

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 12th May 2019 Vera Whyte
Sunday 19th May 2019 Ann Glennon
Sunday 26th May 2019 Vincent Sampays
Sunday 2nd June 2019 Linda Gordon
Sunday 9th June 2019 Susan Salam

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**

Medjugorje Irish Centre Pilgrimages

7 nights B&B and Airport Shuttle Service from €279 per person. Book any flight—any time and we provide guaranteed airport shuttle service from Dubrovnik or Split. For further information or to book contact Jackie on 020 3239 8662 or email reservations@med-irishcentre.com, Jackie@med-irishcentre.com or visit www.med-irishcentre.com

THE SEASONS' ART CLASS

Next 14 week course starting soon at Bournheath Village Community Centre. Beginners to improvers, develop your skills and make new friends. Call 0121 649 0648 for details.

Newman University Open Days

Saturdays 10am-3pm, 15th June, 6th July & 12th October, Friday 8th November 4am-8pm

Register at www.newman.ac.uk/opendays

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, Batchley

May 23rd

Afternoon Tea 2pm start!

June 6th

Trading Standards talk on Scams

June 20th

Ascot Day

June 27th

Trip to Minehead

July 11th

Trip to Cheltenham, Steam Train & Broadway

Important—Parish Office Hours

The office will be open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday as normal, but **closed on Wednesdays**, except for sick calls and funerals

Mount Carmel 500 Club—Important

Many thanks to those of you who renewed your subscriptions and to those who have taken out an extra number or have subscribed for the first time. The prize money for now will reduce to £170 and will be divided up into two winners a month — **1st Prize will be £120 and 2nd Prize will be £50.**

PILGRIMAGE to WALSINGHAM

10th-13th September going from Stourport-on-Severn £280 Half Board for three nights. If interested please contact Fr Richard Sharples on 01299 822633

PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

14th-18th September £599 per person sharing, single room supplement £100. Price includes flight with 10kg hand luggage from Manchester or Liverpool, 4 nights in Knock House Hotel full board Contact Patricia on 01268 762278 or 07740 175557, or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com

New Dawn in the Church—a Catholic Family Pilgrimage Conference Monday 5th-Friday 9th August at Walsingham—for more information & registration visit newdawn.org.uk or email registration@newdawn.org.uk

Piano & Organ Tuition

- Offering tuition in the Redditch, Bromsgrove, Droitwich and Worcester area
- Beginners through to Advanced
- Classically trained with years of teaching and performance experience
- Call Hannah Gibson on 07476 372311 or email hannah.gibson1991@gmail.com

(Hannah is our resident organist for Sunday, funeral, wedding & choir)



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 Jason Mahoney

Permanent Deacons: Revs Des Chilton & Peter Griffiths

NEWSLETTER 1865 FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 19TH MAY 2019 YEAR C

Parish Mass Book Page 128 Acts 14:21-27 Psalm 144 Apocalypse 21:1-5 Gospel John 13:31-35

Reflection for today...

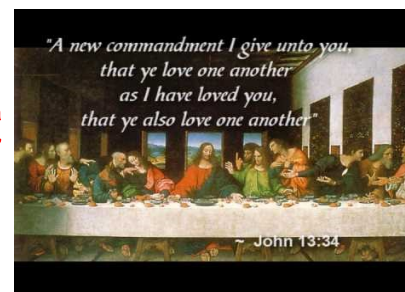
I, John, saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God'. The splendid vision of the heavenly Jerusalem, which today's Liturgy of the Word presents to us again, closes the Book of Revelation and the whole series of sacred books which comprise the Bible. With this magnificent description of the City of God, the author of Revelation indicates the definitive defeat of evil and the achievement of perfect communion between God and men. From the beginning, the history of salvation aims at this goal. Before the community of believers, who are also called to proclaim the Gospel and to witness to their own faith in Christ amid various trials, the supreme goal shines forth: the heavenly Jerusalem! We are all advancing towards that goal, where the saints and martyrs have preceded us down the centuries. On our earthly pilgrimage, these brethren of ours, who have passed victoriously through 'great tribulations', serve as an example, incentive and encouragement to us.

(Blessed Pope John Paul II)

Birmingham Carmelite Third Order

Canon John Udris, the lead spiritual director at Oscott Seminary, will give a talk on Saint Therese of Lisieux in the Masterson Room at St Chad's Cathedral on Saturday, 1st June at 1pm. Canon John has written 'Holy Daring: The Fearless Trust of St Therese' in which he tries to get beyond the sometimes sugary presentation of St Therese. You are invited to join the Birmingham Carmelite third Order in attending the talk. Entrance is free and all are welcome.

Please note: Mass on Tuesday evening is at 7pm



Mount Carmel Summer Fete/ Family Fun Day Sunday 9 June 12 noon—3pm in the presbytery garden

Urgent Appeal for

Grand Raffle Prizes including donations for cash prizes (£200, £100 & £50) - all contributions greatly appreciated

Plus donations for the following stalls—bric-a-brac/ gifts, **children's** books & toys, cuddly toys, cakes/ groceries, bottles for tombola.

Please can donations for the fete be brought to Mount Carmel/St Mary's/St John Fisher & St Thomas More asap

Raffle Tickets available from the back of church and the side porches—please take some home with you!

Do come along on the 9 June to support this important fundraising & social event!

Meeting for ALL stall Holders and helpers on **TUESDAY 4 JUNE** at 6.30pm in the presbytery.

It is important that stall holders/helpers attend this last meeting before the Fete to ensure there is adequate cover on the day etc. If you are unable to attend, contact Rose on 01527 457408 or Frances on 01527 523968

Latin Mass (EF)

As from the First Friday in June, the monthly Latin Mass (EF) will be celebrated on a Friday evening at 6pm instead of a Tuesday.

Mass Times & Intentions

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Week beginning Sunday 19th May 2019

Saturday

Mount Carmel	5.00 pm	Ints of Parish Clergy & Deacons
Hadzor	5.00 pm	People of the Parish

Sunday

Mount Carmel	8.15 am	In Thanksgiving (Heath)
	9.45 am	Mass in Polish
	11.15 am	Thanksgiving for children (Monica)
	6.00 pm	Ints of Katarina Phillips & family
Alvechurch	9.45 am	James Friel
Feckenham	10.15 am	Molly Spear & Bill Cosgriff (a)

Monday

Mount Carmel	9.10 am	Morning Prayer
	9.30 am	Michael Lee

Tuesday

Mount Carmel	9.10 am	Morning Prayer
	9.30 am	Ints of Richard Donovan & family
	6.00 pm	STM FHC Reconciliation Followed by Mass
	7.00 pm	Nora Morrissey (b'day a)
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Wednesday

Mount Carmel	9.10 am	Morning Prayer
	9.30 am	Frank Carr

Thursday

Mount Carmel	9.10 am	Morning Prayer
	9.30 am	Andy McGroarty
	6.30 pm	Exposition
	7.00 pm	Ints of Christine Conboy

Friday

Mount Carmel	9.10 am	NB No Morning Prayer
	9.30 am	STB's KS2 in church Richard & Robert Lee & Ints of Jenny Taylor
	11.00 am	STB's KS3 in church Holy Souls

Saturday

Mount Carmel	9.10 am	Morning Prayer
	9.30 am	Bobbie Ellicott

(The following fulfils Sunday Obligation)

Mount Carmel	5.00 pm	Val Fanning
Hadzor	5.00 pm	Frank McQuirk

Confessions at Mount Carmel

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

Tuesday Evenings 6.30pm-7pm

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

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Week beginning Sunday 26th May 2019

Mount Carmel	8.15 am	Ned Morrissey
	9.45 am	Mass in Polish
	11.15 am	John Battey
	6.00 pm	People of the Parish
Alvechurch	9.45 am	Ints of Maciej Grudzinski
Feckenham	10.15 am	Ints of Eileen Dawson (b'day)

Parish Diary

Fourth Sunday of Easter

7.30pm AA Meeting in Parish Centre

Counters Team D

Monday

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

Tuesday

5.45pm STM FHC Reconciliation NB Mass at 7pm
7pm AA Meeting in Parish Centre

Wednesday

6pm Parish FHC Class in church

Thursday

7.30pm Journey in Faith in Parish Centre

Saturday

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

Flowers Mary Laserna

Sunday

Fifth Sunday of Easter

7.30pm AA meeting in Parish Centre

Counters Team E

What's on

Alvechurch Churches Together

QUIZ at the Ark Friday 7th June at 7pm

with fish & chip supper £7—bring your own drink
Teams of 4, numbers must be given in advance to allow for catering. Tickets/info from Felicity 07812 336263, email felicityrixon@hotmail.com

PENTECOST ON THE GREEN

Sunday 9th June around St Stephen's Church in the town centre from 1pm

Free BBQ with meat and bread provided; bring your own extras, activities, Celebration Service at 2.30pm. Bring a chair or blanket.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER 29th-30th June (non residential weekend) at St Mary's on the Hill, Wednesbury, attendance is free with optional donation at the end of the weekend—contact Phil & Rita Jackson 0121 244 7762 or email wackojacko456@hotmail.com

SAINTS & FEASTS FOR THE WEEK ...

Monday

Saint Bernadine of Siena

(1380-1444) St Bernadine was born in the Republic of Siena (Italy). He entered the Franciscan Order and preached the name of Jesus to the people of Italy with great fervor. He won the conversion of many souls. He died during a preaching tour at Aquila, where he was buried.

Tuesday

Saints Christopher Magallanes and companions

This feast recalls the martyrdom of 2 priests and 3 laymen in Mexico between 1915 and 1937. These witnesses include St Christopher Magallanes (1869-1927) who as a priest, founded a seminary in his home town of Totatiche and ministered zealously in the face of persecution. He was heard to shout from his cell, 'I am innocent and I will die innocent. I forgive with all my heart those responsible for my death, and I ask God that the shedding of my blood serve the peace of our divided Mexico.'

Wednesday

Saint Rita of Cascia

(1381-1457) St Rita of Cascia was born near Spoleto and, despite wanting to enter religious life, spent nearly 22 years in a difficult marriage. After the deaths of her husband and two sons, she joined the Augustinian House in Cascia, Umbria. She is known as the 'saint of the impossible'.

Saturday

Saint Bede the Venerable

(635-735) St Bede was born in England. As a Benedictine Monk, he was, 'the most observant and the happiest of all monks'. His writings were full of sound doctrine so he was called 'Venerable' while still alive. He wrote commentaries on Holy Scripture and treatises on theology and history. He died at Jarrow, England..

St Augustine's Catholic High School & Sixth Form Centre

COVER SUPERVISOR ASAP to be responsible for students' learning and behaviour in the absence of a teacher or where a group of students need special attention. The Post is Permanent, Term Time only plus Inset Days. Salary TA Grade 3.

Our Lady of Lourdes Diocesan Shrine at Hednesford

50th Anniversary Pilgrimage

Saturday 6th July—7pm Youth Vigil

Sunday 7th July—12 noon

Procession, 1pm Hall open for refreshments, 2.15-3.45pm Confessions 3pm Public Rosary & Marian Hymns, 4pm Mass & Sacrament of the Sick Celebrant Archbishop Bernard Longley

Stories from the Holy Land

Kidderminster Deanery CAFOD Meeting

Friday 21 June, 7pm-8.30pm followed by a bring-and-share supper. Teas & coffees served from 6.45pm.

St Peter's Catholic Church Community Centre, Rock Hill, Bromsgrove B61 7LH. Step into the Gap volunteer, Caroline Collins, talks about her visit to the Holy Land to encounter CAFOD projects, partners & communities supported there. All very welcome. To book a place email ewignall@cafod.org.uk or ring 01922 722944

'World Youth Day at Home' is a weekend festival for 15-30 yr olds, featuring acclaimed musician Matt Maher and many more bringing the festivities of WYD in Panama to your doorstep! It's **7th-9th June at Alton Castle**. Tickets for the weekend start from just £65 incl.coach transport. For more information email Stephen.harris@kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk.

Lamp at the Shrine of Our Lady

This week the lamp burns for the intentions of **CHRISTINE CONBOY (BIRTHDAY) ...** Next week the lamp burns in loving memory of **MICHAEL & ANTONINA BOBOWSKI**

Lamp at the Shrine of the Sacred Heart

This week the lamp burns in loving memory of **LIZ MUNNERLEY (ANNIVERSARY) ...** Next week ... **FREE AT THE MOMENT**

For the dead ...

Your prayers are asked for **JOHN FINNEGAN**

Reception of Body Thursday 6th June at 5pm, Funeral

Mass Friday 7th June at 12 noon, **MARIE TAYLOR**

Funeral Mass Friday 14th June at 11am, **BETTY FLAHIVE** late of Redditch, relative of parishioner

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 Chilton, Carmel Fiolka, Pauline Clarke, Jane-Christina Thomson, Bob & Caroline Holland, Mick Halloran, Chris Figgett, Thomas Henry Burnside, Bridget Heatley, Brian & Devan Dixon, Pat Conner, Margaret Daly, Maureen Reavey, Gregory Daniel, Maura Lee, Sean Harkin, Margaret Clarke, Anthony Obinna, Mary Hickey, Grazyna, Kazik & Krzys Juzskiewicz, Delia & Gerry Bree, Gino Belmonte, John Henry Birtle, Martin Twomey, Margaret Maddison, Fiona Short, Jane Elliott, James Daniel Durrant, Gillian Reeves, Christopher Carr, Christine Watson, Mark Yates, Josie Clarke, Stuart Pearson, Francis & Judith O'Hare, Eugene Kirk, Julia Hopkins, Phil English, Gerry Crilly, Rae James, Jayne Spiers, Mary Eve, Sylvia Burge, Maureen Fowler, Emrys Hughes, Candice Butcher, Charlie Gallagher, John Kilker, Charlie McColgan, Judy Mitten, John Coleman, Kerry Haycock, Anne Morton, Carol Bullimore, Emma Martin

Congratulations

We welcome into God's family **IVO MAREK & INEZ SYLWIA TRELLA, ROSALIE WATERFIELD** baptised last weekend at Mount Carmel

BCYS Summer Camp

Week 1 August 4th-8th or Week 2 August 11th-15th

'Summer Camp offers teenagers a faith filled week of fun in which their relationship with Jesus is enlivened through engaging talks, praise and worship, the celebration of the sacraments and the nurturing of Christian friendship. This would be an ideal week of formation in faith for our Altar

WEEKLY STATISTICS

Weekend of 11/12 May 2019

1st Collection £890.49

2nd Collection £414.78

Mass attendance 715

(does not include Polish count)

These figures do not include Standing Orders

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

Servers' Fr Michael Dolman—Visit the BCYS website

