 62 Romans 12:1-2 Gospel Matthew 16:21-27

This is a two week Newsletter as Carol is out of the office until 4 September

Reflection for this Sunday and next...

We receive God's word in two ways. We receive it into our minds, then into our wills by acting according to what we know. We learn doctrines about God, then by acts of will practise the morality lying within them. As we know, so we do. We love not the things of the world but, with minds renewed by the Spirit, put on a new nature. In this way we offer sacrifices of self acceptable to God through Christ.



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 27TH AUGUST 2023

Saturday 5pm Pat Thompson & Gareth Harris (a)

Sunday 8.15am Ints of Paul & Barbara Holder (Diamond Wedding A) 9.45am (Polish) 11.15am Carole Hewitt

6pm People of the Parish (live-streamed)

Monday 6pm Michael Bobowski (b'day a)
Tuesday 9.30am Anne Curry & Ints of Krawiec Family

Wednesday 9.30am Christine Morrissey

Thursday 7pm Winifred Olga Hall (b'day a) & Eileen Hughes (a)

Friday 9.30am Ints of Terry Jones 6pm Latin Mass Galton Trust

Saturday 9.30am Frances Quigley

5pm People of the Parish

Parish Rosary Prayer Group after Mass followed by Flame of Love of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Prayer Meeting

CONFESSION & BENEDICTION

Saturdays 10am—11am or by appointment

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING 3RD SEPTEMBER 2023

Sunday 8.15am Laura McCann 9.45am (Polish) 11.15am Elizabeth Loboda & Ints of Emilia & Emmanuel

6pm Paulin Mikoshi (live-streamed)

Monday6pmInts of Terry JonesTuesday9.30amChristine MorrisseyWednesday9.30amMichael Bobowski (a)Thursday7pmFr Ian Ker (Johnson Fund)

Friday 9.30am Daragh Maguire 6pm Latin Mass

Saturday 9.30am Jan Burak 5pm John & Elizabeth Morrissey Then Jesus said
to His disciples,
"If anyone wishes
to come after Me,
he must deny himself,
and take up his cross
and follow Me

Martiner 15-24
Knowing-Jesus.com

MASS INTENTIONS FOR 23RD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR A 10TH SEPTEMBER 2023

Sunday 8.15am People of the Parish 9.45am (Polish) 11.15am Peter Cornyn (a) 6pm Thanksgiving (live-streamed)

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

For the Dead ...

Please pray for MARY McGowan, in Ireland, relative of parishioners. May her soul 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, Alice Cairns, Carina Chalk, Annie Cox, John Heatley, Bridie McConnell, Tracey Hawthorn, Deacon Des Chilton, Delia Bree, Julian McRandal, Jackie Pooly, Elizabeth Peart, Mick O'Connor & Maya Mason, Fiona Evans, Leonard Rose, Annie Cleary, John J Burak, Tommy Caffney, Eileen Perry & Helena Baxter, Hallie Rose, Bill Barber, Grazyna Juszkiewicz

Lamp at the Shrine of Our Lady

This week for the Intentions of Nimisha Reji Next week in loving memory of Elizabeth Loboda Week after for the Intentions of Nitin Reji Lamp at the Shrine of the Sacred Heart This week for James, Christina & Mary O'Brien Next week for the Intentions of Nimisha Reji Week after for the Intentions of Nitin Reji

CARMELITE COMMUNITY DAY OF RECOLLECTION SATURDAY 7 OCTOBER

The Birmingham Carmelite Community have organised a day of recollection at St Paul's Convent, Selly Park. The day will be led by a priest and will include a talk, Holy Mass and Confession. The cost is £15 which includes a simple lunch. Payment needs to be make by 2nd September and no refunds will be given after that date. Further information is available from Susan Porter, convenor of Redditch Carmelite Spirituality Group via the Parish Office.

CAFOD/LAUDATO SI' GROUP MEETING

The next meeting of the group is Tuesday 29 August at 10am in the parish hall, anyone is most welcome to come along and join us. At this meeting we will be preparing for 'The Season of Creation' which starts on 1 September, the World Day of Prayer for Creation and ends on 4 October, the Feast of St Francis. Tea/Coffee and biscuits will be available

Fundraising Meeting
Tuesday 5 September
7pm in the Parish Hall
All welcome

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*

SAINTS FOR THIS WEEK AND NEXT

Monday Saint Augustine, Bishop, Doctor of the Church

(354-430) Born in Tagaste, Africa. At first, he followed his mother's example, but later fell into a licentious way of life. 'My sins increased like a rolling snowball,' he wrote in his 'Confessions'. His mother, St Monica, constantly prayed for his conversion. He converted at the age of thirty-three in Milan, where he was baptised by St Ambrose. He went to Africa and was elected Bishop of Hippo. There, he undertook an enormous activity of preaching and writing in defence of the Faith. He is one of the greatest doctors of the Church.

Tuesday Passion of Saint John the Baptist, Martyr

Wednesday Saints Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line and Margaret Ward, Virgin

This day commemorates the three canonised female martyrs of the English Reformation: St Margaret Clitherow (1556-1586), a native of York and convert to Catholicism, who sheltered priests and was pressed to death in her home town on 25 March 1685. St Anne Line (1567-1601) from Dunmow, Essex, who also harboured priests, was hanged at Tyburn on 27 February 1601. St Margaret Ward (+1588) born in Congleton, Cheshire, who worked in London and attempted to help a priest escape from prison. She was hanged at Tyburn on 30 August 1588. All three were canonised in 1970 amongst the Forty Martyrs of England and Wales.

Thursday Saint Aidan, Bishop and the Saints of Lindisfarne

(+651) St Aidan was an Irish monk who joined the community of Iona and went to preach the Gospel in Northumbria. He was consecrated bishop and settled on the Island of Lindisfarne with the support of King St Oswald and his successor St Oswin. After St Aidan's death in 651, the 'Holy Island' of Lindisfarne continued to produce many Saints instrumental in the evangelisation of northern England, until the monastery was devastated by Vikings. These Saints include the bishops St Finian, St Colman, St Eata, St Eadfrith and St Cuthbert.

Monday Saint Cuthbert, Bishop

(c634-687) St Cuthbert worked as a shepherd in Northumbria until he joined the monastic community at Melrose under St Eata. He moved to Lindisfarne and did much to spread the Gospel in the area, before embracing the eremitical life on the isle of Farne. In 684 he became Bishop of Hexham, but quickly exchanged Sees with St Eata, who was by now bishop of Lindisfarne. He was known for his holiness of his life and his many miracles. Buried originally at Lindisfarne, is body was later moved to Durham and found to be incorrupt.

Friday Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Saturday Saint Osburg. Abbess or of Saint Peter Claver, Priest or of Our Lady on Saturday

(c 1016) St Osburg was the first abbess of the nunnery founded by King Canute at Coventry. She worked to care for the poor and vulnerable of the city. Her cult was confirmed in the fifteenth century, but she may be a saint of a much earlier date.

(1580-1654) St Peter Claver was born at Verdú in Catalonia, Spain, and entered the Society of Jesus. In 1610 he was sent to Colombia and began his life's work among the slaves. He cared for them and baptised more than 300,000 during his thirty-three years of tireless ministry.

Right to Life Prayer for this week

We pray for pregnant women who feel they are faced with a difficult decision. We ask that they may be given hope, filled with the love of God, and guided away from a course of despair and onto one of love and acceptance of the gift of life. Lord hear us.

Pope's Prayer Intention for September -for people living on the margins

We pray that those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions, may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance.

Please don't forget Salina's Letter to the World Bank

If you didn't get to sign it there is till chance. Until the end of August one of the letters will be on a **table near the door on the Sacred Heart side**. Please sign if you haven't already done so. Together we can make a difference for small scale farmers like Salina.

COUNTERS FOR THIS WEEKEND Team 2 J McHugh C Morgan A Chatterley COUNTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND Team 3 P & B Holder T Tamburro COUNTERS FOR WEEKEND AFTER Team 4 J Hardcastle T & B Hughes

MARCH FOR LIFE UK 2 SEPTEMBER IN LONDON

Morning Events: The Emmanuel Centre, Marsham St, SW1P 3DW 10.30am-1pm,

Mass 10.30am Westminster Cathedral. The March from the Emmanuel Centre, ending at Parliament
Square 4.30pm. More information visit INFO@MARCHFORLIFE.CO.UK or contact Isabel
07773501721 or Ben 07885505116

Please put mobile phones on silent when at Mass thankyou

PARISH SENIORS' GROUP in the Parish Hall

Thursday September 7th
2.30pm
Thursday September 21st
Trip to Stratford-upon-Avon
Boat Trip & Fish & Chips
Lunch

Altar Servers

The Guild of St Stephen's Annual Mass of Thanksgiving will be celebrated on **Saturday 7th October 2023 at 12 noon** celebrated by Bishop David Evans at St Chad's Cathedral—Fr Craig Szmidt has asked that we let the Guild know by Monday 18th September if we are going. Please let Paul Brewster know if you would like to attend. All servers are to wear their cassocks and cottas and make their way to the crypt, where they can vest and await the procession into the Cathedral.

Redditch Operatic Society present EVITA at the Palace Theatre Tuesday 21—Saturday 25 NovemberBook your tickets via **TICKET HOTLINE 01527 304009** before 31 October and pay no booking fee. Special rates and discounts available for group bookings. Phone ticket hotline for details.

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.