



OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL, REDDITCH

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NEWSLETTER 2241 **THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR A** 25TH JANUARY 2026

Readings: Isaiah 9:1-4 Psalm 26 1 Corinthians 1:10-13,17 Gospel Matthew 4:12-23 Psalter Week

Welcome ...

We are pleased to welcome to the parish, Deacon Jithin Titto who will be joining us in February. He is a seminarian presently on placement with Fr Long and will be with us until his Ordination to the Priesthood in the summer.

MASS INTENTIONS for the week beginning 25th January 2026

Saturday	5pm	Intentions of Laura & Tom
Sunday	8.15am	Robina (Nanny) Guy 9.45am (Polish)
	11.15am	Ints of Tommy & Rosanne Martin & People of the Parish
	6pm	Allan Trahearn (live-streamed)
Monday	6pm	Michael & Anna Marie O'Brien
Tuesday	9.30am	Paul Kott (a) & Teresa Gregory (B'day a)
Wednesday	9.30am	NO MASS
Thursday	7pm	Ints of Reji & Manju (25th Wedd A) & Ints of Reka & Magdi
Friday	9.30am	Michael O'Leary
Saturday	9.30am	I & B Jones & Family
	5pm	John Doran & Harry Marks (B'day a)

MASS INTENTIONS for the Fourth Sunday of the Year A 1st February 2026

Sunday	8.15am	Frank Smith 9.45am (Polish)
	11.15am	Louise Sheridan & People of the Parish
	6pm	Jenny McNamee (a) (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, 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, ELLIS MITCHELL, DORIS FLYNN & FAMILY**

For the Dead ...

Please pray for **EILEEN GIBBON** Reception of Body 5pm Wednesday 28th January, Funeral Mass 2pm Thursday 29th January, Burial at St Mary's, Studley, **HELEN BOYD** Reception of Body 5pm Sunday 1st February, Funeral Mass 12 noon Monday 2nd February, Burial at the Abbey Cemetery, **MARY WEBB** Funeral details not yet known



Lamp at the Shrine of Our Lady

This week for the intentions of the **DUNNE FAMILY**
Next week for the intentions of the **DOHERTY FAMILY**

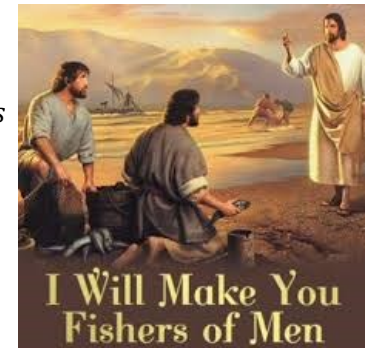


Lamp at the Shrine of the Sacred Heart

This week for the intentions of the **BREE FAMILY**
Next week in loving memory of **STANLEY CATER**

LAMPS AT THE SHRINE OF OUR LADY & THE SACRED HEART

To have the lamp burn for your intentions or loved ones, please contact the parish office, suggested donation £5



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



CONFESSION, ADORATION & BENEDICTION

Saturdays 10am-11am
or by appointment

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

Mayor's Civic Service—3.30pm Sunday 1st February at Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Councillor Joanna Kane (parishioner), the Mayor of Redditch, is holding the Mayor's Civic Service at Mount Carmel on Sunday 1 February at 3.30pm. The Service will be led by the Mayor's chaplain, Canon Brian McGinley. This is a community event for the people of Redditch, and everyone is welcome.

There will be light refreshments afterwards in the Parish Hall. In order to arrange catering, it would be very helpful if you could please email Susie Lisle at s.lisle@bromsgroveandredditch.gov.uk if you would like to attend.

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

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 Saints Timothy and Titus, Bishops

(+97) *St Timothy was the son of a pagan father and a Hebrew-Christian mother, Eunice. He was a disciple of St Paul and accompanied him in the evangelisation of many cities. St Paul consecrated him bishop of Ephesus. According to a fourth century story, he was beaten to death by a mob, when he opposed the observance of a pagan festival.*

St Titus was also a friend and disciple of St Paul who ordained him bishop of Crete., St Paul wrote to these two disciples three pastoral letters, which gave glimpses of the structure of the Church.

Tuesday Blessed Edward Oldcorne, Priest, Martyr or of Saint Angela Merici, Virgin

Blessed Edward Oldcorne was born in York in 1561 and was ordained a priest in 1587 and became a Jesuit the following year. He worked in Worcestershire. He was arrested on 27 January 1606, and although his involvement in the gun powder plot was unclear, he was executed at Red Hill, Worcester on 7th April of the same year. He was beatified in 1929.

(1470-1540) St Angela was born in northern Italy. In 1516, she founded the order of the Ursulines, the first teaching Order for women approved by the Church. Italy then was rife with violence and open immorality. St Angela believed that the formation of Christian women was society's greatest need.

Wednesday Saint Thomas Aquinas, Priest, Doctor of the Church

(1225-1274) He was educated at the abbey of Monte Cassino and at the University of Naples. In about 1244, he joined the Dominican Order. He is considered one of the greatest philosophers and theologians of all times., St Thomas gained the title of 'Angelic Doctor'. He had an undisputed mastery of scholastic theology and a profound holiness of life. Pope Leo XIII declared him Patron of Catholic Schools. His monumental work, 'Summa Theologiae' was still unfinished when he died.

Saturday Saint John Bosco, Priest

(1815-1888) St John Bosco founded the Salesian society, named in honour of St Francis de Sales, and the Daughters of Mary, Help of Christians. His lifework was the welfare of young boys and girls, hence the title, 'Apostle of Youth'. He had no formal system or theory of education. His methods centred on persuasion, authentic religiosity, and love for young people. He was an enlightened educator and innovator.

Weekly Statistics :

Weekend 17/18 January 2026
1st Collection £617.04
2nd Collection £286.30 (*Pax Christi*)
Attendance 493

These figures do not include Standing Orders or Dona payments

Jubilee Pledge

Bringing the Jubilee Year to a close on the Feast of Epiphany, Pope Leo asked us to keep the Jubilee spirit alive as ongoing pilgrims of hope in the world., We can do this by thinking about and acting upon the six Jubilee themes, (Care for Creation, Poverty, Modern Slavery, Poor Country Debt, Forgiveness, Rest and Worship). Please consider making a pledge relating to one or more of the themes. A pledge sheet is attached to this newsletter. Take it home, read it reflect on it, and write down your pledge. There are some examples on the sheet. May the Holy Spirit guide you.

2026 Diaries (with Mass)

We have several Catholic Diaries which include the Mass at £3.50 each available from the parish office.

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

Lift to Church

A parishioner who has difficulty getting to Mass and who lives in the Webheath area, has asked if there is anyone in her area who would be willing to give her a lift or share a taxi. If you can help, please contact the parish office.

Redditch Choral Society

Redditch Choral Society would love to welcome new singers to their friendly, inclusive choir. They are unique in Redditch, putting on choral works with professional soloists and musicians, giving the choir the chance to sing with top notch performers. They are currently rehearsing Rossini's Petite Messe Solennelle, and meet on Wednesdays 7.30-9.15pm at Crabbs Cross Methodist Church. There is no need to audition, no previous experience needed and all ages and voices are welcome. If you would like more details, please email redditchchoralsociety@gmail.com or message us on Facebook.

Our Lady of Mount Carmel, pray for us

COUNTERS FOR THIS WEEKEND

Team 8 B Joseph J Chacko M Gonsalves M Johnson

COUNTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Team 9 J Joseph L Mapranath M Vincent S Thomas

Seniors Next Meeting

Thursday 5th February 2026

2pm Parish Hall

Prayer & Coffee Morning

Ss John Fisher & Thomas More Church, Feckenham
10am Wednesday 21st January, 4th & 18th February 2026
Everyone welcome



