



# OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL, REDDITCH

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NEWSLETTER 2152 **SIXTH SUNDAY IN EASTER 5TH MAY 2024**

Readings: Acts 10:25-26,34-35,44-48 Psalm 97 1 John 4:7-10 Gospel John 15:9-17

## Reflection for this Sunday ...

Love bestows many benefits on the one who loves. One of the greatest of these is the gift of joy. Jesus said to his apostles, 'If you keep my commandments you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my own joy may be in you and your joy be complete.' Jesus talks about love and joy in the same breath. This is because they are intimately connected. Joy is the fruit of love. Joy is an over-flowing heart. The amount of joy we have is in proportion to the amount of love we share with others. If then we are not as joyful as we might be, perhaps it is telling us something.



## MASS INTENTIONS for the week beginning Sunday 5th May 2024

<b>Saturday</b>	5pm	Lady Jeanne Hunt
<b>Sunday</b>	8.15am	Daphne Frith & People of the Parish 9.45am (Polish) 11.15am Holy Souls
	6pm	Eric Asbury-Jackson ( <b>live-streamed</b> )
<b>Monday</b>	6pm	Intentions of Helen Horvath
<b>Tuesday</b>	9.30am	Danny O'Brien & Paddy Gill
	1.15pm	Funeral Mass Brigid Burke
<b>Wednesday</b>	9.30am	Jarlath Ruane & Intentions of Carmel Wright
<b>Thursday—Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord</b>		<b>Holiday of Obligation</b>
	9.30am	Thanksgiving to St Antony
	1pm	Funeral Mass John Campbell
	7pm	Family & World Peace
<b>STA School</b>	9.40am	Holy Souls
<b>Friday</b>	9.30am	Daniel Osborne
<b>Saturday</b>	9.30am	<b>NB NO MASS POLISH FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS</b>
	5pm	John Morrissey (a)

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  
**NB NO CONFESSIONS ON SAT 11th MAY**

## SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 12th May 2024

**Sunday** 8.15am Norah & Eddie O'Hara 9.45am (Polish) 11.15am Daniel Osborne 6pm David Jones (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, **JANE ELIZABETH HARES** Funeral Mass 11am Monday 20th 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 McRANDAL, 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 for the intentions of **PAUL MCCONNELL**  
Next week for the intentions of **NIMISHA**

## Lamp at the Shrine of the Sacred Heart

This week for the intentions of **HELEN HORVATH**  
Next week for the intentions of **NITIN**



## 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](http://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.

## Thank you

Bill Reardon and family wish to thank everyone who attended their mom, Pat's funeral, sent Mass & Sympathy Cards and messages of support. A mass will be offered for your intentions.

## 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 ....

**Thursday** Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord *Holyday of Obligation*

**Friday** Saint John of Avila, Priest, Doctor of the Church

*John was born in Almodóvar del Campo, in Spain, around 1500. As a priest he travelled throughout Andalusia, drawing crowds by his preaching. His enemies, disturbed by his success and challenged by his teaching, denounced him for heresy, and he made no attempt to avoid imprisonment or trial, but preached the Catholic faith even more fervently. He played an important part in the setting up of the Council of Trent, where his voice was heard through the treatises he wrote for its guidance, even though he was not well enough to attend. He spent his last years in Montilla, and there he fell asleep in the Lord on 10 May 1569.*

## 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 Extinguisher Training

There will be fire extinguisher training in the car park after the 8.15am Mass and the 11.15am Mass on Sunday, May 12th. This is primarily for Fire Wardens who have not previously had live fire extinguisher training; however, other parishioners are welcome to join in. Any questions or further information contact Trevor at [trevor@trevorhughes.co.uk](mailto:trevor@trevorhughes.co.uk) or 07479 013 894

## Mount Carmel 500 Club Winners

<b>March</b>	1st Prize £120	No 82	Sophie Duraj	2nd Prize £50	No 162	Paul Skinner
<b>April</b>	1st Prize £120	No 50	Fr Craig Davies	2nd Prize £50	No 101	Trevor Browning

## Weekly Statistics

Weekend 27/28 April 2024

1st Collection £598.40

2nd Collection £216.34 (Parish Hall)

Attendance 536

*These figures do not include Standing Orders*

### COUNTERS FOR THIS WEEKEND

Team 4 J Hardcastle T & B Hughes

### COUNTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Team 1 T Craig G Blundell L Kings

### PARISH SENIORS' GROUP 2pm in the Parish Hall

Next Meeting  
Thursday 16th May

## 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](http://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'.

## Redditch Foodbank Donations

Last week the Foodbank helped 40 local families with their meals. We donated 13.2kg this week to help with this week's enquiries and requests for help. The volunteers who work at the Foodbank are always extremely appreciative of what we donate.

## 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>

## Men's Rosary in Birmingham City Centre –Saturday 25 May

Victoria Square, Birmingham. Join Archbishop Bernard Longley this May to publicly witness to our faith, pray for our nation and to inspire men to live out their vocation as defenders of the faith and protectors of women and children. For more info contact Ben on 07885 505116

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



### 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

### Raffle Prizes

Donations towards the Raffle to be held at the Summer Fayre on Sunday 9th June would be gratefully received.

1st & 2nd Prize, £100 & £50, Spirits & Wine, unwanted gifts—Raffle tickets available shortly

### 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

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### 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**  
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Redditch  
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Classes beginning  
Tuesday 16th January 2024