

Statue Visitation for the Consecrated Life

Parishioners are invited to receive the statue of Our Lady for one week and place her with flowers and candles in a prominent position in the home. Each day you are committed to praying the rosary to which parishioners can be invited to join in if you so wish. If you would like to participate in this, please see one of the clergy or contact the parish office.

ROTA SO FAR

Sunday 2nd September 2018 Sarah Reynia
Sunday 9th September 2018 Ann Glennon
Sunday 16th September 2018 Caroline Holland
Sunday 23rd September 2018 Vincent Sampays
Sunday 30th September 2018 Linda Gordon

If your date is not convenient for you, please either swap with someone else or let the parish office know.

COULD YOU WELCOME THE STATUE OF OUR LADY INTO YOUR HOME? - YES? - PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE!

St Mary's Alvechurch Ecumenical Faith Group

On the third Wednesday of every month at 10.30 am – all welcome

THE SHRINES 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.



LIFE Care Service

Free National Helpline 0808 802 5433

If you wish to **contact the parish St Vincent de Paul group**, please telephone 07531 818731 (the SVP phone) and leave a message with your contact details so we can return your call.

"My house shall be called a house of prayer"

Please be sensitive to those who want to pray in silence before Mass. Before Mass **Talk to God** During Mass **Listen to God** After Mass **Talk to each other**

St Benedict's Social Club

Rowan Rd Batchley

Available for hire Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals and other occasions.

Telephone the Club on 01527 60345

BINGO Every Sunday 2.30pm & Monday 8pm

PLEASE do not leave bags of clothes in the church or bring them to the parish office. We will only accept what has been specifically asked for by the SVP Group.

Legion of Mary

Mondays 10am
Parish Centre
All welcome

Fellow Catholic Parishioners please come and join us

The Catenians - a Catholic men's association

'Strengthening family life through friendship and faith'

The Redditch Circle meets on the 3rd Thursday of every month at the Abbey Hotel and welcomes new members. For further information please contact Andrew Farrell on 07767831548 or Brian Green on 01527 543111

Mount Carmel Seniors Group

Thursdays at 2.30pm St Benedict's

13th September **Race Day**
20th September **Trip to Stratford-on-Avon & Boat Trip Coach leaving St Benedict's at 10am. There are a few places left, £15 non-members**
27th September **Seated Exercise**
4th October **Shared Table**
18th October **Trip**
25th October **Seated Exercise**
1st November **Christmas Arts & Crafts**
15th November **Christmas Bingo**
22nd November **Trip to Chatsworth House with Christmas Markets**

Beauty in Brokenness

A day for women to explore, share and celebrate their experience of differing Christian Traditions. This day has been organised by an ecumenical group of women in response to the growing national interest in Receptive Ecumenism. It is supported by Churches Together and the National Board of Catholic Women. **SATURDAY 15 SEPTEMBER 10.30am—4pm at the Bromsgrove Methodist Centre.**

Free (donations are invited towards the sandwich lunch which will be provided) For more information or to book please contact Jane Lavery on 07792 986056 or email lavery.jane@gmail.com

If Music be the Food of Love

A Journey through the musical history of the Harpsichord, from Sweelinck to Bach; performed by harpsichordist Jack Brookes.

Saturday 29th September at 7.45pm at the Palace Theatre. Tickets £11 available from the Box Office 01527 65203 or visit www.redditchpalacetheatre.co.uk.

Limited availability—buy early to avoid missing out!

TREE OF HOPE

The tree of hope is near the statue of St Therese for anyone who wishes to hang a leaf for their own particular petition or sorrow. Feel free to take a leaf and write a name or message on it to hang on the tree and spend sometime in prayer



OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL, REDDITCH

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The Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham: Registered Charity No.234216

Parish Clergy: Fr Anthony Rohan, Fr Craig Davies, Fr Jason Mahoney

Permanent Deacons: Revs Des Chilton & Peter Griffiths

NEWSLETTER 1829 **TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME** 9TH SEPTEMBER 2018 YEAR B

Parish Mass Book Page 64 Isaiah 35:4-7 Psalm 145 James 2:1-5 Gospel Mark 7:31-37

Thought for the day

How often do we bow down to those with riches or power and cultivate those of social stature! Yet James warns us we must treat everyone equally. Those whom the world honours already have their reward. The used and abused people of the world are the ones Christ will first befriend. We must actively support the dignity and rights of the poor and weak. God will reward us for this.

The Second Collection last weekend for the victims of the floods in Kerala raised £1120. Thank you for your generosity.

Parking

We have received a complaint from the police regarding parking in Beoley Rd West during the weekend Mass times. We ask, when parking, please give consideration to our neighbours and others by using the Church carpark wherever possible, only parking in Beoley Rd West when there are no spaces available in the Church carpark. All Mass times are scheduled so that the car park can be cleared before parishioners begin to arrive for the next Mass. When using the car park please park with consideration for others, do not block spaces and please do not leave your car in the Church car park following Mass to go shopping. This will aid in maximizing the parking spaces available. When there is no alternative to parking in Beoley Rd West, we are asked not to block dropped curbs on corners, these are provided for pavement access for the less able, wheelchairs and pushchairs. It is an offence to block them. If parking in Beoley Rd West is unavoidable, please ensure that emergency vehicles can safely pass, should the need arise. It is an offence to cause such an unnecessary obstruction.

Redditch Carmelite Spirituality Group

Saturday 16 September Speaker Martin Thompson (recently retired chaplain at HMP Hewell) whose talk is entitled 'Inside News' commencing at 12 noon. Refreshments from 11.15am. Lectio Divina prayer 1.15pm and shared lunch at 1.45pm. All welcome

Mount Carmel 500 Club Winners

1st Prize £140 No 233 James McNamara
2nd Prize £40 No 266 Cathy Kennedy
3rd Prize £20 No 63 Mary McGoldrick

Date for your diary

Fr Craig's Farewell Mass 7pm Friday 19th Oct

The Second Collection on **6th/7th October** is for Fr Craig



Journey in Faith
at Mount Carmel
Thursday Evenings

This year's Journey in Faith will begin on Thursday, September 13th with evening Mass at 7pm followed by a short introduction to the course and BBQ in the presbytery garden. The course is for people who are interested joining the Catholic Church and for anyone who is interested in finding out more about the Faith, so existing parishioners are also very welcome to attend. For more information, please contact one of the priests.

Safeguarding in the Archdiocese of B'ham

Archbishop Bernard Longley has commissioned a review of our current safeguarding/child protection practices in light of the National Catholic Policies and Procedures. This review is to be welcomed as a means of ensuring that our systems to protect our children and young people are as effective as possible. This review is being conducted by an independent charity called SCIE (Social Care Institute for Excellence). As part of the review, SCIE would like to speak with any individuals who have had experience with any safeguarding issues within the Archdiocese, and have experience of working with our parish representatives and the safeguarding team at the Archdiocese. Anyone who is impacted by abuse issues can contact the safeguarding team on 0121 230 6240 (emergency out of hours 07976 516629). **If you are able to contribute to this important review and share your experiences with SCIE then please contact Hugh.Constant @scie.org.uk or 020 7766 7374 or 07872 602207.**

Creationtide

This ecumenical season of prayer and contemplation on the care of God's creation runs from 1st Sept—4th Oct, the Feast of St Francis. There will be an ecumenical service at Mount Carmel on 26th September at 7pm. For more information contact Jim Quinn on 01527 402500

Mass Times & Intentions

Twenty-third Sunday of the Year, Year B

Week beginning Sunday 9th September 2018

Saturday

Mount Carmel	5.00 pm	Tim Herlihy (Wedd A)
Hadzor	5.00 pm	Kitty Fanning

Sunday

Mount Carmel	8.15 am	Giovanna & Vittorio Fusco & Special Intention
	9.45 am	Mass in Polish
	11.15 am	Weroniki & Michale Kufel (a)
	6.00 pm	Gerald Mullings (2nd A)
Alvechurch	9.45 am	People of the Parish
Feckenham	10.15 am	Jane Powell & Michael Murphy

Monday

Mount Carmel	9.10 am	Morning Prayer
	9.30 am	Jan Burak
St Thos More Sch	9.10 am	School Mass

Tuesday

Mount Carmel	9.10 am	Morning Prayer
	9.30 am	Con Ryan
		Trish Blundell
	5.00 pm	Reception of Body
		Reginald Brown
	6.00 pm	Latin Mass (EF)
		Fr Bernard Enright (a)
Mt Carmel Sch	9.20 am	School Mass
		Ints of Val Sifford

Wednesday

Mount Carmel	9.10 am	Morning Prayer
	9.30 am	Anna & John Karbi (a)
	2.15 pm	Funeral Mass
		Reginald Brown
	5.00 pm	Polish Mass

Thursday

Mount Carmel	9.10 am	Morning Prayer
	9.30 am	Dr P C Varghese (a)
	6.30 pm	Exposition
	7.00 pm	Christine Norton (b'day a)

Friday

Mount Carmel	9.10 am	Morning Prayer
	9.30 am	Julia Radford
		Kitty Fanning
	10.00 am	Stations of the Cross
	5.00 pm	Polish Mass
St Bede's Sch	2.15 pm	Year 5 Welcome Mass

Saturday

Mount Carmel	9.10 am	Morning Prayer
	9.30 am	William Hewitt

(The following fulfils Sunday Obligation)

Mount Carmel	5.00 pm	Paddy & Nellie Darcy (a)
Hadzor	5.00 pm	People of the Parish

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Week beginning Sunday 16th September 2018

Mount Carmel	8.15 am	In Thanksgiving (Heath)
	9.45 am	Mass in Polish
	11.15 am	Bridget Wynne (a)
	6.00 pm	Ellen Hubbard (a)
Alvechurch	9.45 am	Fr Dominic Round (a)
Feckenham	10.15 am	Derek Skinner

Confessions at Mount Carmel

During Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament followed by Benediction Saturdays 10-10.50am

On the 1st Saturday of the month the Rosary will be said after Divine Mercy Devotion

Tuesday Evenings 6.30pm-7pm

Parish Diary

Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

Psalter Week 3

6pm Churches together in Alvechurch & Rowney Green

Joint Service at Alvechurch Baptist Church

7.30pm AA Meeting in Parish Centre

Counters Team D

Monday

10am Legion of Mary in the Parish Centre
7pm Choir Practice resumes in church
7.30pm Narcotics Anonymous in Parish Centre

Tuesday

7pm AA Meeting in Parish Centre

Wednesday

6pm Aid to the Church in Need meeting in church

Thursday

Journey in Faith Introductory meeting followed by BBQ in presbytery garden

Friday

10am Stations of the Cross

Saturday

Tea & Coffee after 5pm Mass in the Parish Centre
Tea & Coffee after 5pm Hadzor in the Newmann Room
7pm Narcotics Anonymous in Parish Centre

Flowers Jane Craig & Monica Whitmore

Wedding 12 noon

Sunday

Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B
Psalter Week 4

7.30pm AA meeting in Parish Centre

Counters Team E

What's on

Friends of the Holy Land National Gathering

Saturday September 22nd 10.30am-4pm in the Parish Centre, St Francis of Assisi, Kenilworth CV8 1HL

Attendance is free and lunch is provided. To reserve your place contact the FHL Office 01926 512980 or email of-
fice@friendsoftheholylan.org.uk. For more information visit
www.friendsoftheholylan.org.uk

SAINTS & FEASTS FOR THE WEEK ...

Monday

Blessed Agnellus of Pisa or of **Saint Egwin**

(1194-1236) Blessed Agnellus was born at Pisa, Italy, and received by St Francis himself among the Friars Minor and sent by him to open a house in Paris. He was later appointed by St Francis the first Provincial of the order in England. Agnellus arrived at Dover in 1224 and founded houses at Canterbury and Oxford. He worked also for some time in London. At Oxford he established a school which became famous, and it was in this city he died. His cult was confirmed in 1892.

(717) The foundation of the abbey at Evesham is attributed to an eighth century Bishop of Worcester called Egwin.

Tuesday

Fr Dominic Round Anniversary

Wednesday

Most Holy Name of Mary

Thursday

Saint John Chrysostom

(349-407) St John was born in Antioch, he was a great genius, whose powerful eloquence earned him the name Chrysostom, 'the golden mouthed'. He entered monastic life and then became a priest. As Archbishop of Constantinople, he distinguished himself for his preaching and his abundant writings about Catholic doctrine and Christian life. He died in exile.

Friday

Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Saturday

Our Lady of Sorrows

WEEKLY STATISTICS

Weekend of 1/2 September 2018

1st Collection £716.87

2nd Collection £1120.88 (Kerala Floods)

Mass attendance 668 (does not include Polish count)

These figures do not include Standing Orders

Tabor House

Can you help us give someone a warm, safe place to start over? Tabor House is Birmingham's only permanent night shelter and is looking for volunteers. You could help as a hospitality volunteer, shift leader or volunteer mentor. To show your interest, please call Christy Acton on 07464 928691

Interested in learning about your Faith?

Discover the Ecclesiastical Bachelor of Divinity!

Enrolling at Maryvale Institute for Autumn 2018

Join us for our Autumn Open Day Saturday 15th September

Email headmin@maryvale.ac.uk for further information

A Pilgrimage of the Sick

Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes, Hednesford

Sunday 16th September led by Bishop Byrne

2pm onwards, Gathering & chance to pray & light candles at the Shrine. (Parish Hall will be open for teas & coffees)

3pm Evening Prayer, Exposition, Homily and Anointing of the Sick. 3.50pm Afternoon Teas served in the Parish Hall. For more information, please contact Fr Jeremy Howard on 01543 422576 or lolol.hednesford@gmail.com

**The Parish Safeguarding Representatives are
Mrs Jane Craig & Mrs Linda Gordon**

Lamp at the Shrine of Our lady

This week the lamp burns in loving memory of **MICHAEL & ANTONINA BOBOWSKI** Next week the lamp burns for the intentions of the **BREE FAMILY**

Lamp at the Shrine of the Sacred Heart

This week the lamp burns for the **PEOPLE OF THE PARISH** next week **Free at the moment**

For the dead ...

Your prayers are asked for **REGINALD BROWN** Reception of Body 5pm Tuesday 11th September, Funeral Mass Wednesday 12th September at 2.15pm, **MOLLY MAYNE** Funeral Service at the Abbey Chapel, 9.30am Monday 17th September, **MARIE PARKER** Funeral Service Friday 21st September in the Abbey Chapel at 1.15pm. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Please pray for the sick...

Deacon Des, Carmel Fiolka, Fred & Pauline Clarke, Jane-Christina Thomson, Bob & Caroline Holland, Mick Halloran, Chris Figgett, Thomas Henry Burnside, Bridget Heatley, Brian & Devan Dixon, Brian Dixon Snr, Pat Conner, Margaret Daly, Maureen Reavey, Gregory Daniel, Maura Lee, Sean Harkin, Margaret Clarke, Anthony Obinna, Mary Hickey, Grazyna, Kazik & Krzys Juszkiwicz, Delia & Gerry Bree, Gino Belmonte, John Henry Birtle, Martin Twomey, Margaret Maddison, Fiona Short, Jane Elliott, James Daniel Durrant, Gillian Reeves, Biddy Smith, Christopher Carr, Christine Watson, Mark Yates, Josie Clarke, Stuart Pearson, Francis & Judith O'Hare, Eugene Kirk, Tom Nicholas, Julia Hopkins, Phil English, Gerry Crilly, Rae James, Jayne Spiers, Molly Barron, Betty Flahive, Mary Eve, Sylvia Burge, Paul Daly, Maureen Fowler, Lucy Martin, Emrys Hughes Candice Butcher, Teresa McGilloway, Charlie Gallagher

Congratulations

We welcome into God's family **ALEXANDER LEMANSKI & JACK JOSEPH PAUL LLOYD** baptised last Sunday at Mount Carmel

Baptism

To arrange for the baptism of your child/children you will need to contact the parish office on 01527 63096 or visit the parish website to find out when the next available Baptism Meeting is for you to attend. At this meeting you will be given the Baptism Form to take away with you for completion. Once completed please bring it with you to the parish office on a weekday morning between 10am—11am when one of the priests will be able to see you and book the date for baptism. Baptisms normally take place on a Sunday at 1pm in Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church. There is an administrative fee of £30 for Baptism which should be paid at the time of arranging the date.



1 baptize you in the name of the Father and the Holy Spirit

40 Days for LIFE

Kick off event 2pm Sunday 23 September

Victim of Rape, Victim of Abortion

Birmingham Oratory, Upper Cloister Room, 141 Hagley Road, B16 8UE For more information call Isabel on 07773 501721

Vigil outside Marie Stopes abortion centre, B'ham B15 2UL 8am-8pm daily (26 Sept-4 Nov) - For more info or book a prayer slot, contact Isabel on the above number or email izzyvs@gmail.com