



OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL, REDDITCH

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NEWSLETTER 1926 **SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (A)** 26TH JULY 2020

Readings 1 Kings 3:5, 7-12 Psalm 118 Romans 8:28-30 Gospel Matthew 13:44-52

Reflection

As a very young man Solomon prays for a discerning conscience or wisdom to govern his subjects. God grants his prayer. As Christians, we too should pray for a discerning conscience—for our own benefit but also for those we hope to influence in our lives.

Challenging times face the young. Opportunities for new exciting experiences are part of their lifestyle. Travel, study, music, sport, service, technology, religious exploration and the relationship revolution all have the potential to enrich young lives. Lack of jobs, manipulative pressure, uncertainty about values, changing attitudes to faith and family, absence of engaging role-models, and substance abuse endanger the core of human maturity and happiness. Choices facing the young today are stark with life-long consequences stretching into eternity. It is in these choices that the young must find God. Finding always implies a willingness to search.



Coming to Mass

We are instructed by the HSE of the Diocese that we can only have a Congregational Celebration of Mass if we have Stewards to manage this process on our behalf. Therefore, I ask you please be guided by the Stewards in order to manage the numbers allowed in the Church at any one time and the necessity to clean and sanitise after each Mass.

Unless there are special circumstances please take the next available seat allocated to you by the Stewards.

Face Coverings: It is mandatory that FACE COVERINGS ARE WORN THROUGHOUT MASS please bring your own face covering with you.

St Benedict's, Rowan Road, Batchley

We have been granted Planning Permission to build on the St. Benedict's Site, therefore the site is in the process of being sold for development.

More Volunteers required for Stewarding and Cleaning before and after Mass

Stewards and Cleaners are required for all the Masses, Funerals and Baptisms, if you feel this is something you could volunteer to help with, please contact Maggie Barratt at the parish office, on 01527 63096 or email finance@mtcarmel.co.uk Thank you.

Mass Intentions

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (A)

Saturday	5pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	8.15am	Con Herlihy, 11.15am Patricia Rolinson (a), 6pm Terence Joseph McBennett
Monday	11am	Kay Morton (a), Dec'd members of the Cornyn, Darcy & Sedgwick Families, Galton Trust
Tuesday		<i>Clergy only</i> Canon Sean McTernan, Galton Trust, Galton Trust
Wednesday	11am	Pat Finn, Mary Houlihan, Galton Trust
Thursday		<i>Clergy only</i> Marjory Dixon, John Stack, Alan Gourley
Friday	11am	Johnson Association, Tony Battle, Galton Trust
Saturday	11am	Alan Gourley

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (A)

Saturday	5pm	Galton Trust
Sunday	8.15am	Bernadette Sampays, 11.15am People of the Parish, 6pm Pat Finn

Lamp at the Shrine of Our Lady

*This week the lamp burns for the repose of the soul of **PATRICK FINN***

*Next week for the intentions of **MARY WITHERS***

Lamp at the Shrine of the Sacred Heart

*This week the lamp burns for the intentions of **GERRY & DELIA BREE***

*Next week for the intentions of **ANNE CURRY***

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

For the dead ...

Your prayers are asked for **CAROL SMITH**
May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

For the Sick ...

Your prayers are asked for **GERRY BREE, BRIAN DIXON,
KAREN, MARGARET LYNCH, MARY WITHERS, KEN MCARDLE**

The Pope's Prayer Intention for August

The Maritime World—We pray for all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families.

Baptisms

If you attended a baptism course recently and your child's baptism was cancelled due to Covid 19, you can now rebook a baptism by contacting the parish office on 01527 63096 bearing in mind that only one Baptism can take place at any time and a maximum of 30 guests can attend.

CAFOD

CAFOD has joined with the UK Disasters Emergencies Committee to help millions of people whose lives are at risk, as coronavirus spreads across refugee camps and countries suffering conflict. You can donate at cafod.org.uk/coronavirus to help CAFOD scale up its coronavirus response through our global Church family, or use CAFOD's Summer of Hope fundraising ideas with your family and friends to transform lockdown and raise money for the appeal: cafod.org.uk/summerofhope.

ECUMENICAL CREATION CELEBRATION/PICNIC - Sunday 6 September at 3.00pm

In the spirit of Pope Francis' Encyclical 'Laudato Si' the CAFOD group wish to invite you to this outdoor event in a private garden. There will be a celebratory liturgy followed by picnic. Please bring your own chairs/picnic mat and refreshments. Due to Covid 19 restrictions numbers will be strictly limited, so please apply in advance by phone 07789 741900/01527 872300 or email ingeva@btinternet.com

Saints for the Week ...

Monday

Blessed Robert Sutton, Priest, Martyr

(1588) Blessed Robert Sutton was born at Burton-on-Trent in 1547. As a clergyman of the Established Church he was Rector of Lutterworth. He was converted to Catholicism through the influence of his younger brother and they were ordained as priests with a third brother. He was arrested in Stafford in 1588 and executed there.

Wednesday

Saint Martha

Our Lord liked the home of St Martha, her brother Lazarus, and her sister Mary. As our Lord's friends in Bethany, they took loving care of Him.

Thursday

Saint Peter Chrysologus, Bishop, Doctor of the Church

(Fifth Century) As Bishop of Ravenna, Italy, he was outstanding in his apostolic zeal, for his preaching and his writings.

Friday

Saint Ignatius Loyola, Priest

(1491-1556) Born in Loyola, Spain, he became a soldier. Following his conversion, he went to Paris to study theology. There he gathered his first followers. With them he founded the Society of Jesus in Rome, which is dedicated to the greater glory of God and to the service of the Church, in total obedience to the Pope.

Saturday

Saint Alphonsus Mary de'Liguori, Bishop, Doctor of the Church

(1696-1787) St Alphonsus was born in Naples, Italy. As a young man he was a lawyer, but later became a priest. He founded the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer (Redemptorists). He was given the title Doctor of the Church for his writings on Moral Theology. A tireless apostle of the Eucharist and of our Blessed Mother, he worked with great zeal for the poor and the sick.

Mass Intentions ...

Due to Covid 19 and the lockdown, your clergy are now running very low on Mass Intentions and are at the moment relying on the Galton Trust Masses. If you would like to book a Mass you can phone the parish office on 01527 63096 and arrange it, put your stipend in an envelope and post it through the letterbox or you can call at the parish office as before (social distancing restrictions etc are in place) where someone will be able to help you.

Vacancy for Safeguarding Advisor—Full time (35 hrs per week) Permanent, £30,750 to £35,875 pa.

The Birmingham Diocesan Trust (BDT) wishes to appoint an experienced and qualified social worker or an alternatively qualified professional with multiagency safeguarding experience to its Safeguarding Team. As a Safeguarding Advisor you will, along with the Head of Safeguarding and other colleagues, be responsible for providing effective safeguarding advice and training across the Archdiocese of Birmingham.

For an informal discussion about this role please call Alan Hassall, Head of Safeguarding on 0121 230 6275.

Please email gerry.dryden@rc-birmingham.org for a copy of the job description and details on how to apply for this role.

Interviews are likely to take place late August or early September. Closing date for application is Noon Monday 10 August 2020.

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

We received a phone call from Dorothy Terry Care Home on Thursday asking us to inform people that the Prayer Meetings on the 1st Monday & Wednesday of the month are cancelled.

Collections and Donations

If you prefer not to use the donate button on the home page of the diocesan website, www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk, cheques made out to Mount Carmel Church, GA envelopes or Cash can be dropped into the Presbytery, the Parish Office or through the letterbox. Thank you for yo

We thank you all for your continued support.