



# OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL, REDDITCH

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NEWSLETTER 2106 **SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST** 28TH MAY 2023

OLMC

Readings : Acts 2:1-11 Psalm 103 1 Corinthians 12 :3-7,12-13 Gospel John 20:19-23

## Reflection for the Solemnity of Pentecost

The Holy Spirit is first and foremost a Creator Spirit, hence Pentecost is also a feast of creation. For us Christians, the world is the fruit of an act of love by God who has made all things and in which he rejoices because it is 'good', it is 'very good', as the creation narrative tells us (Gn 1:1-31). Consequently God is not totally Other, unnameable and obscure. God reveals himself, he has a face. God is reason, God is will, God is love, God is beauty. Faith in the Creator spirit and faith in the Spirit whom the Risen Christ gave to the Apostles and gives to each one of us are therefore inseparably united. The Gospel passage offers us a marvellous image to clarify the connection between Jesus, the Holy spirit and the Father: the Holy Spirit is portrayed as the breath of the Risen Jesus Christ. Here the Evangelist John takes up an image of the creation narrative, where it says that God breathed into the nostrils of man the breath of life (Gen 2:7). The breath of God is life. Now, the Lord breathes into our soul the new breath of life, the Holy Spirit, his most intimate essence, and in this way welcomes us into God's family. With Baptism and Confirmation this gift was given to us specifically, and with the sacraments of the Eucharist and Penance it is continuously repeated: the Lord breathes a breath of his life into our soul. *Pope Benedict XVI*



**All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit!**

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 28TH MAY 2023

<b>Saturday</b>	5pm	Paddy Conlon & Josie Mander
<b>Sunday</b>	8.15am	People of the Parish & Frances Quigley 9.45am (Polish)
	11.15am	Christine Duffy & Ints of Magdalena Litherland & Family
	6pm	Liam Pogue & Alfonso Garofano (b'day a) (live-streamed)
<b>Monday</b>	6pm	Christopher Reynolds
<b>Tuesday</b>	9.30am	Mary McGorman
<b>Wednesday</b>	9.30am	Anthony Juwah (10th A) & Ints of Peter
<b>Thursday</b>	7pm	Ints of Bridie & Peter Streeter (Wedd A)
<b>Friday</b>	9.30am	Tony Gregory
	6pm	Latin Mass Sean Lanigan
<b>Saturday</b>	9.30am	Caroline Jones
	5pm	Bridie Meagher (b'day a) & Mick & Sarah Durkan

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

**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT & CONFESSION**  
Saturdays 10am—11am  
or by appointment

## SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY 4TH JUNE 2023

<b>Sunday</b>	8.15am	Martin Duffy 9.45am (Polish) 11.15am Christopher Avern (a) & People of the Parish
	6pm	Barbara Bright (b'day a) (live-streamed)

### PLEASE NOTE : Mount Carmel 6pm Sunday Mass is now the Live Streamed Mass

Link : [www.eventcast.uk/live](http://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 **MICHAEL MUNDY** Funeral Mass Thursday 1st June at 10.30am, **MARGARET GERAGHTY** Funeral Mass 12.30pm Wednesday 7th June, **ANNA ROSE MCGOLDRICK** Funeral Mass 11am Tuesday 13 June at St Mary's, Studley, **MARY AGNES HICKEY** in Co Galway. Mother of Carmel Hickey. 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, ALICE CAIRNS, CARINA CHALK, ANNIE COX, JOHN HEATLEY, BRIDIE MCCONNELL, TRACEY HAWTHORN, DEACON DES CHILTON, DELIA BREE, JULIAN McRANDAL, MARY MCGORMAN, JACKIE POOLY, ELIZABETH PEART, MICK O'CONNOR & MAYA MASON, FIONA EVANS, LEONARD ROSE, ANNIE CLEARY, JOHN J BURAK, SEAN LANIGAN**

## Lamp at the Shrine of Our Lady

This week for the intentions of **MICHAEL & MARIA YATES**  
Next week in loving memory of **ELIZABETH LOBODA**

## Lamp at the Shrine of the Sacred Heart

This week for the intentions of **MICHAEL & MARIA YATES**  
Next week for the intentions of **NITIN REJI (B'DAY)**



**LAMPS AT THE SHRINE OF OUR LADY & THE SACRED HEART**  
To have the lamp burn for your intentions or loved ones, please contact the parish office, suggested donation £5

## 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*

**OLMC Cafod/Laudato Si Group** are hosting this event and you are invited - to come to a screening of *'The Letter': Pope Francis' message for our Earth*. This is a thought-provoking documentary exploring the impact of climate change on the world. The film follows the stories of a number of inspiring individuals from around the world and how they are invited to The Vatican for an eye opening discussion about destructive impact of climate change and the universal call for action

**Thursday 8 June at St Augustine's High School, Stonepits Lane, B97 5LX : arrival 6pm for 6.15pm** in order to help with tea/coffee it would be useful (but not essential) if you could let the office at OLMC know you are attending or email Charlotte Martin at St Augustine's [cmartin@sta-magnificat.org.uk](mailto:cmartin@sta-magnificat.org.uk)



### Saints for the week ...

**Monday** *In Consecrated Churches Solemnity of Dedication*  
*In non-consecrated Churches Mary, Mother of the Church*

**Wednesday** **Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

**Thursday** **Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest**

**Friday** **Saints Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs**

(+304) *Saints Marcellinus and Peter were martyred under Diocletian. Their names are included in the Roman Canon.*

**Saturday** **Saints Charles Lwanga and Companions, Martyrs**

(+1885-1887) *There was a persecution of Christians out of hatred for religion in Uganda under King Mwanga. St Charles was martyred with twelve companions on 3 June 1886; others were killed later. Some of the victims, almost a hundred in all, were very young or newly baptised.*

### Pope's Prayer Intention for June

For the abolition of torture—We pray that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families.

### GRAND RAFFLE WINNERS UNCLAIMED PRIZES

2nd Prize £50	Ticket 00212	Tony (01527 65142)
4th Prize Harvey's Sherry	Ticket 00893	Mary Seaman
5th Prize Gin	Ticket 00742	Tom Walsh
9th Prize Spiced Gin	Ticket 00436	Lin? (01527 65142)

### Bible Reflections for Synodality and Journeying Together

**Sunday 18 June, 2pm—4pm at St Paul's Convent, 94 Selly Park Road, Birmingham B29 7LL** David McLoughlin (Theologian & formerly Newman University) and Fleur Dorrell (Bible Society and Bishops Conference of England & Wales) will be leading an afternoon reflection time using the scriptures to reflect on our journeying together in a synodal Church. Refreshments will be provided. **To register please email : [actabhm@gmail.com](mailto:actabhm@gmail.com)**

### The Universe Catholic Weekly Newspaper

The Universe Catholic Weekly newspaper has been relaunched as a hard copy once again. In church there is a copy of last week's and this week's edition for parishioners to look at to see if it is a paper you would like to receive (**please do not take away**). Initially we will order the minimum number required (5 copies per week). If you would like a copy of the Universe each week, cost £3.50, please let the parish office know.

### CAFOD/Laudato Si Group

One of the items the group are discussing is about the latest phase of CAFOD's Fix the Food System Campaign which focuses on small-scale farmers in developing countries who are increasingly experiencing difficulties in respect of their use of traditional seeds. For generations, these farmers have freely swapped and shared a wide variety of seeds to produce food and maintain biodiversity. However, their right to choose what seeds they use is increasingly under threat as new laws, supported by the World Bank and IMF, are introduced across the world that limit what they can do with their seeds. This increases their costs as they often have to buy commercially produced seeds with their attendant problems making life even more difficult for the. CAFOD's food campaign is urging the UK government to protect the right of farmers around the world to be able to use their own seeds.

Salina, one such small-scale farmer from Bangladesh, has written a letter to the World Bank and with CAFOD's help is asking Catholics here to support her by adding their signature. The group are hoping to hold a letter signing in the parish on the weekend of 15/16 July after Masses.

### Readers for Sunday 6pm Mass needed

We are desperately short of readers for the Sunday evening Mass at 6pm. At the moment we only have three. If you think this is something you would like to do, please get in touch with the parish office 01527 63096 or speak with either Fr Tony or Fr Jason after Mass.

### Would you like to receive your Newsletter via email?

If so, please contact the parish office either by phone 01527 63096 or by email: [office@mtcarmel.co.uk](mailto:office@mtcarmel.co.uk)



### Coronation Celebration

**Total Income**

**£1,964**

**Less expenses**

**£319.80**

**FINAL**

**FIGURE**

**£1644.00**

*Well done to everyone*

### PARISH SENIORS' GROUP IN THE PARISH HALL

**THURSDAY JUNE 1ST**

2.30PM TALK ON REDDITCH

**FRIDAY JUNE 16TH**

TRIP THREE COUNTIES SHOW

£36 PER PERSON

**THURSDAY JUNE 29TH**

2.30PM AFTERNOON TEA

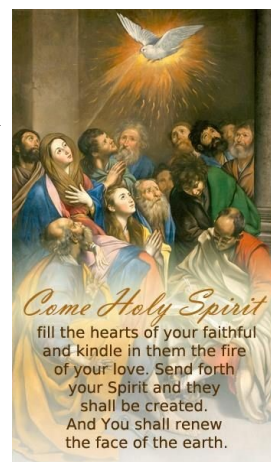
**THURSDAY JULY 13TH**

2.30PM SEATED EXERCISE

### COUNTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Team 2 J McHugh C Morgan A Chatterley

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**Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Mrs Jane Craig & Mrs Linda Gordon Email:safeguardingOLMC@gmail.com**

