



OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL, REDDITCH

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The Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham: Registered Charity No. 234216

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Permanent Deacon: Revd Des Chilton

NEWSLETTER 2080 **FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT YEAR A** 27TH NOVEMBER 2022

Readings Isaiah 2:1-5 Psalm 121 Romans 13:11-14 Gospel Matthew 24:37-44

REFLECTION FOR THIS SUNDAY

With the first Sunday of Advent a new liturgical year begins: the People of God begin again on the way to living the mystery of Christ in history. Christ is the same yesterday, today and for ever; history, instead, changes and requires constant evangelisation; it needs to be renewed from within and the only true novelty is Christ: he is its fulfilment, the luminous future of humanity and of the world. Risen from the dead, Jesus is the Lord to whom God subjects all enemies, including death itself. Advent is therefore the propitious time to awaken in our hearts the expectation of he 'who is and who was and who is to come'. Pope Benedict XVI



MASS FOR DECEASED PARISHIONERS 7PM TUESDAY 29 NOVEMBER

During this Mass the names of those parishioners who have died since the last time we were able to have this special Mass will be read out and a candle lit for each one of them (approximately December 2019-November 2022). Teas & Coffee available in the parish hall after the Mass.

IMPORTANT—Please note

our Mount Carmel email address office@mtcarmel.co.uk is out of action at the moment

—if you wish to contact the parish office by email please use olmc.redditch@rcaob.org.uk

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING 27TH NOVEMBER 2022

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| Saturday | 5pm | Peter & David McHugh |
| Sunday | 8.15am | Michael Braley 9.45am (Polish) 11.15am Ints of Emma Sampays & People of the Parish |
| | 6pm | Charles Bright (b'day a) (live-streamed) |
| Monday | 6pm | Eileen Sinclair & Judy Reynolds |
| MCS School | 9.10am | Anne Curry |
| Tuesday | 9.30am | Patsy Korzeniowska & Wojciech & Bronislawa Slobodzian |
| | 7pm | Mass for deceased parishioners |
| Wednesday | 9.30am | Kathleen McGreal & Gerry Bree |
| | 5pm | Reception of Body Bridget Ward |
| Thursday | 10.30am | Funeral Mass Bridget Ward |
| | 7pm | Patsy Korzeniowska & Jan Vasilko |
| Friday | 9.30am | Kath, Jack, Allan & Pattie Coombes |
| | 6pm | Latin Mass Holy Souls |
| STB School | 2.30pm | Adoration |
| Saturday | 9.30am | Elizabeth Loboda |
| | 5pm | Myrtle Wilson (a) |

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

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT 4TH DECEMBER 2022

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| Sunday | 8.15am | Ken Griffiths 9.45am (Polish) 11.15am MCS FHC Mass 'Belonging' Allan Coombes |
| | 6pm | Elizabeth Loboda & People of the Parish (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 BRIDGET WARD Reception into church 5pm Wednesday 30th November, Funeral Mass 10.30am Thursday 1st December. 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

Lamp at the Shrine of Our Lady

This week for the DURR & REARDON FAMILIES ...

Next week in loving memory of BRIDIE O'SHEA & EILEEN MAHER (A)

Lamp at the Shrine of the Sacred Heart

This week for the MCNAMEE, HARTE & BARRATT FAMILIES

Next week in loving memory of MAUREEN CRANNY

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 the people of Ukraine and the world*

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

Keep the dates...

CHRISTMAS AFTERNOON TEA

Saturday 3rd December
Mount Carmel Parish Hall
Grand Raffle

CAROL SERVICE

7pm Tuesday 20th December
Followed by Mulled Wine &
Mince Pies in Parish Hall

COUNTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Team 1 T Craig D Cruise L Hailes L Kings

SENIORS GROUP

1ST DECEMBER CHRISTMAS TRIP TO
WEBBS & WORCESTER VICTORIAN
MARKETS £10

PARISH DIARY

Monday 7pm Choir Practice
Thursday Journey in Faith 7.30pm

Second Collection

Poor Parishes Fund
3/4 December

GRAND RAFFLE

Draw to take place at the Christmas
Afternoon Tea in the Parish Hall on
Saturday 3rd December

DONATIONS for the raffle prizes would be
greatly appreciated—

1st Prize & 2nd Prize (*received thank you*)
Bottles of spirits & wine, biscuits,
Chocolates, unwanted gifts etc.

**RAFFLE TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM
CHURCH/PARISH OFFICE £2.50 A BOOK**

Laudato Si Group

One of the suggestions at the Laudato Si/Cafod Fix the Food System event was to have a basket in church where we could support the Redditch Foodbank. A black container is now in the main porch for any donations. At the moment they would appreciate— tinned peas, carrots, sweetcorn, minced beef, stewing steak, pasta sauce, jams/honey/spreads and tinned custard (they **DO NOT** need sugar, baked beans, pasta or tinned tomatoes). Further information about what's needed can be found on the following weblink: <https://redditch.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/> We are also looking for volunteers to be part of a rota to take the donations to the food bank, if you can help, please contact Bob & Jo Mansell either by email bob.mansell@me.com or telephone 07747 865235.

CHRISTMAS TRADICRAFT

Every year the Laudato Si Group arranges a Christmas sale of Traidcraft fairly traded items. This year it will be next Sunday (4 December) after the 8.15am & 11.15am Masses in the Parish Hall. Free refreshments will also be available. The Traidcraft Stall will move to the chapel by the main porch after 6pm Mass. Buying Traidcraft items supports community producers in developing countries and buying their Christmas cards support CAFOD. There will be a sale of Traidcraft goods and free refreshments in the parish hall after the 5pm, 8.15am & 11.15am Mass on the weekend of 10/11 December.

CAN YOU HELP THE PARISH ST VINCENT DE PAUL?

The Parish SVP are inviting parishioners to help needy families and individuals this Christmas. We fully appreciate how difficult times are, however, we have been inundated with requests to support those most in need this Christmas. Since the start of the pandemic we have supported hundreds of families and individuals in our parish, parish schools, and wider community with nearly £20,000 of support. Due to this our funds are very short and we are appealing for your support to help continue this work. If you are able to help please hand your donation into the Parish office in an envelope, marked 'SVP Christmas Appeal'. Thank you!

Saints for the week ...

Wednesday Feast of Saint Andrew, Apostle

(1st century) St Andrew was born at Bethsaida and worked as a fisherman. He is called the Protokletos or 'first called', for he was originally a disciple of St John the Baptist before following Christ and bringing with him his brother, St Peter. After Pentecost he zealously preached the gospel and was crucified at Patras, Greece. He is the patron of Scotland, where his relics were formerly venerated at St Andrews.

Thursday Feast of Saint Edmund Campion, Priest, Martyr

(1540-1581) St Edmund Campion was born in London and educated at Christ's Hospital school. He was a brilliant student at Oxford. Reconciled to the Catholic church, he passed on to Douai and then to Rome where he joined the Jesuits. Next, he worked in Bohemia, and finally for one year, on the English Mission. His extraordinary success caused him to be hunted down relentlessly. He was martyred at Tyburn.

Friday First Friday

Saturday Saint Francis Xavier, Priest

(1506-1552) St Francis Xavier was born near Pamplona in what is now Spain and studied in Paris, where he became a follower of St Ignatius of Loyola. A founding member of the Society of Jesus, he tirelessly brought the Gospel to India, Borneo, Indonesia and Japan. He died of fever on Shangchuan Island in 1552 while travelling to China. He is now buried in Goa.

Pope's Prayer Intention for December :

For volunteer not-for-profit organisations—We pray that volunteer non-profit organisations committed to human development find people dedicated to the common good and ceaselessly seek out new paths to international co-operation.

ST AUGUSTINE'S OAP CHRISTMAS PARTY IS BACK! 2PM TUESDAY 6 DECEMBER

Raffle, Afternoon Tea, music and more. Please email Ms Mason if you would like to attend amazon@sta.magnificat.org.uk

Mount Carmel 500 Club

Subscriptions are now due for the year Oct 2022-Oct 2023, Cheques should be made payable to: Mount Carmel 500 Club. Thankyou

Vacancies

St Augustine's High School : St Augustine's are recruiting for a full time Lay Chaplain, please visit www.st-augustines.worcs.sch.uk for more information

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.magnificat.org.uk or telephone 07979 608496.


Please put mobile phones on
Silent when at Mass thankyou

The code for the Outside Toilet is C1458

Stay awake, for you know
neither the day nor the

HOUR

Pray
for
Vocations



Would you like to receive your Newsletter via email?

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