



# OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL, REDDITCH

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NEWSLETTER 2179 **THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR B 10TH NOVEMBER 2024**

Readings : 1 Kings 17:10-16 Psalm 145 Hebrews 9:24-28 Gospel Mark 12:38-44 Psalter Week 4

## Reflection for this Sunday

You might think he was attacking the Temple: religion always asking for money, and so on. But this not his point. Our Lord **loved** the Temple ('my Father's house') both as a boy and as a man. Our Lord's point was when you are giving to God, it is not the size of the gift that matters, but your disposition of heart. **God** wants us to give ourselves, all we have. It reminds us of a saying of Christ, not in any gospel, but St Paul heard it from somebody and hands it on to us: 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.' that is, it is better to **be** like that. We need that reminder in these days of the 'consumer society' and 'social media'. The Church at least should be like Our Lord (and Our Lady), content with necessities and ready to put 'the poor' first



## MASS INTENTIONS for the week beginning 10th November 2024 Remembrance Sunday

<b>Saturday</b>	5pm	Mick & Sarah Durkan
<b>Sunday</b>	8.15am	Eddie & Norah O'Hara
	9.45am	(Polish) 11.15am Derek Barratt (b'day a) & People of the Parish
	6pm	Molly Toolin & Martin Fawlk (a) <b>(live-streamed)</b>
<b>Monday</b>	11am	Funeral Mass Lisa Bridget McLoughlin
	6pm	Special Intention (AD)
<b>STM School</b>	9am	Holy Souls
<b>Tuesday</b>	9.30am	John Burak (a) & Anna Mandryk
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>7pm</b>	Dec'd family & friends of Gleetar & Baby
<b>Thursday</b>	7pm	Eileen Maher & Bridie O'Shea
<b>STA School</b>	9.40am	Holy Souls
<b>Friday</b>	9.30am	Verity Ann McDonagh
<b>STB School</b>	2pm	Adoration
<b>Saturday</b>	9.30am	Cormac Kenny
	5pm	Dec'd Brothers & Wives Redditch Catenian Circle

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

Please note : Mass on Wednesday is at 7pm  
NO 9.30AM MASS

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

## MASS INTENTIONS for the Thirty-third Sunday (B) 17th November 2024

<b>Sunday</b>	8.15am	James & Eileen Herlihy
	9.45am	(Polish) 11.15am Michael O'Connor & People of the Parish
	6pm	Margaret Geraghty (b'day a) <b>(live-streamed)</b>

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

## For the Sick ...

Please pray for **FR TONY, BRIAN DIXON, CAROLINE & BOB HOLLAND, EDDIE & GERALDINE MCGROARTY, JOHN HEATLEY, PAUL MCCONNELL, DELIA BREE, JULIAN MCRANDAL, JACKIE POOLY, LEONARD ROSE, ANNIE CLEARY, TOMMY CAFFNEY, HALLIE ROSE, BILL BARBER, JANE ELLIOTT, DAVID CRUISE, MICHAEL & MARIA YATES, TRACY HAWTHORN, PIUS MCDERMOTT, JANE-CHRISTINA THOMSON, HELEN HORVATH, JEAN MAITLAND, EILEEN GIBBON, HEATHER SMITH, FRANCES EDMONDS, MARTIN THOMPSON, FRANK & MARY FALLON, GETHAN FARNES, MARGARET WILLIAMS, LEXI BRADBURY, FR MICHAEL WHITE, LORNA PARSONAGE**

## For the Dead ...

Please pray for **LISA MCGLOUGHLIN** Funeral Mass 11am Monday 11th November, **BRENDA FLEMMING** Reception into church 5pm Sunday 17th November, Funeral Mass 10.30am Monday 18th November, **GRAZYNA JUSZKIEWICZ** Reception of Body 5pm Thursday 5th December, Funeral Mass 11am Friday 6th December, **BRIDIE MCCONNELL** Funeral details not yet known, **FR GRAHAM WILKINSON** former Parish Priest of Bromsgrove, Funeral details not yet known



### Lamp at the Shrine of Our Lady

This week for the intentions of **MANJU**

Next week in loving memory of **STANLEY CATER (A)**



### Lamp at the Shrine of the Sacred Heart

This week in loving memory of **JAMES GUILFOYLE (B'DAY A)**

Next week for the deceased of **REARDON & DURR FAMILIES**

## NOVEMBER—Month of the Holy Souls

Envelopes for your November Dead List are available in church—please place the names of the faithful departed in one and hand into the parish office or put through the letter box together with a donation if you wish to do so. Their names will be entered into the Book of Remembrance which will be present on the Sanctuary throughout the month of November.



## Parish Christmas Lunch & Raffle

12 noon Saturday 30 November in Parish Hall  
Soup, Pork Rolls & Gateaux, Refreshments

Raffle, Tombola, Unwanted Gifts

Donations towards the Raffle would be greatly appreciated  
1st Prize £100, 2nd Prize £50 plus bottles & gifts for the above stalls



Raffle Tickets £2.50 a book  
please take some home with you after Mass



**VOLUNTEERS WANTED TO SELL RAFFLE TICKETS  
AFTER THE 8.15AM AND 6PM SUNDAY MASSES**

All proceeds to Parish Hall Fund

## 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 our 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 **Saint Thomas of Tours, Bishop**

*St Martin was born in present day Hungary about 316. He gave up his military career, was baptised and became a disciple of St Hilary of Poitiers. He became the bishop of Tours, France. He died in 397. He was the first non-martyr with an annual feast day in the Church's calendar. He is patron saint of priests.*

### Tuesday **Saint Josaphat, bishop, Martyr**

*St Josaphat was born in the Ukraine, of an Orthodox family about 1580. He became a Catholic though continued to celebrate the Liturgy in the Byzantine rite. As Archbishop of Polock he worked to unite the Church. He was martyred in 1623.*

### Friday **Saint Albert the Great, Bishop, Doctor of the Church**

*St Albert was born in Lauingen, Germany, about in 1206. Following studies at Padua and Paris he entered the Dominican Order. He was an outstanding natural scientist and taught St Thomas Aquinas. He was the bishop of Regensburg. He died at Cologne in 1280.*

### Saturday **Saint Margaret of Scotland or of Saint Gertrude or of Saint Edmund of Abingdon or of**

#### **Our Lady on Saturday**

*(1046-1093) St Margaret was the granddaughter of King Edmund Ironside of England but was born while in exile in Hungary. In 1070 she married King Malcolm III of Scotland and had 8 children, 3 of whom reigned as Kings of Scotland including King David I. Remarkable for her piety and works of charity, St Margaret co-founded Dunfermline Abbey. She is secondary patron of Scotland.*

*(1256-1302) St Gertrude was born in Eisleben, Germany and joined the Benedictine convent at Helfta. She showed great talent in her philosophical and literary studies but is best known for her mystical writings. She had a marked devotion to the Holy souls of Purgatory and to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, which later developed into its modern form with the visions of St Margaret Mary.*

*(1175-1240) St Edmund was born in Abingdon, England and studied at Oxford and Paris. He lectured for a time at Oxford before becoming treasurer at Salisbury and then, in 1223, Archbishop of Canterbury. With the help of a strong team, which included St Richard of Chichester, he did much to reform ecclesiastical discipline and defend the rights of the Church. He died in 1240 at Soisy, France, while on his way to Rome, and was buried at nearby Pontigny. He gave his name to the Order of St Edmund, founded in Pontigny in 1843, and colleges at Oxford, Cambridge and Old Hall Green.*

### Weekly Statistics : Weekend 2/3 November 2024

1st Collection £514.13 : 2nd Collection £267.78 (Johnson Fund) Attendance 407

These figures do not include Standing Orders or Dona payments

### Mount Carmel 500 Club September Winners

First Prize £120 No 145 Andrew Baker

Second Prize £50 No 208 Ann Colley

### Urgent—Assisted Suicide Bill

A new bill on assisted suicide has been tabled by Labour MP Kim Leadbeater and will be debated in the House of commons on **Friday 29 November**.

### Bishops' Holy Hour 5.30pm Wednesday 13 November

Cardinal Vincent Nichols has called for Catholics in England and Wales to join him, and the Bishops of our countries to pause for an hour at 5.30pm on Wednesday 13 November to pray for the dignity of human life. We pray passionately that we will not take a step in legislation that promotes a so-called 'right to die', that will quite likely become a duty to die and place pressure on doctors and medical staff to help take life rather than to care, protect and heal. It is an important moment in our history. Please write to your MP and express your view to that member of Parliament. Many have not yet made up their mind how to vote.

### Redditch Foodbank

Thank you for your continued support of the Food Bank, all our donations are making a difference to those in need in Redditch. Please **DO NOT** leave any fresh fruit or vegetables, these cannot be accepted at the Food Bank.

### Christmas Fairtrade Sale—After all Masses on the weekend 7/8 December

First of a few short notes over the next few weeks about products on sale over the weekend of 7/8 December. This week Zaytoun, a social enterprise which exists to support Palestinian farmers through fair trade. 100% of their profits are reinvested in providing this help to farmers such as Doha Asous, an organic farmer from the ancient village of Burin, near Nablus. Read her story at :

**Doha Asous—Zaytoun** Zaytoun also supports volunteer teams in the area helping farmers with their olive harvest. Perhaps some of Doha's olives go into the olive oil used as Chrism oil.

### Real Advent Calendar

Produced by the Meaningful Chocolate Co. this calendar has part of the Christmas story behind each door, 25 fairly traded chocolates and a 24 page Christmas story & activity book. An enjoyable way of telling the real story of Christmas. Not available in super markets but can be ordered on line at [www.realadvent.co.uk](http://www.realadvent.co.uk)

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](mailto:safeguarding@lmc@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.

### First Holy Communion Parish Class

for children in non-Catholic Schools begins in January 2025 on Wednesdays at 6pm in church.

If you have a child in Yr 3 or over who would like to make their FHC, please contact the parish office to enrol your child/children either by email or in person.

Email: [office@mtcarmel.co.uk](mailto:office@mtcarmel.co.uk)

### COUNTERS FOR THIS WEEKEND

Team 3 P & B Holder T Tamburro

### COUNTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Team 4 J Hardcastle T Cordha M Barratt

### PARISH SENIORS' GROUP in the Parish Hall

Next Meeting—Christmas Crafts  
2pm Thursday 21st November

### Date for your diary ...

Christmas Fairtrade Sale  
After all Masses 7/8 December  
Parish Carol Service  
Thursday 19th December

### 500 Club Subscriptions are now due -

Thank you to those who have already paid  
These can be brought to the parish office during the week, posted through the office letter box or by cheque in the post.

Cheques should be made payable to  
'Mount Carmel 500 Club'



### **NEW LECTIONARY AND REVISED PARISH MASS BOOKS FOR THE CHURCH**

Thank you to those of you who have already so generously made a donation towards the cost of the new Lectionary and Parish Mass Books (Year C, Part 1) which come into use on the First Sunday of Advent (1st December).

The total cost to the parish is £2,090. Donations can be made direct to the parish office by cheque or cash, or if you wish to donate via bank transfer, please contact the parish office for bank details. Thankyou