



OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL, REDDITCH

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The Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham: Registered Charity No. 234216

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NEWSLETTER 2004 **SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C** 20TH FEBRUARY 2022

Readings 1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13 Psalm 102 1 Corinthians 15:45-49 Gospel Luke 6:27-38

REFLECTION FOR TODAY ...

Christ came to proclaim the kingdom of God. This is not a prize waiting for good people; it is a totally new way of living, as today's readings tell us. From any rational standpoint, David had good reason to kill Saul, who had shown himself his enemy; and Saul was now at David's mercy. Yet David did not kill him. No ordinary man would have behaved like that, but David was no ordinary man. He had listened seriously to what God had to say. This is what Paul is talking about when he says we must be modelled on the heavenly man. We are called upon to behave differently from people around us. The teaching given to us in the Gospel creates difficulties for us if we try to live up to it. Christ never promised that it would be easy. He called such a life 'our cross'. But this way of living is the way into his Kingdom. His help is ours for the asking as we share in the Mass today.

PLEASE NOTE ...

Please note the **Parish Office will be closed this coming Wednesday 23rd February, Morning Mass as usual.**

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK *Psalter Week 7*

Saturday	5pm	Thomas Meagher (b'day a)
<i>Hadzor</i>	5pm	Bea Radford
Sunday	8.15am	Christian Lawson 9.45am (Polish) 11.15am Robina Guy 6pm People of the Parish (live-streamed)
<i>Feckenham</i>	10.15am	Ints of the Gavin Family
Monday	9.30am	Ints of Dinah & Joe Black
Tuesday	9.30am	Andy Chustecki
Wednesday	9.30am	Ints of Maureen Dunphy
Thursday	9.30am	John McGillen, Frank & Maureen Reavey
	7pm	NO MASS
Friday	9.30am	Teresa Downey
Saturday	9.30am	Special Intention of E Kott (b'day)
	5pm	Lilian Tierney
<i>HMP Hewell</i>	9.30am/10.30am	
<i>Hadzor</i>	5pm	Frank & Joan Patterson

IMPORTANT NOTICE

A parishioner had her purse stolen before the 11.15am Mass last Sunday and her card was used at the local newsagents at 11.15am. **PLEASE KEEP YOUR BELONGINGS SAFE AND DO NOT LEAVE THEM UNATTENDED** Thank you. This incident has been reported to the Police.

The suspect was male, 5'10" wearing blue anorak

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YR C) 27TH FEBRUARY 2022

Sunday	8.15am	People of the Parish 9.45am (Polish) 11.15am Patrick Dooher 6pm Michael & Winifred Conboy (live-streamed)
<i>Feckenham</i>	10.15 am	Pat & Mary Kennedy (a)

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 **VICTORIA MORRIS** Funeral 12.30pm Friday 25th February at the Abbey Chapel, **DAVID PATERSON** Funeral Mass 2.30pm Monday 28th February, **EILEEN DAWSON** Reception of Body 5pm Wednesday 2nd March, Funeral Mass 11.45am Thursday 3rd March, **MICHAEL CARN** Funeral Mass 12 noon Wednesday 9th March, **ANNE HAVAS** Funeral Service 12.30pm Wednesday 16th March at the Abbey Chapel, **JAMES CUMMINS** Funeral Mass 12 noon Thursday 17th March, **DARYL BARBER** Funeral details not yet known,

FR GABRIEL MAGUIRE CSSR, MGR JOHN HESLIN

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

For the Sick ...

Your prayers are asked for **BRIAN DIXON, KEN MCARDLE, CAROLINE & BOB HOLLAND, FRANCIS KEANEY, GAIL KAVANAGH, CHRISTINE MURRAY, JULIA HOPKINS, EDDIE & GERALDINE MCGROARTY, MARGARET GERAGHTY, MARY LYNCH, DESMOND WARD, PAULINE CLARKE, ASHLEY MOONEY, ALICE CAIRNS, JOSIE MANDER, CARINA CHALK, EILEEN GIBBON, JONATHAN CALDICOTT, ANNIE COX, MEYE JOSEPH (Fr Cornelius' Father)**

Lamp at the Shrine of Our Lady

This week in loving memory of **CHRIS & JOAN AVERN (WEDD A) & JEAN TODD (B'DAY A) ...**

Next week for a **PRIVATE INTENTION**

Lamp at the Shrine of the Sacred Heart

This week for a **PRIVATE INTENTION**

Next week in loving memory of **CHRISTOPHER & JENNY McNAMEE**

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

Gospel Luke 6:27-38



Saints for the Week...

Monday Saint Peter Damian, Bishop, Doctor of the Church

(1007-1072) St Peter Damian, a Benedictine monk, was the author of many important works on liturgy, theology and morals. Having served as an abbot, St Peter was made Bishop of Ostia in 1057. He supported Gregory VII in his struggle for the rights of the Church. He was declared a Doctor of the Church in 1828.

Tuesday Feast of the Chair of St Peter the Apostle

Wednesday Saint Polycarp, Bishop, Martyr

(+155) St Polycarp was converted to Christianity by St John the Evangelist. He was later ordained bishop of Smyrna (now Izmir, Turkey). He was about eighty-six when the Roman pro-consul urged him to renounce Christ and save his life. St Polycarp replied, 'For eighty-six years I have served him and he has never wronged me. How can I renounce the King who has saved me?' He was executed and his body burnt; his followers collected his relics and wrote an account of his life and martyrdom.

Saturday Our Lady on Saturday

World Day of Prayer 2022—Friday 4th March

A Service for Everyone—2pm Emmanuel Church in the Town Centre or 7pm at St Peter's, Ipsley

COUNTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

27th February 2022 Counting Team 2

Joan McHugh, Chris Morgan, Angela Chatterley

PARISH PRAYER GROUP

Mondays after 9.30am Mass

Rosary, Divine Mercy

All Welcome

PLEASE NOTE

The coming week is half term, therefore there won't be any Choir practice on Monday, FHC class on Wednesday or Journey in Faith on Thursday

Fairtrade Fortnight 21st February—6th March

The CAFOD group is promoting this around the parish with a sale of Traidcraft items, (all below catalogue prices) at each Mass centre once during the two weeks. This weekend it will be at Hadzor on Saturday evening and Feckenham Sunday morning. Next weekend (26th/27th) at all Masses at Mount Carmel and Sunday 6th March at Alvechurch (if open). Traidcraft catalogues are at the back of all Mass centres. The sale of these goods directly helps community producers in developing countries not just with guaranteed fair prices but also by funding social benefit facilities such as clinics and schools. Please support this. There will be a plentiful supply of pre-Lent chocolate including Fr Tony's favourite!

Right to Life Prayer to the week

We pray for our society; that as a culture we would promote the value of life, and that we would seek the protection of all humans from the point of conception to natural death. Lord hear us

40 Days for Life—Birmingham

ABORTION EXPOSED An insight into the abortion industry from ex MSI International Director Kevin Duffy

Sunday 27 February at 2pm in St Joseph's & St Helen's Hall, 84 Northfield Road, Kings Norton, B'ham B30 1JG

'Abortion Reversal Pill Saved my Baby—One Mum tells her story'. For more information contact Isabel 07773 501721

VOLUNTEERS needed ...

Help is needed for the following duties at the weekend Masses at Mount Carmel.

* Offertory Collectors * Greeters * Offertory Procession

Also volunteers to go on a rota for Altar Linen and an IT technician who could periodically update the website.

Anyone interested in cricket?

Worcestershire Cricket have launched a Walking Cricket Hub for 2022 in Redditch. Turn up and play, the first session is free, no obligation. Tuesday Afternoon 5.30pm—6.30pm at Birchensale Middle School, Bridley Moor B97 6HS. For more information contact elsa-marie.evans@wccc.co.uk

Thank you ...

A huge thankyou to all who were able to support me either by praying or by donating to Wateraid for my Just Water Challenge. I raised over £850 and that's down to your generosity. The total raised nationwide was £44,000 which will be doubled to £88,000 by the Government matching scheme—a great amount to go towards getting clean water into schools in Nepal and around the world. Thank again Rebekah.

Home Carer required to care for a Polish parishioner (lady) in Batchley ...

You would be joining a team to manage 3 visits a day. Assistance need with personal care and bathing, meal prep, light household duties and generally helping her remain at home. Has mobility issues but can transfer by herself. Applicant should be compassionate and flexible. Care experience needed. Must be able to work weekends and evenings. Immediate start. Contact anita3johnson@gmail.com with CV and references.

Help needed ...

Is there anyone local to Alvechurch who might be interested in doing some paid support work. A mother is looking for someone to work with her 13 yr old autistic daughter. They must be able to drive and have their own car. It is 10 hrs per week during school holidays. It would involve doing activities such as swimming, bowling, skating etc or shopping trips. It might suit a student. This is urgent as half term is approaching.

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

