



OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL, REDDITCH

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NEWSLETTER 2242 **FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR A** 1ST FEBRUARY 2026

Readings: Zephaniah 2:3,3:12-13 Psalm 145 1 Corinthians 1:26-31 Gospel Matthew 45:1-12 Psalter Wk 4

WORLD DAY MASS FOR THE SICK

on Saturday, 14th February 11.00am

I would like to invite you, together with a friend or relative, to our special World Day Mass for the Sick. This Mass, which will include anointing of the sick, is a wonderful occasion for us to come together in communion with Christ on the glorious Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes. Refreshments will follow this Mass, too. Would you please let us know if you are able to attend the Mass and lunch, whether you will be accompanied by anyone and if you require transport.

Please sign the list in the porch or contact parish office by Thursday 12th February 2026.

MASS INTENTIONS for the week beginning 1st February 2026

Saturday	5pm	John Doran & Harry Marks (b'day a)
Sunday	8.15am	Frank Smith 9.45am (Polish)
	11.15am	Louise Sheridan & People of the Parish
	6pm	Jenny McNamee (a) (live-streamed)
Monday	6pm	Beatification of Elizabeth Kindelmann
STM School	9am	Holy Souls
Tuesday	9.30am	Suni Abraham & Maureen Flatley
Wednesday	9.30am	NO MASS
Thursday	7pm	Elizabeth & Peter McManus
Friday	9.30am	Peter McGoldrick (a)
	7pm	Latin Mass
STB School	2pm	Class Mass 6TCD
Saturday	9.30am	M & L Conboy
	5pm	Lilly Paul (a)

Mayor's Civic Service 3.30pm this Sunday

The service will be led by the Mayor's chaplain, Canon Brian McGinley. This is a community event for the people of Redditch, and everyone is welcome. There will be light refreshments afterwards in the Parish Hall

After Mass on Tuesdays Flame of Love of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Prayer Meeting



CONFESSION, ADORATION & BENEDICTION

Saturdays 10am-11am or by appointment

MASS INTENTIONS for the Fifth Sunday of the Year A 8th February 2026

Sunday	8.15am	Maura Lawrence (a) 9.45am (Polish)
	11.15am	Thomas Meagher (b'day a) & People of the Parish
	6pm	Charles Gallagher (a) (live-streamed)

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

For the Sick ...

Please pray for **BRIAN DIXON, CAROLINE & BOB HOLLAND, EDDIE & GERALDINE MCGROARTY, DELIA BREE, PAUL MCCONNELL, JULIAN MCRANDAL, MICHAEL & MARIA YATES, PIUS McDERMOTT, JANE-CHRISTINA THOMSON, HELEN HORVATH, JEAN MAITLAND, MARY FALLON, MARGARET WILLIAMS, LEXI BRADBURY, FR MICHAEL WHITE, ALISTAIR CROWLE, ANNIE CLEARY, VILMA WILLIS, TRACEY HAWTHORNE, JANE ELLIOTT, MARGARET ANNE SEAMAN, JOHN BROWN, LORNA PARSONAGE, GARY DALLOW, PASCALE BREYNE, SHEILA TWIST, ELLIS MITCHELL, DORIS FLYNN & FAMILY**

For the Dead ...

Please pray for **HELEN BOYD** Reception of Body 5pm Sunday 1st February, Funeral Mass 12 noon Monday 2nd February, **MARY WEBB** Reception of Body 5pm Thursday 26th February, Funeral Mass 2pm Friday 27th February



Lamp at the Shrine of Our Lady

This week for the intentions of the **DOHERTY FAMILY**

Next week for the intentions of the **CHRISTINE MORRISSEY**



Lamp at the Shrine of the Sacred Heart

This week in loving memory of **STANLEY CATER**

Next week in loving memory of **CHRISTOPHER & JOAN AVERN (B'DAY A)**



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. Contact sg.olmc.redditch@rcaob.org.uk

PRAYER FOR PEACE IN THE UKRAINE, MIDDLE EAST AND THE WORLD

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 the Week

Monday Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

World Day of Prayer for the Consecrated Life

Tuesday Saint Blaise, Bishop, Martyr or of Saint Ansgar, Bishop

Fourth century)) St Blaise enjoyed widespread veneration in the Eastern and Western Churches due to many cures attributed to him. According to tradition, he was Bishop of Sebaste in Armenia and was martyred under Licinius (320-324) (801-865) St Ansgar was born in Bremen, Germany. He became known as the 'Apostle of the North' for his great evangelical work in Denmark and Sweden. He was bishop of Hamburg and then of Bremen. Pope Gregory IV appointed him as his delegate to Denmark and Sweden.

Thursday Saint Agatha, Virgin, Martyr

(+251) St Agatha was martyred in Catania, Sicily, during the time of Decius. She dedicated herself to Our Lord, and at the age of 15 she rejected the amorous advances of a Roman name Quinitanus, who then decided to persecute her for her Christian faith. Quinitanus condemned her to torture and imprisonment, from which she died. Her name appears in the Roman Canon.

Friday Saint Paul Miki, and companions, Martyrs

(+1597) St Paul Miki, a Japanese Jesuit, and his 25 companions were martyred in Nagasaki, Japan. They were the first martyrs of East Asia to be canonised. They were killed simultaneously by being raised on crosses and then stabbed with spears. Their executioners were astounded upon seeing their joy at being associated to the Passion of Christ.

Saturday Our Lady on Saturday

Weekend 7th/8th February 2026

After the 5 o'clock on Saturday and the 11.15am on Sunday morning, there will be refreshments in the parish hall and the opportunity to say hello to Fr Long

COUNTERS FOR THIS WEEKEND

Team 9 J Joseph L Mapranath M Vincent S Thomas

COUNTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Team 10 B Gleetar G Stanly A Biju S Sebastian

Weekly Statistics :

Weekend 24/25 January 2026

1st Collection £505.29

2nd Collection £260.28 (Parish Hall)

Attendance 422

These figures do not include Standing Orders or Dona payments

2026 Diaries (with Mass)

We have several Catholic Diaries which include the Mass at £3.50 each available from the parish office.

Redditch Choral Society

Redditch Choral Society would love to welcome new singers to their friendly, inclusive choir. They are unique in Redditch, putting on choral works with professional soloists and musicians, giving the choir the chance to sing with top notch performers. They are currently rehearsing Rossini's Petite Messe Solennelle, and meet on Wednesdays 7.30-9.15pm at Crabbs Cross Methodist Church. There is no need to audition, no previous experience needed and all ages and voices are welcome. If you would like more details, please email redditchchoralsociety@gmail.com or message us on Facebook.

Would you like to receive your Newsletter via email? If so, please contact the parish office either by phone 01527 63096 or email office@mtcarmel.co.uk

Lift to Church

A parishioner who has difficulty getting to Mass and who lives in the Webheath area, has asked if there is anyone in her area who would be willing to give her a lift or share a taxi. If you can help, please contact the parish office.

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

Seniors Next Meeting

Thursday 5th February 2026

2pm Parish Hall

Prayer & Coffee Morning

Ss John Fisher & Thomas More Church, Feckenham
10am Wednesday 21st January, 4th & 18th February 2026
Everyone welcome

**Our Lady of Mount Carmel,
pray for us**



