



OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL, REDDITCH

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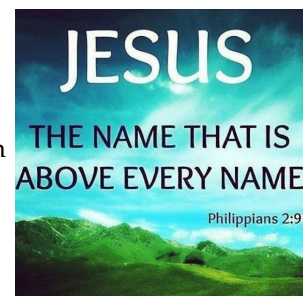
Permanent Deacon: Revd Des Chilton

NEWSLETTER 1935 TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR A 27TH SEPTEMBER 2020

Readings Ezekiel 18:25-28, Psalm 24, Philippians 2:1-11, (Phil 2:1-5), Gospel Matthew 21:28-32

Reflection

The message that's highlighted in today's readings is the importance of doing God's will. So important is it, in fact, that mention is made of it four times. The sinner does it in Ezekiel, when he becomes law abiding and honest. The first son does it in the Gospel, when he repents of his initial refusal and goes to work in the vineyard. The tax collectors and prostitutes likewise confirm, when, unlike the chief priest and elders, they respond to the Baptist's preaching and truly repent of their sins. Jesus does it in Philippians, of course, when he embraces the human condition and offers himself in agony on the cross. His, in the fullness of his generosity, is the greatest example of all. 'Jesus Christ, who, being in the form of God, did not count equality with God but he emptied himself, taking the form of a slave he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross.' (Philippians 2:6-8)



Congratulations to the children in the Parish First Holy Communion Class who are making their First Holy Communion this weekend and next at the 11am Saturday morning Mass— please keep them in your prayers.

New Government Guidelines

Revised Government restrictions due to Coronavirus come into force on Monday 28th September. There is no change to the arrangements for daily and Sunday Masses. The number for Funerals remains at 30 and Weddings will now be 15. For Baptisms and other services, the Government number is 6 - we are awaiting directives from the diocese, once received we will pass the information on to you.

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

Fr Hudson's Care Annual Collection

This weekend would have been the annual second collection for Fr Hudson's Care, but as we are not having second collections at the moment, there will be envelopes available in the porches for you to make a donation if you wish to do so. This is to support their mission of supporting vulnerable people across the Archdiocese of Birmingham. Fr Hudson's reaches out to people of all ages who need help, advice and support at times of adversity. Please give what you can to this worthy cause.

Mass Intentions

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A

Saturday	5pm	Margaret Hughes (a) & Patrick & Rosie Allen (a)
Sunday	8.15am	Michael & Antonina Bobowski (a) 9.45am (Polish) 11.15am Thanksgiving (Boyd) 6pm Hilary & Bob Powell
Monday	11am	Intentions of Ancy Thomas
Tuesday	NB 11.30am	Intentions of Bill & Pat Reardon & family
Wednesday	11am	Funeral Mass Sandra Manogue Family only attending Clergy Cannon Family
Thursday	11am	Ellen Hubbart
Friday	11am	Tony Gregory
Saturday	11am	First Holy Communion Mass (Parish Class) Family Members will be given priority at this Mass Clergy Michael & Winifred Conboy

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A

Saturday	5pm	Dennis Menezes
Sunday	8.15am	Carn Family 9.45am (Polish) 11.15am Rita Vaughn 6pm Ned Delaney

For the dead ... Your prayers are asked for **SANDRA MANOGUE** Funeral Mass 11am Wednesday 30th September in Mount Carmel. **LAURENCE HARBENDER** Funeral Service 11am Friday 9th October at the Abbey Chapel. 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, BERNARD BYRNE, JESSICA HINDSON**

Lamp at the Shrine of Our Lady

This week the lamp burns for the intentions of the **DURKAN FAMILY**
Next week in loving memory of **MICHAEL & WINIFRED CONBOY**

Lamp at the Shrine of the Sacred Heart

This week the lamp burns for the **SEASON OF CREATION** Next week in loving memory of **THOMAS & BRIDIE MEAGHER**

JOURNEY IN FAITH 2021 This will commence in January next year. If you know of anyone who is interested in becoming a Catholic or if you would like to know more about the Faith, please contact one of the priests or the parish office on 01527 63096.

The Pope's Prayer Intention for October The Laity's Mission in the Church :

We pray that by the virtue of baptism, the laity, especially women, may participate more in areas of responsibility in the Church.

Birmingham Justice & Peace Assembly 2020

The Climate Emergency : Listening to the 'Cry of the Earth & the Cry of the Poor'

This year the Assembly will take place ON LINE with 1 hour sessions over three evenings at 7.30pm—Monday 28th September, Wednesday 30th September, Friday 2nd October and culminating with an Evening Prayer with the participation of Archbishop Bernard Longley on Sunday 4th October at 7pm. For more information and to book visit <http://bit.ly/JPasssembly2020> or email bham.jandp@gmail.com

SEASON OF CREATION 1st September—4th October

Once again CAFOD is promoting the Novena to St Francis.

This can be found at : cafod.org.uk/Pray/Prayer-resources/Novena-to-St-Francis Parishioners are asked to take part in this Novena in solidarity with all those around the world praying, as Pope Francis has asked, for the care of our common home. Please commence the novena next Saturday 26th September so as to conclude it on the Feast of Saint Francis on 4th October.

More information can be found on the parish website at : <http://www.ourladyofmountcarmel.co.uk/cafod.html>

CAFOD Harvest Family Day 9th October

We have all felt the impact of the coronavirus—let's come together to help the poorest and most vulnerable people in the world SURVIVE, REBUILD AND HEAL. Please pray for all those affected and donate online at cafod.org/give or by using one of the envelopes available in church next weekend. These will be collected the following weekend 10/11 October. You can also give easily by text; text CAFOD to 70085 to donate £10.

Saints for the Week ...

Sunday	Day of Prayer in thanksgiving for the harvest
Monday	Saint Wenceslaus, Martyr or of Saints Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs <i>(907-930) St Wenceslaus was Duke of Bohemia. He assumed the leadership of his country in the year 925. After many trials in governing and evangelising his people, he suffered martyrdom at the hands of his brother. In the seventeenth century, Lorenzo Ruiz and his companions shed their blood for Christ in Nagasaki, Japan. These martyrs were members of the Order of Saint Dominic. There were nine priests, two religious, two sisters, and three laymen. Among the latter was Lorenzo Ruiz, a family man from the Philippines. They abundantly sowed the seed of Christianity with the example of their life and death.</i>
Tuesday	Feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels
Wednesday	Saint Jerome, Priest, Doctor of the Church <i>(340-420) St Jerome was born in Dalmatia (present day Croatia). He studied in Rome where he was baptised. He chose monastic life, and went to Syria where he was ordained a priest. He went back to Rome as secretary to Pope Damasus, who commissioned him to revise the Latin text of the Bible. He went to Bethlehem to work on this project. His work is known as the Vulgate which the Church has adopted as the official version. He also wrote many other works, mostly commentaries on the books of the Bible.</i>
Thursday	Saint Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin, Doctor of the Church <i>St Therese was born at Alencon, France, in 1873. she personally petitioned the Holy See to enter the Carmelite monastery at Lisieux while still a teenager. She was outstanding for her humility, simplicity and confidence in God. She offered her life for the salvation of souls and for the Church. She died in 1897. she is the patron saint of France and the missions.</i>
Friday	Memorial of the Guardians Angels <i>This celebration was placed in the Roman Calendar in 1615. Sacred Scripture is full of stories of angels coming to help Patriarchs and all. Each person has his or her Guardian Angel. Angels are God's messengers whose mission is to take care of us, to protect our way on earth, and to share with Christians the apostolic zeal to get souls closer to God. St Peter was liberated from gaol by an angel. Our Lord spoke of the angels of children who constantly behold His heavenly Father's face. Our Guardian Angels are our friends.</i>
Saturday	Saint Thomas Cantilupe, Bishop or of Our Lady on Saturday <i>St Thomas Cantilupe was born of a noble family and educated at Oxford. As a priest he lectured at Oxford University and served two terms as Chancellor of the University. In 1275 he became the bishop of Hereford.</i>

Vacancy at St Thomas More School for a Cleaner 3.15pm-5.45pm Monday-Friday 12.5 hrs per week please extra during Summer Break commencing 2nd November 2020. Term Time only £5,338 per annum. If interested please email tgration@stm.lourdesmac.org.uk for an application pack. Closing date Friday 2nd October at 12 noon

Churches together in Redditch invite you to join 24 hrs of prayers from 7pm Tuesday 6th October to 7pm on Wednesday 7th October. To sign up either ring John Hardy Prayer Representative on 01527 450444 between 7pm & 10pm and he will sign you up for a time of your choice or email redditchchurches@gmail.com for sign up link.

