



OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL, REDDITCH

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NEWSLETTER 2181 **SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING YEAR B 24TH NOVEMBER 2024**

Readings : Daniel 7:13-14 Psalm 92 Apocalypse 1:5-8 Gospel John 18:33-37 Psalter Week 2

Reflection for this Sunday

The 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.



MASS INTENTIONS for the week beginning 24th November 2024

Saturday	5pm	Peter & David McHugh (a) & Rosemary Lannie (a)
Sunday	8.15am	Peggy Regan & Ints of Lucinda Murphy
	9.45am	(Polish) 11.15am Elizabeth Loboda & Thanksgiving for Jobin
	6pm	Tony Gallagher & People of the Parish (live-streamed)
Monday	6pm	Ints of Ahalya (b'day)
STM School	9am	Holy Souls
Tuesday	9.30am	Tom, Peggy & John McGillen
Wednesday	9.30am	Bronislaw & Wojciech Slobodzian & Paul Jones (a)
Thursday	7pm	Mass for Deceased Parishioners
STA School	9.40am	Holy Souls
Friday	9.30am	David Hanney (b'day a) & John Sheehan (a)
STB School	2pm	Adoration
Saturday	9.30am	Ints of Michael Gavin
	5pm	Peter Reynolds & Pat Reardon

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

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

MASS INTENTIONS for First Sunday of Advent 1st December

Sunday	8.15am	Dec'd Duraj & Srebniak Families
	9.45am	(Polish) 11.15am Ints of Emilia & Emmanuel
	6pm	Peggy Regan & People of the Parish (live-streamed)

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, DAVID CRUISE, MICHAEL & MARIA YATES, PIUS McDERMOTT, JANE-CHRISTINA THOMSON, HELEN HORVATH, JEAN MAITLAND, EILEEN GIBBON, HEATHER SMITH, FRANK & MARY FALLON, GETHAN FARNES, MARGARET WILLIAMS, LEXI BRADBURY, FR MICHAEL WHITE, LORNA PARSONAGE, ALISTAIR CROWLE**

For the Dead ...

Please pray for **GRAZYNA JUSZKIEWICZ** Reception of Body 5pm Thursday 5th December, Funeral Mass 11am Friday 6th December, **PATRICK MEANEY** Funeral Mass 12 noon Tuesday 10th December, **BRIDIE MCCONNELL** Funeral Mass 11am Wednesday 18th December, **FR GRAHAM WILKINSON** Reception of Body into St Peter's, Bromsgrove 7pm Thursday 28th November, Funeral Mass in St Chad's Cathedral, 12 noon Friday 29th November, Burial at Blackmore Park, Hanley Swan, **JOHN LOFTUS** in Ireland, relative of parishioner



Lamp at the Shrine of Our Lady

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

Next week for the intentions of the **REBECCA**



Lamp at the Shrine of the Sacred Heart

This week in loving memory of **ROSEMARY LANNIE (A)**

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

MASS FOR DECEASED PARISHIONERS

7 PM THURSDAY 28 NOVEMBER

when the names of those who have died over the last 12 months will be read out during the Mass and a candle lit at Our Lady's Shrine for each one

Parish Christmas Lunch & Raffle

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

Raffle, Tombola, Unwanted Gifts

All proceeds to Parish Hall Fund



WANTED

Donations towards the Raffle Prizes,
2nd Prize £50, Bottles for the Raffle Prizes &
Tombola, Unwanted Gifts



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

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 Catherine of Alexandria

St Catherine lived during the fourth 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 Feast of Saint Andrew, Apostle

(First century) St Andrew was born at Bethsaida and worked as a fisherman. He is called the Protokletos or 'first called', for he was originally a disciple of St John the Baptist before following Christ and bringing with him his brother, St Peter. After Pentecost he zealously preached the gospel and was crucified at Patras, Greece. He is the patron of Scotland, where his relics were formerly venerated at St Andrews.

Pope's Prayer Intention for December—For Pilgrims of hope

We pray that this Jubilee Year strengthens our faith, helping us to recognise the Risen Christ in our daily lives, and that it may transform us into pilgrims of Christ hope.

Weekly Statistics : Weekend 16/17 November 2024

1st Collection £ : £465.12 2nd Collection £219.99 (Parish Hall)

Attendance 346 (No count for 6pm)

These figures do not include Standing Orders or Dona payments

Urgent—Assisted Suicide Bill

There are now just over two weeks until the all-crucial vote in Parliament which will take place on **Friday 29 November**. We know that assisted suicide laws in other jurisdictions have had devastating consequences for the poor, disabled and marginalised. This is the biggest threat to the vulnerable in a decade, and we need a **huge effort to lobby MP's to vote against the bill**. Please urgently contact your MP and ask him/her to vote against the bill. You can contact your MP by visiting www.livesworthliving.org.uk or write to him/her at : **House of Commons, London, SW1A 0AA**.

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.

Liberation Foods



One of the suppliers for next month's fairtrade sale is Liberation Foods. Some of their range of nuts and peanut butter will be available. One of their partners is Fair Trade Alliance Kerala, which has a membership of 4,000 smallholder farmers based across the state of Kerala. They grow a range of crops, promote gender equality, preservation of crop diversity and use traditional farming practices.

'A Christmas Fantasy' with Phoenix Singers and Midlands Hospitals' Choir Birmingham Town Hall on Sunday 8 December at 4.30pm

Tickets £22-£30 book through B:Music's Box Office online boxoffice@bmusic.co.uk or phone 0121 289 6343 **in aid of the Birmingham Hospice**

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'**

Senior Citizens Christmas Party at St Augustine's High School

Wednesday 18 December

2.15pm—3.15pm

**Food, Drinks and the pupils
will be your hosts**

**If interested, you can either fill in
the form by visiting**

[https://forms.office.com/e/
xdKZMeWj](https://forms.office.com/e/xdKZMeWj)

or contact the school direct

01527 550400

or the parish office on

01527 63096

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

COUNTERS FOR THIS WEEKEND

Team 1 T Craig G Blundell L Kings

COUNTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Team 2 J McHugh C Morgan A Chatterley

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

7pm Thursday 19th December

Christmas Cards Calendars & Diaries for 2025

**Available from the
Parish Office**

**Calendars £1 each
Diaries with Mass £3.50 each**

Christmas Cards

pack of 10 £1.50

Pack of 12 £3.00

Missio Calendars 2025

Available in church porches
Please empty your Red Boxes
into the envelopes provided in
the porches and bring to the
office by Mid December so that
money can be banked before end
of year. Thank you



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@qlmc@gmail.com or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns.

