



OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL, REDDITCH

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NEWSLETTER 2076 THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY OF THE YEAR C 30TH OCTOBER 2022

Readings Wisdom 11:22-12:2 Psalm 144 2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2 Gospel Luke 19:1-10

REFLECTION FOR TODAY ...

All things belong to God, but the world and everything in it can be ruined by man's greed. Men leave pollution and desolation behind them in their search for money; they leave misery and hurt in their search for power. Zaccheus had made himself hated by his self-interest while becoming a wealthy man. Yet 'God is merciful', says the first reading, and so Jesus seeks out Zaccheus and gives him the chance to repent. Jesus seeks us out today in this Eucharist, so that we too may come to our senses and see that the material world he has given us is for all men and not only for our time. This gives us a duty as Christians to conserve, to develop, and to build for the welfare of all nations, remembering that we are merely stewards. All things will be built up in Christ, but we do not know the hour of his coming. So we get on with the job of making the world a fit place in which the people Christ can live.



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING 30TH OCTOBER

Saturday	5pm	Joseph Paul (2nd A)
Sunday	8.15am	Patsy Korzeniowska
	9.45am	(Polish)
	11.15am	People of the Parish
	6pm	Ints of Kevin O'Connor (live-streamed)
Monday	6pm	Desmond Ward
MC School	9am	Gerry Purcell
Tuesday	Solemnity of All Saints Holyday of Obligation	
	9.30am	Anthony Juwah & Festus Ozien
	7pm	Elizabeth Devenney
Wednesday	Commemoration of All Souls	
	9.30am	Alan Coombes
Thursday	7pm	Ints of Benedict Sampays & Hubert McCavitt
STA School	10am	Ints of Paddy McConvey
Friday	9.30am	Elizabeth Loboda
	6pm	Latin Mass Joe Morrison
STB School	2.30pm	Holy Souls
Saturday	9.30am	Yvette Skinner & Klaus Gruschwitz
	2.30pm	Keralan Mass
	5pm	Michael & Sarah Durkan

Flame of Love of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Prayer Meeting after Mass on Tuesdays 10-11am

Second Collections Johnson Fund 5/6 November

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

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY (YEAR C) 6TH NOVEMBER

Sunday	8.15am	James & Eileen Herlihy
	9.45am	(Polish)
	11.15am	Bill & Myrtle Wilson (Wedd A)
	6pm	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 ...

Your prayers are asked for **MONICA COOK** Funeral Service 1.15pm Wednesday 2nd November in the Abbey Chapel, **HINDA & STANLEY McLARNEY** Funeral Mass 11am Friday 18th November. 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)**

Lamp at the Shrine of Our Lady

This week in loving memory of **STANLEY CATER ...**
Next week **FREE AT THE MOMENT**

Lamp at the Shrine of the Sacred Heart

This week for the intentions of **ZUZANNA'S INTENTIONS**
Next week **FREE AT THE MOMENT**



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*

Keep the date...
CHRISTMAS AFTERNOON TEA
Saturday 3rd December
Mount Carmel Parish Hall
Grand Raffle

PARISH DIARY
Monday 7pm Choir Practice
Thursday Journey in Faith 7.30pm

SENIORS GROUP NEXT MEETING—
2.30PM THURSDAY 3rd NOVEMBER
AGE UK Talk
17TH NOVEMBER CHRISTMAS BINGO
1ST DECEMBER CHRISTMAS TRIP TO
WEBBS & WORCESTER VICTORIAN
MARKETS £10
PARISH HALL (NURSERY BUILDING)
AT BACK OF CHURCH

OPEN MEETING
7pm Tuesday 15 November 2022
in the Parish Hall
This meeting is open to everyone to discuss the Christmas Fund Raising Afternoon on 3rd December and Carol Service (date yet to be decided)

COUNTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND
Team 2 J McHugh C Morgan A Chatterley

Laudato Si Group

Coffee/Tea and refreshments **after the 11.15am Mass on Sunday 13 November** in the Parish Hall plus a Fairtrade stall where a variety of products will be for sale including Christmas Cards.

Saints for the week ...

Tuesday Solemnity of All Saints Holyday of Obligation

The Church, after rejoicing yesterday with those who are in heaven, today prays for all who in the purification of purgatory await the day when they will join the company of the Saints. We can help the faithful departed through offering the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass for them and prayers and suffrages.

Wednesday Commemoration of All Souls

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

Thursday Saint Martin de Porres, Religious or of Saint Winifride, Virgin

(1579-1639) St Martin de Porres was born in Lima, Peru, the illegitimate son of a Spanish nobleman and a former slave. He became a Dominican lay brother and was exemplary in his care for the sick, his love for the poor and his devotion to the Blessed Sacrament.

(c.650) St Winifride was a native of Wales, she is said to have been the niece of St Beuno and to have been murdered by Caradog of Hawarden for refusing his amorous advances, a spring of water gushing forth on the spot where her head fell. This was the origin of Holywell, which has been a centre of pilgrimage for over a thousand years.

Friday Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop

Anniversary of Archbishop Maurice Couve de Murville, 7th Archbishop of Birmingham (2007)

(1538-1584) St Charles Borromeo was born into a noble family at Arona, Italy. His uncle was Pope Pius IV and this ensured his quick promotion within the Church; aged only 21 he was created Cardinal Priest of Santa Prassede, although he was only ordained when in 1564 he became Archbishop of Milan. He zealously applied the teachings of the Council of Trent to his diocese, establishing seminaries and schools and renewing the life of the clergy. During the plague of 1567 he was active in the care of the sick.

Saturday Our Lady on Saturday

Right to Life Prayer for the week

As we celebrate All Saints, and their lived examples of loving and supporting the most vulnerable in society, we pray for the courage to follow in their footsteps, by supporting the poor, the helpless and the unborn. Lord hear us

PLEASE NOTE - PERUVIAN CRAFTS SALE

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the 'Aid for Chad & Peru' Charity sale to be held at Ann Smith's house on 5th November has been cancelled.

Aid to the Church in Need 'Where are you Christians?'

Saturday November 19th, Harvington Hall 10am-5.30pm

A day of talks and activities on the theme of both recusant history and the ongoing persecution of Christians worldwide. Guest Speakers Jan Graffius, Curator of the Historic Collection, Archives and Museum of Stonyhurst College and Dr Caroline Hull, National Director of Aid to the Church in Need. Holy Mass will be celebrated by Bishop David Evans. Cost of the day is £15 per person (*please bring your own lunch*)
For tickets please contact Teresa Kehoe—teresa.kehoe@acnuk.org

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

Mount Carmel 500 Club Winners

September	1st Prize	£120	No 48	Maureen Stubbings
	2nd Prize	£50	No 334	Eileen Gibbon
October	1st Prize	£120	No 94	Trevor Browning
	2nd Prize	£50	No 33	Jo Rignall

Vacancies

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.

Birmingham Diocese are looking to recruit a **Secretary/PA to the Vicar General**. Excellent communications skills required, be proficient in Microsoft Office and ability to work on own initiatives. For an informal discussion and further information, please call the Human Resources Officer on 0121 230 6224. Further information on the diocesan website.

Maryvale Institute require a **Registry Assistant**. Further information can be found on the website or for an informal discussion email interimregistrar@maryvale.ac.uk or telephone 07979 608496.

Please silence mobile phones on entering the Church, thankyou

St Vincent de Paul Society (SVP)
seek donations to help the homeless community in OUR county. Good quality rucksacks, Men's jeans 28"-32" waist & joggers/tracksuit bottoms for men ONLY, size M or L. Please note only these specific items required at present. Thank you. Can be brought to the Parish Office.
If you wish to contact the SVP, please phone 07531 818731 (SVP Phone—Tesco)



*Holy Mary
Mother of
God
Pray for us*

The code for the Outside Toilet is C1458

MOUNT CARMEL PARISH COUNCIL & FINANCE COMMITTEE

NOTES FROM THE MEETING HELD ON SATURDAY 8TH OCTOBER 2022

The meeting was opened by Fr Jason and approximately 42 parishioners attended.

Lizomon Mapranath (member of the finance committee) read out a prepared statement regarding finance and attendance at Mass in the parish. Currently we are spending more than we are receiving in income and we need to find ways of correcting this.

Andrew Farrell (Chair of the Finance Committee) continued explaining that mass attendance has dropped from approximately 700 per week in 2019 (pre Covid) to 340 per in 2022. Consequently, weekly offerings have also decreased. Mass centres have only re-opened for a short period following Covid and are still closed at present due to Fr Tony's illness.

Andrew Farrell pointed out that copies of income and expenses accounts pre Covid and covering the last eight months were available for parishioners to see. These accounts illustrate that currently we are spending a £1000 per week more than we receive.

He continued with an appeal for more parishioners who pay tax to sign up for Gift Aid as this would increase everyone's offering by 25% at no extra cost.

Liz Hanley (Finance Committee and Chair of the Parish Council) continued that there are three ways to reduce the deficit :

- 1 Increase offerings and donations
- 2 Reduce expenditure
- 3 Fundraising

Fundraising would play an important role in building the community spirit in the church. Since the church re-opened following Covid there has not been any structure put in place for a fundraising group. The Seniors' Group have been volunteering and organising fundraising events but this can't continue, we need help and a structure for a fundraising group. We are asking people who are willing to help to give their names and phone numbers and we will be in contact with them.