



OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL, REDDITCH

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NEWSLETTER 2102 **FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER** 30TH APRIL 2023

Readings : Acts 2:14,36-41 Psalm 22 1 Peter 2:20-25 Gospel John 10:1-10

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Reflection for Fourth Sunday of Easter

The Liturgy of the Fourth Sunday of Easter presents to us one of the most beautiful images that has portrayed the Lord Jesus since the earliest centuries of the Church: the Good Shepherd. The flock's attitude to the Good Shepherd, Christ, is presented by the evangelist with two specific verbs: 'to listen' and 'to follow'. These terms suggest the fundamental characteristics of those who live out the following of the Lord. First of all by listening to his word, from which faith is born and by which it is nurtured. Only those who are attentive to the Lord's voice can assess in their own conscience the right decisions for acting in accordance with God. Thus the following of Jesus derives from listening: we act as disciples only after hearing and inwardly accepting the Master's teachings in order to put them into practice every day. On this Sunday, therefore, it comes naturally to remember to God the pastors of the Church and those who are training to become pastors.

Pope Benedict XVI



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 30TH APRIL 2023

Saturday	5pm	Judy Reynolds & Frances Quigley
Sunday	8.15am	Kitty Fanning (a) 9.45am (Polish) 11.15am Poulouse (a)
	6pm	People of the Parish & Denis Duffy (live-streamed)
Monday	6pm	Joy Varghese (a)
Tuesday	9.30am	Kath McLoughlin & Pater McBennett (a)
Wednesday	9.30am	Norah Jones & Liam Pogue
Thursday	7pm	Peter McGoldrick
STA Sch	10am	Anne Curry
Friday	9.30am	Michelle Kirby & Gerard Malone
	6pm	Latin Mass Holy Souls
Saturday	9.30am	Caroline Jones
	5pm	Mick Russell & Eileen Mundy



Parish Rosary Prayer Group after Mass followed by Flame of Love of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Prayer Meeting

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT & CONFESSION Saturdays 10am—11am or by appointment

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 7TH MAY 2023

Sunday	8.15am	David Kelly & Lady Jeanne Hunt 9.45am (Polish) 11.15am People of the Parish & Mary Hallahan
	6pm	Michael Joseph O'Brien & Anna Marie O'Brien (live-streamed)

PLEASE NOTE : Mount Carmel 6pm Sunday Mass is now the Live Streamed Mass

Link : www.eventcast.uk/live (Please note : type the link into the browser on your computer, do not use a search engine)

For the Dead ...

Please pray for **LES CROW** Funeral Service 12.30pm Tuesday 2nd May at the Abbey Chapel. **FRANCIS 'FRANK' MCKEOWN** Funeral Service 10am Friday 5th May at the Abbey Chapel, **JOSIE MANDER** Funeral Mass 11am Tuesday 9th May, **JANETTE PRINCE** nee Tyrrell. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

For the Sick ...

Please pray for **FR TONY, BRIAN DIXON, KEN MCARDLE, CAROLINE & BOB HOLLAND, FRANCIS KEANEY, GAIL KAVANAGH, CHRISTINE MURRAY, JULIA HOPKINS, EDDIE & GERALDINE MCGROARTY, MARGARET GERAGHTY, ALICE CAIRNS, CARINA CHALK, ANNIE COX, JOHN HEATLEY, BRIDIE MCCONNELL, TRACEY HAWTHORN, DEACON DES CHILTON, DELIA BREE, JULIAN MCRANDAL, MARY MCGORMAN, JACKIE POOLY, ELIZABETH PEART, MICK O'CONNOR & MAYA MASON, FIONA EVANS, LEONARD ROSE, ANNIE CLEARY, JOHN J BURAK**



CORONATION CELEBRATION

12 NOON SUNDAY 7 MAY

IN PRESBYTERY GARDEN & PARISH HALL

Bar, BBQ, Tombola, Cake, Flower & Plant Stall

Children's Toy & Book Stall

Raffle tickets available, please take some home with you after Mass 1st prize £100 2nd Prize £50 plus other prizes

All proceeds towards refurbishment of the Parish Hall

Donations for the Raffle Prizes & Stalls would be gratefully received

1st Prize £100 (Received with thanks)

2nd Prize £50 (Received with thanks)

Spirits, wine, biscuits, chocolates

Also Bottles for the Tombola, Children's toys & books, unwanted Gifts, Plants & Cakes

(Bring to the parish office during the week or bring on the day)

If you are unable to attend, please consider making a donation—Thankyou

Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Mrs Jane Craig & Mrs Linda Gordon email:safeguardingOLMC@gmail

Lamp at the Shrine of Our Lady

This week in **THANKSGIVING (MARY BYRNE)**
Next week for **MARK & DORAN FAMILY (A)**

Lamp at the Shrine of the Sacred Heart

This week for the intentions of **MEGAN MOLONEY IN AUSTRALIA**
Next week for the **MARSDEN & FLYNN FAMILIES**



PRAYER FOR PEACE IN THE UKRAINE

Loving God, we pray for the people of Ukraine, 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 and for all the world. Amen. *Our Lady Queen of Peace, pray for us*

Saint for the week ...

Monday Saint Joseph the Worker

Tuesday Saint Athanasius, Bishop, Doctor of the Church

(295-373) St Athanasius, Bishop of Alexandria, Egypt, became the champion of the faith against Arianism at the Council of Nicea. He suffered persecution and was exiled for seventeen years for resisting compromise in essentials of the Faith. He wrote many works on apologetics.

Wednesday Feast of Saints Philip and James, Apostles

Like St Peter and St Andrew, St Philip was from Bethsaida. He was crucified at Hierapolis in Phrygia, where he had preached the Gospel. He introduced St Bartholomew to Christ. Christ declared to St Philip, 'He that hath seen me, hath seen the Father I am in the Father and the Father is in me' (John 14:8-9)

St James was a cousin of Our Lord. He is called James the Less, to distinguish him from the other James. As Bishop of Jerusalem, he wrote one of the epistles of the New Testament. St James was thrown down the terrace of the Temple and then stoned to death. The names of Philip and James are mentioned in the Roman Canon.

Thursday Feast of the English Martyrs

This feast celebrates the many men and women who suffered for the Faith in England between 1535 and 1680 and have subsequently been recognised by the Church. These included priests, both secular and religious, as well as laity who were prepared to shelter them, to arrange secret Masses, and to witness the Faith. They came from all ages and backgrounds, and their heroic witness helps us have a greater love for the Church, the Mass and the Priesthood.

Pope's Prayer Intention for May—for Church movements and groups

We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelisation each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.

Birmingham Bishop new chair of CAFOD

Bishop Stephen Wright, one of our Archdiocese's Auxiliary Bishops, has been appointed the new chair of CAFOD's board of trustees. Bishop Stephen replaces John Arnold, Bishop of Salford, who is standing down after serving CAFOD for 13 years. Speaking about his new role bishop Stephen said: "*Pope Francis' call to care for our common home lies at the heart of CAFOD's work. Our Catholic Christian mission is to serve our sisters and brothers throughout the world who are in need, recognising this can only be achieved by caring for the environment too. May the Lord continue to bless this work.*"

Cafod/Laudato Si Group

All donations of tinned vegetables and meat are needed by the Food Bank in Redditch—please look in your cupboard for items you could donate or pick up a tin whilst you shop. The Foodbank Staff and Volunteers are really appreciative of our weekly donations. Thank you.

Right to Life Prayer for this week

Let us pray for all those who care for people with disabilities, including family members and professionals, that the Lord would revive their spirits and that they would get the necessary respite care they require to relieve body and mind. Lord hear us.

Archdiocese of Birmingham Pilgrimage to Walsingham Saturday 13 May 2023 Mass of the Immaculate Heart of Mary— Principal Celebrant Bishop David Evans

1.30pm Mass in the Chapel of Reconciliation followed by procession to the Priory Grounds for prayer at the site of the Holy House.

For further information please contact the pilgrim organiser Fr Philip Griffin on 01384 395308 or email olas.stourbridge@rcaob.org.uk

St Peter's Bromsgrove are organising a coach to go on the diocesan pilgrimage to Walsingham—the second most important pre-reformation shrine in England on Saturday 13 May. The cost is £25 per person leaving Bromsgrove at approximately 7am. There will be Mass, prayers and also time to visit the shrine shop and café. It's been a few years since parishioners travelled to the Shrine so this is a wonderful opportunity for us all. If you are interested, please contact John Smart on jsmart.sptr@gmail.com or 07875 507 104

COUNTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Team 2 J McHugh C Morgan A Chatterley

Please put mobile phones on
Silent when at Mass thankyou

PARISH SENIORS' GROUP

IN THE PARISH HALL

NEXT MEETING THURSDAY 4 MAY

KING CHARLES III CORONATION

1PM £5 PER PERSON

MAY 18TH

TRIP TO EVESHAM BLOSSOM TRAIL

LUNCH & EVESHAM COUNTRY PARK

£25 PER PERSON

JUNE 1ST

2.30PM TALK ON REDDITCH

FRIDAY JUNE 16TH

TRIP THREE COUNTIES SHOW

£36 PER PERSON

JUNE 29TH

2.30PM AFTERNOON TEA

Laudato Si/CAFOD Parish Group are looking for

members of the Polish community and Keralan Community to join them and represent their communities. They would need to have a reasonable knowledge of the English Language and have an interest in social justice. If interested or would like more information, please contact Susan Porter on 07789 741900

VACANCIES

Mount Carmel School requires ASAP Lunchtime Supervisor term time only 12.10pm-

1.15pm Mon-Fri Closing date Friday 28 April 3pm Please visit www.magnificat.org.uk/

vacancies for application form, all to be completed and returned to Mrs R Kennedy at

olmc-office@olmc.magnificat.org.uk

St Paul's School for Girls requires a Lay Chaplain/Chaplain Assistant

Please visit <http://www.bdes.org.uk/vacancies.html> for more information

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