



OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL, REDDITCH

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NEWSLETTER 2232 **SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING 23RD NOVEMBER 2025**

Readings: 2 Samuel 5:1-3 Psalm 121 Colossians 1:12-20 Gospel Luke 23:35-43 Psalter Week 2

REFLECTION FOR THIS SUNDAY ...

Way back in the year 1925 a new feast day appeared on the Church calendar for the first time called 'Christ the King'. It was the happy idea of the pope who was then Pius XI. The word 'Christ' means 'the anointed one' and in the very old days priests, prophets and kings were anointed, as in fact priests, kings and queens are today. Jesus Christ combined all three in himself. He was priest prophet and king and so is known as the Christ or the Messiah.

When he became Pope, Pius XI took as his motto; 'The peace of Christ in the reign of Christ,' and what he was saying is that we always need something and someone greater than ourselves to whom we can refer our problems. The one thing is a right way of living, and the one person is Christ the King.

November – Month of the Holy Souls

Envelopes are available in the porches for the names of your deceased parents, relatives and friends to be entered into the Book of the Dead.

MASS INTENTIONS for the week beginning 23rd November 2025

Saturday	5pm	Sean & Eileen McCardle (a)
Sunday	8.15am	In Gratitude to Our Lady 9.45am (Polish)
	11.15am	Helen Bryan & People of the Parish
	6pm	Martin Fanning (live-streamed)
Monday	6pm	Tony Gallagher (a)
STM School	9am	Holy Souls
Tuesday	9.30am	Tom, Peggy & John McGillen
Wednesday	9.30am	NO MASS
Thursday	7pm	Roma Loboda & Ints of John Paul & Mary (25th Wedd A)
Friday	9.30am	Peter Brown
	7pm	Mass of Christian Initiation
Saturday	9.30am	Caroline Jones
	5pm	Pat Reardon & Peter & Judy Reynolds

MASS INTENTIONS for the First Sunday in Advent 30th November 2025

Sunday	8.15am	David Hanney (b'day a) 9.45am (Polish)
	11.15am	Bronislaw & Wojciech Slobodzian
	6pm	Beryl Rollins & People of the Parish (live-streamed)

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, EILEEN GIBBON, MARY FALLON, MARGARET WILLIAMS, LEXI BRADBURY, FR MICHAEL WHITE, ALISTAIR CROWLE, ANNIE CLEARY, VILMA WILLIS, TRACEY HAWTHORNE, JANE ELLIOTT, MARGARET ANNE SEAMAN, EVELYN (5 YRS OLD), JOHN BROWN, LORNA PARSONAGE, GARY DALLOW, PASCALE BREYNE, SHEILA TWIST**

For the Dead ...

Please pray for **AMY JOAN WOOLTORTON** Funeral Mass 11am 28th November at Ss Richard & Hubert's, Hadzor, **CATHLEEN JONES** Funeral Service 1.15pm Tuesday 2nd December at the Abbey Chapel, **PAUL JARVIS** Funeral Mass 12.30pm Thursday 4th December



Lamp at the Shrine of Our Lady

This week in loving memory of **EILEEN MAHER & JAMES PURCELL**
Next week in loving memory of **ROSEMARY LANNIE**



Lamp at the Shrine of the Sacred Heart

This week for the deceased of the **MCCORMACK FAMILY**
Next week for the deceased of the **WHYTE FAMILY**

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



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



**CONFESSION
& BENEDICTION
SATURDAYS
10AM - 11AM
OR BY
APPOINTMENT**

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

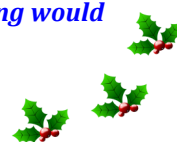


Parish Christmas Lunch Saturday 29th November

Soup, Pulled Pork Bap
12 noon in the parish hall
All proceeds to the Parish Hall Fund

**Raffle & Every time a
Prize Tombola**

Donations of the following would
be gratefully received :
Bottles, unwanted gifts,
Cakes & mince pies



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 Saint Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest & companions, Martyrs

St Andrew Dung-Lac was a Vietnamese priest martyred in 1839. He was one of a group of 117 martyrs put to death in the 19th century, They were canonised in 1988. Altogether between 130,000 and 300,000 Catholics were martyred in Vietnam from the 17th to the 19th century.

Tuesday Saint Catherine of Alexandria

St Catherine lived during the 4th century. She was a learned girl of noble birth who protested against the persecution of Christians which was ordered by the Roman Emperor, Maxentius. She converted the Emperor's wife and defeated in debate the best scholars sent to oppose her. Very little is known about her life; she was popular in the Middle Ages.

Saturday Our Lady on Saturday

Pope's Prayer Intention for November

For the prevention of suicide : Let us pray that those who are tempted to commit suicide may find the support, care and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.

Weekly Statistics :

Weekend 15/16 November 2025
1st Collection £521.54
2nd Collection £231.93 (Parish Hall)
Attendance 423

These figures do not include Standing Orders or Dona payments

Christmas Fair Trade Sale Weekend 6/7th December

This week we feature Dalit soaps. Made using natural ingredients they are suitable for sensitive skin and are ethically produced. Each bar sold supports Dalit Goods Co's mission to help marginalised communities, such as street children in Mumbai. This long lasting soap is made in Kerala employing disadvantaged women. The soap is vegan-friendly and palm oil free. Read more at : [Children's Stories – Dalit Goods Co.](#)

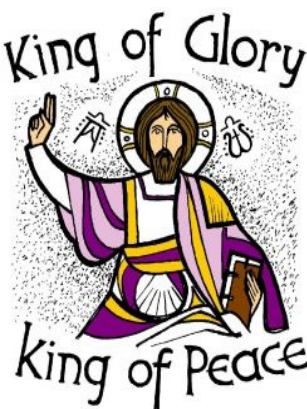
SING IN EXULTATION! Christmas Music by Candlelight

7.30pm Saturday 6 December Trinity High School, Grove St, B98 8DS

Join Redditch Choral Society and the children of St Mary's Catholic School for an evening of festive delights, including carols new and old, and music from The Nutcracker. Tickets £12.50, accompanied children free - they are selling fast so don't miss out : <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/redditchchoralsociety>

Advent Rosary in the city - Saturday 6th December at 12 noon Chamberlain Square, Birmingham City Centre

All are welcome—men, women and children to publicly pray and witness to our faith in the centre of Birmingham. We will pray for the conversion of our city and Nation, protection and blessing of family life, and a culture that values all life from conception. For more information contact Ben on 07885 505116



WALK WITH ME BOOKLETS & ADVENT CALENDARS

Available in the porches this weekend, please take one home with you. A donation of £1 for the booklet would be gratefully received but not obligatory. Donations can be put in the votive lights slot. Thank you

MOUNT CARMEL 500 CLUB SUBSCRIPTIONS NOW DUE

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'

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

COUNTERS FOR THIS WEEKEND

Team 10 B Gleetar G Stanly A Biju S Sebastian

COUNTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Team 11 S Jose B Babu B Jacob



Seniors Next Meeting

Thursday 4th December

Trip to Christmas Market



DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Parish Carol Service

Tuesday 16th December

7pm in Mount Carmel

Mulled wine
& mince pies
in parish hall
afterwards



Parish First Holy Communion

for children in non-Catholic schools begins in January. Please contact the parish office either by email or phone if you wish to enrol your child/children

McCarron School of Irish Dance

Lessons 4pm-5pm Tuesdays

for boys & girls age 3 & upwards in Mount Carmel Church Parish Hall

For more information please contact us on 07429 019367. Find us on Facebook & Instagram : mccarrondance

ADULT CEILI CLASSES beginning 26 November at the Irish Centre, Wheelers Lane, Kings Heath B14 0ST—Wednesdays 7.30-8.30pm—great way to keep fit!
Register your interest on 07515 511 311



**PLEASE PUT MOBILE PHONES
ON SILENT AT MASS,
THANKYOU**

