



OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL, REDDITCH

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NEWSLETTER 2151 **FIFTH SUNDAY IN EASTER 28TH APRIL 2024**

Readings: Acts 4:8-12 Psalm 117 1 John 3:1-2 Gospel John 10:11-18

Reflection for this Sunday ...

On this Fifth Sunday of Easter, the liturgy presents us with the Gospel passage of John in which Jesus, speaking to the disciples at the Last Supper, exhorts them to remain united to him like the branches to the vine. It is a truly meaningful parable as it expresses with great effectiveness that Christian life is a mystery of communion with Jesus: 'Whoever remains in me', says the Lord, 'will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing' (Jn 15:5). The secret of spiritual fruitfulness is union with God, union that is realised especially in the Eucharist, also rightly called 'Communion'.

Pope Benedict XVI



MASS INTENTIONS for the week beginning Sunday 28th April 2024

Saturday	5pm	Sean McArdle & People of the Parish
Sunday	8.15am	Ints of Paul Skinner 9.45am (Polish) 11.15am Michael Mundy (a) 6pm Pat Reardon (live-streamed)
Monday	6pm	Raphel Poulouse (a)
STM School	9am	Galton Trust
Tuesday	9.30am	Kitty Fanning (a)
Wednesday	9.30am	Shirley Courts & Brendan Geraghty (a)
Thursday	7pm	Holy Souls & Mary Hickey (a)
STA School	9.40am	Anne Curry
Friday	9.30am	Intentions of the Webb Family
	7pm	Latin Mass Brian Campbell
Saturday	9.30am	Ints of Margaret Brannan & family
	5pm	Lady Jeanne Hunt

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

CONFESSION & BENEDICTION
Saturdays 10am—11am
or by appointment

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 5th May 2024

Sunday	8.15am	Daphne Frith & People of the Parish 9.45am (Polish) 11.15am Holy Souls
	6pm	Eric Asbury-Jackson (Live-Streamed)

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

For the Dead ...

Please pray for **BRIGID BURKE** Mother of Emma Sampays, Funeral Mass 1.15pm Tuesday 7th May, **JOHN CAMPBELL** Funeral Mass 1pm Thursday 9th May, **DANIEL OSBORNE** Memorial Mass 12 noon Friday 7th June here at Mount Carmel. 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, CAROLINE & BOB HOLLAND, EDDIE & GERALDINE MCGROARTY, JOHN HEATLEY, BRIDIE & PAUL MCCONNELL, DELIA BREE, JULIAN MC RANDAL, JACKIE POOLY, MICK O'CONNOR & MAYA MASON, LEONARD ROSE, ANNIE CLEARY, TOMMY CAFFNEY, HALLIE ROSE, BILL BARBER, GRAZYNA JUSZKIEWICZ, JANE ELLIOTT, DAVID CRUISE, KATH WILLIAMS, MICHAEL & MARIA YATES, YVONNE COLEMAN, TRACY HAWTHORN, PIUS MCDERMOTT, CLIVE MCCOLGAN, JANE-CHRISTINA THOMSON, HELEN HORVATH, JEAN MAITLAND**

Lamp at the Shrine of Our Lady

This week in loving memory of **DANIEL OSBORNE & INTS OF ROSE & FAMILY**
Next week for the intentions of **PAUL MCCONNELL**

Lamp at the Shrine of the Sacred Heart

This week in loving memory of **DAVID (A)**
Next week for the intentions of **HELEN HORVATH**



PARISH SENIORS' GROUP
2pm in the Parish Hall

Next Meeting
Thursday 2nd May
Bingo

CAFOD Sudan Crisis Appeal—URGENT



Millions of families in Sudan, forced to flee their homes amid conflict, now face yet another urgent crisis—extreme hunger. Please give to CAFOD's Sudan Crisis Appeal at cafod.org.uk/sudanappeal or call 0808 58 588 85 or scan the code opposite. Your donation will help CAFOD's partners to support more families with food packages and help to get medicines, as well as rebuilding water pipelines so clean water can reach communities who need it. Please pray and please give. Every gift is needed. Thank you for your generosity and your prayers.

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 THIS WEEK

Monday Saint Catherine of Siena, Virgin, Doctor of the Church, Patron of Europe

(1346-1380) St Catherine was a responsible instrument for the return of Pope Gregory XI from Avignon to Rome. In deed and in truth, she showed her love for God's Church and the Roman Pontiff. With her short life she gave us a lesson in courage: the courage of telling the truth for love of the Church and souls. Imprinted with the sacred stigmata, she died in Rome at thirty-three years of age. She was proclaimed patroness of Italy on 18 June 1939. In 1970, Pope Saint Paul VI proclaimed her Doctor of the Church.

Wednesday Saint Joseph the Worker

Thursday Saint Athanasius, Bishop, Doctor of the Church

(295-373) St Athanasius, Bishop of Alexandria, Egypt, became the champion of the fight against Arianism at the Council of Nicea. He suffered persecution and was exiled for seventeen years for resisting compromise in essentials of the Faith. He wrote many works on apologetics.

Friday Feast of Saints Philip and James, Apostles

Like St Peter and St Andrew, St Philip was from Bethsaida. He was crucified at Hierapolis in Phrygia, where he had preached the Gospel. He introduced St Bartholomew to Christ. Christ declared to St Philip, 'He that hath seen me, hath seen the Father I am in the Father and the Father in me' (John 14: 8-9)

Saturday Feast of the English Martyrs

This feast celebrates the many men and women who suffered for the Faith in England between 1535 and 1680 and have subsequently been recognised by the Church. These included priests, both secular and religious, as well as laity who were prepared to shelter them, to arrange secret Masses, and to witness the Faith. They came from all ages and backgrounds, and their heroic witness helps us have a greater love for the Church, the Mass and the Priesthood.

Pope's Prayer Intention for May

For the formation of religious and seminarians

We pray that religious women and men, and seminarians, grow in their own vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the Gospel.

Fire Wardens

Many thanks for all who volunteered to be Fire Wardens. Training material is being distributed this weekend by Trevor, either as a video or as hard copy. A meeting will be organised if necessary. Preparations for live fire extinguisher training are being made. We are still in need of volunteers, in particular from the choirs and for the Saturday 5pm Mass.

Contact Trevor at trevor@trevorhughes.co.uk or 07479 013 894

Climate Change

Cars and taxis contribute 52% of the CO2 emissions created by domestic transport, making them the largest contribution in the transport sector. (source www.Greenmatch.co.uk—2024). One way we could help to reduce this, and its impact on the climate, is to consider car sharing our journey to Mass. Do you know anyone in your local area who comes to Mass, perhaps you could share the journey? By doing this we would also be responding to the call from the Pope to 'Care for our Common Home' in his encyclical 'Laudato Si'.

Foodbank

Thank you for the generous contributions to the Foodbank recently. This was very much appreciated when it was taken on Monday. They are in need of toiletries, particularly shampoo.

Thanksgiving Mass for Marriage : Saturday 4 May at 12 noon

An invitation is extended to married couples, those celebrating a milestone anniversary and those preparing to marry this year, to our Annual Mass for Marriage at St Chad's Cathedral on Saturday 4 May at 12 noon, followed by light refreshments. If you wish to attend please visit <https://www.vocations.org.uk/marriage-mass>

Take a virtual tour with Elena Curti' 3pm Saturday 15 June

An event hosted by the Droitwich & District Catenians.

Venue : The Sacred Heart & St Catherine of Alexandria Church, Droitwich
Elena Curti will take you on a journey of discovery exploring churches featured in her books, including the Sacred Heart in Droitwich. Presentation, Question & Answer, Meet the Author and Book Signing. Books will be on sale at £12 (rrp £14.99) £2 will be donated to the 'Aid to the Church in Need Holy Land Appeal'

Tickets £10—to buy tickets scan the QR code on the poster or leaflets in the porches or visit <https://bit.ly/3vGYbRn>

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: safeguarding@lmc@gmail.com or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns.

COUNTERS FOR THIS WEEKEND

Team 2 J McHugh C Morgan A Chatterley

COUNTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Team 3 P & B Holder T Tamburro

Dates for your diary

Sunday 9 June

SUMMER FAYRE in the presbytery garden—
Raffle tickets available soon

Tuesday 16 July Patronal Feast

Friday 27 September Harvest Supper & Quiz

Saturday 30 November Christmas Lunch

December Parish Carol Service

McCarron School of Irish Dance Lessons

for boys & girls age 3 & upwards

4pm-5pm Tuesdays

Mount Carmel Church Parish Hall

For more information please contact us on 07429 019367

Find us on Facebook & Instagram : [mccarrondance](https://www.facebook.com/mccarrondance)

PARISH TOILETS

During Mass times the toilet in the parish hall will be open. Please make sure the toilet is flushed and left as you would wish to find it.
PLEASE DO NOT PUT PAPER TOWELS OR NAPPIES IN THE TOILET—THANKYOU

Please put mobile phones on silent when at Mass, thankyou



ENROLLING NOW
IRISH DANCE LESSONS FOR
BOYS AND GIRLS AGE 3 +


TUESDAYS 4-5 PM

LOCATION

Mount Carmel Parish Hall
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Redditch
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Classes beginning

Tuesday 16th January 2024

CAN YOU HELP?

You may recall that the Parish SVP have been supporting a young mother with 3 children for the last 12 months. More visits are desperately needed to help this young family. Are you able to offer as little as one hour weekly or monthly? Also, we have been asked to visit a 97 year old gentleman at his home in Redditch—are you able to help? Contact Steve Martin on 07956 474302