



OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL, REDDITCH

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NEWSLETTER 2207 **SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR C 25TH MAY 2025**

Readings: Acts 15:1-2,22-29 Psalm 66 Apocalypse 21:10-14 Gospel John 14:23-29 Psalter Week 2

Reflection for this weekend

This Sunday's Gospel, taken from Chapter 14 of the Gospel according to John, gives us an implicit spiritual portrait of the Virgin Mary when Jesus says: 'Whoever loves me will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him'. These words are addressed to the disciples but can be applied to a maximum degree precisely to the One who was first and perfect disciple of Jesus. Mary, in fact, observed first and fully the words of her Son, showing that she loved him not only as a mother, but first of all as a humble and obedient handmaid. For this reason God the Father loved her and the Most Holy Trinity made its dwelling place in her.

Pope Benedict XVI

IMPORTANT NOTICE!

Fr Jason will be away from the parish this coming week taking a well earned break. Therefore, there will not be any Masses celebrated during the week except for **Thursday**, which is the **Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord, a Holyday of Obligation** and there will be Mass at 9.30am & 7pm. Weekend Masses as normal.

MASS INTENTIONS for the week beginning 25th May 2025

Saturday	5pm	Lady Jeanne Hunt & Alfonso Garofano
Sunday	8.15am	Mary McGlynn & Ints of the Parish Laudato Si Group 9.45am (Polish)
	11.15am	Margaret Evans & People of the Parish
	6pm	Deirdre McBride (live-streamed)
Monday	6pm	NO MASS
Tuesday	9.30am	NO MASS
Wednesday	9.30am	NO MASS
Thursday	Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord, Holyday of Obligation	
	9.30am	Michael Purcell (a)
	7pm	Michael & Anne O'Brien & Ints of Patsy Gilbert
Friday	9.30am	NO MASS
Saturday	9.30am	Ints of Peter & Ints of Ephrayim & Anila
	5pm	Antony Juwah (b'day a)

Seventh Sunday of Easter 1st June 2025

Sunday	8.15am	David Tutt 9.45am (Polish)
	11.15am	Anne Simpson & People of the Parish
	6pm	Ints of Eleanor Newbury (FHC) (live-streamed)

For the Sick ...

Please pray for **FR TONY, BRIAN DIXON, CAROLINE & BOB HOLLAND, EDDIE & GERALDINE MCGROARTY, JOHN HEATLEY, DELIA BREE, PAUL MCCONNELL, JULIAN MCRANDAL, DAVID CRUISE, MICHAEL & MARIA YATES, PIUS MCDERMOTT, JANE-CHRISTINA THOMSON, HELEN HORVATH, JEAN MAITLAND, EILEEN GIBBON, FRANK & MARY FALLON, MARGARET WILLIAMS, LEXI BRADBURY, FR MICHAEL WHITE, LORNA PARSONAGE, ALISTAIR CROWLE, ANNIE CLEARY, VILMA WILLIS, TRACEY & JOHN HAWTHORNE, BARBARA HARTHILL, JANE ELLIOTT, RYAN MARSDEN, MARGARET ANNE SEAMAN, ROBERT CARTER, SUSAN PORTER, EMMA MARTIN**

For the Dead ...

Please pray for **MARY 'MAURA' HEATH** Reception of Body 5pm Wednesday 4th June, Funeral Mass 10.30am Thursday 5th June, **MICHAEL RYAN** Reception into church 5pm Monday 9th June, Funeral Mass 1pm Tuesday 10th June, **BETTY TONGUE** Funeral Service 12.30pm Monday 16th June, **WILLOW RAVEN MOORE** Funeral Service 1.15pm Tuesday 17th June at the Abbey Chapell, **MARINA HUBER** Funeral Mass 1pm Monday 23rd June, **EAMONN KELLY** Funeral Mass 12 noon Monday 30th June



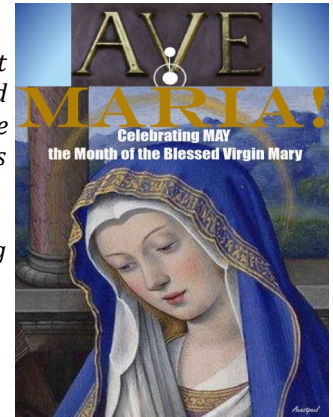
Lamp at the Shrine of Our Lady

This week for the intentions of the **BREWSTER FAMILY**
Next week for the intentions **NITIN (B'DAY)**



Lamp at the Shrine of the Sacred Heart

This week for the intentions of **ROB CARTER**
Next week for the intentions of **NITIN (B'DAY)**



Fr Tony

Father is still in the Alex Hospital but seems in good spirits—Please keep him in your prayers

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

CONFESSION & BENEDICTION

Saturday 10am-11am or by appointment

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

THANK YOU

to all who helped or supported in any way the Feckenham Flower Show last weekend. An enjoyable time was had by all. Mike Thompson is still awaiting a few outstanding expenses but the total profit looks like being in the region of £1100.00. Final figure next week.
Well done to everyone

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 Philip Neri, Priest

(1515-1595) St Philip Neri was born in Florence, he was ordained a priest in 1551 and founded the Congregation of the Oratory. He is noted for his zeal in converting sinners through the Sacrament of Penance. He was a catechist and a spiritual guide of extraordinary talent. He died at 80 years of age.

Tuesday Feast of Saint Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop

(+605) St Augustine was sent by St Gregory the Great to England to convert the English people to Christianity. He baptised King Ethelbert of Kent and many of his subjects. At Canterbury, he erected a monastery and there established his Episcopal See.

Thursday Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

Holiday of Obligation

Friday The Solemnity of Dedication

Saturday Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Weekly Statistics :

Weekend	17/18 May 2025
1st Collection	£537.45
2nd Collection	£264.83 (Parish Hall)
Attendance	542

These figures do not include Standing Orders or Dona payments

Missio (Red Boxes)

'In 2024 people in England & Wales gave over £2 million through the Red Box and other means of giving. Of this the Archdiocese of Birmingham raised almost £200,000. Here in Redditch £1,107 was raised. Our missionary community here at Mount Carmel is part of a worldwide network of people supporting missionaries overseas through prayer and financial assistance. On behalf of Missio thank you all for your generosity.'



COUNTERS FOR THIS WEEKEND

Team 6 B Joy D Thomas J Joy J Jacob

COUNTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Team 7 J Alen J Paul J Devassy P Joseph

Parish Pilgrimage to Evesham

Saturday 12th July

Mass at St Egwins, Walk to the Abbey
concluding with Benediction

If you are interested in going, please register with the parish office so we have an idea of how many would like to go.

Seniors Next Meeting

2pm Thursday 6th June
in the Parish Hall

Annual Diocesan Justice & Peace Retreat—next Saturday 31st May

There is still time to book for this free retreat at St Paul's Convent, Selly Park, Birmingham. A day of reflection for the Jubilee year and how it calls us to rest, renew our faith and commit to building a fairer world where all may flourish. There will be reflection on how different themes from Luke 4:16-21 can guide and inspire us to be pilgrims of hope in today's world. For more details please see poster in church porches or go to <https://www.birminghamjandp.org.uk/retreat.html>

Laudato Si Week

This began Saturday (24th), the tenth anniversary of Pope Francis' groundbreaking social and environmental encyclical Laudato Si (Praise Be). The 8.15am Mass this Sunday is being offered for the work of the parish Laudato Si Group. <https://laudatosiweek.org>

Could you help support Catholic Education?

Our Lady of the Magnificat Multi Academy is inviting practising Catholics to consider becoming school governors within our family of schools. This is a valuable opportunity to serve your community, support the mission of Catholic education, and help shape the future for young people. No prior experience in education is needed—just a willingness to contribute your time and insight. To find out more, email governor@magnificat.org.uk or visit www.magnificat.org.uk/join-us/become-a-governor

Archdiocese of Birmingham—Safeguarding Voluntary Position

The Trustees of the Birmingham Diocesan Trust are looking to recruit a skilled, Catholic volunteer with professional experience of safeguarding to join the Board of Trustees and chair the Safeguarding Sub-Committee. We would welcome discussion with anyone interested in this important role—Further details available at [Safeguarding | Birmingham Diocesan Trust](http://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/Pages/FAQs/Category/safeguarding) or visit www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/Pages/FAQs/Category/safeguarding

Redditch Choral Society present Bach's St John's Passion

Saturday 7th June at Ss Matthias & George Church, Astwood Bank, B96 6EH.

The powerful re-telling of the days leading to Christ's Crucifixion set to music, sung in English. Professional Orchestra and directed by Emily Tyrell (parishioner). Tickets £15, £10 (Students) available from Ticket Source (Scan QR code to book)

'We believe Festival of Catholic Life' 25-28 July at Oscott College

A festival of Catholic Life celebrating the Jubilee Year of Hope, with parishes and families in mind. Four days of music, keynotes, conversation and worship, in the beautiful surroundings of St Mary's College, Oscott, Sutton Coldfield. Featuring Dr Gianna Emanuela Molla (daughter of St Gianna Molla), Fr Paul Murray, Mgr Michael Nazir-Ali, Fr Toby Lees and many more. Pilgrim-attendees can choose to come for the whole weekend (camping, staying locally or coming from home) at an adult Early Bird rate of £70, or for a day for £40. Early Bird Tickets available now at www.webelievifestival.com/tickets.

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 g.olmc.redditch@rcaob.org.uk

PARISH HALL When you leave, please make sure all lights are switched off, toilets flushed and the hall is left in a clean and tidy state

PARISH TOILETS During Mass times the toilet in the parish hall will be open. Please make sure the toilet is flushed and left as you would wish to find it. **Please do not put paper towels or nappies in the toilet—thank you.**

**Churches Together in Redditch Worship Together—
1700th Anniversary of the Nicene Creed.**

Trinity Sunday 15th June at 3.30pm in the Ecumenical Centre (adjoining the Kingfisher Centre). Hosted by Emmanuel Church, Redditch (Methodist & United Reform)

