

## 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 16th June 2019 St Augustine's School  
Sunday 23rd June 2019 Vera Whyte  
Sunday 30th June 2019 Ann Glennon  
Sunday 7th July 2019 Vincent Sampays  
Sunday 14th July 2019 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**

## 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](http://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

July 4th Planning Meeting  
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.**

## Come along to Redditch Library's FREE English Conversational Group

Saturdays at 11am Practice your English for free in a welcoming & casual group. No formal teaching, exams or homework. For more information email [gtroth@worcestershire.gov.uk](mailto:gtroth@worcestershire.gov.uk).

## 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](mailto:knockpilgrimages@gmail.com)

## 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 Servers'* Fr Michael Dolman—Visit the BCYS website

## 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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Parish Clergy: Fr Anthony Rohan, Fr Jason Mahoney

Permanent Deacons: Revs Des Chilton & Peter Griffiths

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Parish Mass Book Page 106 Acts 12:1-11 Psalm 33 2 Timothy 4:6-8.17-18 Gospel Matthew 16:13-19

## Gospel Reflection .....

In their great wealth, the biblical texts of this Eucharistic Liturgy on the Solemnity of the Holy Apostles Peter and Paul highlight a theme that could be summed up in these words: God is close to his faithful servants and delivers them from all evil and delivers the Church from negative powers. It is the theme of the Church's freedom, that presents an historical aspect and another that is more profoundly spiritual. We see that Jesus' promise 'the powers of death shall not prevail against; the Church does indeed include the historical experiences of persecution that Peter and Paul and other gospel witnesses suffered, but goes beyond them, with the intention of assuring protection, especially from threats of a spiritual kind. Therefore a guarantee exists of the freedom that God assures the Church, freedom both from material ties that seek to prevent or to coerce her mission and from spiritual and moral evils that can tarnish her authenticity and credibility.

Pope Benedict XVI

## Keralan Feast Day

Next Saturday is the Keralan Feast Day for their patron, Saint Thomas, Mass is at 11.30am in Mount Carmel Church and everyone is welcome to attend the celebration.

## Aid to the Church in Need Cake Sale

Our ACN group are holding a cake sale to raise money for persecuted Christians around the world after all Masses on the weekend of 13th/14th July. Any volunteers to make cakes please contact: Andrew Farrell on mobile 07767 831548.

## Stations of the Cross

This will resume on Friday 5th July after the 9.30am Mass.

## The Parish Safeguarding Representatives are

Mrs Jane Craig & Mrs Linda Gordon

Email: [safeguardingOLMC@gmail.com](mailto:safeguardingOLMC@gmail.com)



## Saint Peter & Saint Paul Martyrs

We celebrate the Feast of the princes of the apostles, from whom we derive our Christian faith. The Lord stood by them and gave them power, so that through them the whole message might be proclaimed for all the world to hear.

## A date for your diary .....

### Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Tuesday 16th July at 6.30pm

followed by a reception in the Marquee in the garden. This year we welcome Fathers Tony Joyce & Sandy Brown back to the parish to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of their Ordination to the priesthood.

## Whistleblowing Policy

The Archdiocese of Birmingham has launched a new Whistleblowing Policy. This policy aims to help individuals to raise with confidence and without having to worry about being victimized, discriminated against or disadvantaged in any way as a result of any serious concerns (including safeguarding issues) they have about post-holders, colleagues, their employer, or with how the Trust operates. Find the policy at: <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/policies>

The Diocese is also a member of Protect, formerly Public concern at Work—who are leading experts in whistleblowing, visit <https://protect-advice.org.uk/>

## Parish SVP need ....

Any hairdressers who are able to give some of their time to come to the Homeless BBQ on 13th July and attend to any who would like their hair cut.

Assorted toiletries (200ml size) for the Homeless BBQ on 13th July—please bring to the parish office

## Mass Times & Intentions

### Solemnity of Saints Peter & Paul

Week beginning Sunday 30th June 2019

#### Saturday

Mount Carmel	5.00 pm	Tom Casey (a)
Hadzor	5.00 pm	Carol Gardner

#### Sunday

Mount Carmel	8.15 am	Ann Mullen
	9.45 am	Mass in Polish
	11.15 am	Paddy Gourley (a) MCS 'Going Forth' Mass
	6.00 pm	Paily
Alvechurch	9.45 am	George, Valerie, Paddy & Peter Higgins
Feckenham	10.15 am	People of the Parish

#### Monday

Mount Carmel	9.10 am	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
	9.30 am	Jimmy Manners (a)

#### Tuesday

Mount Carmel	9.10 am	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
	9.30 am	Paddy & May Jo Loftus (a)
	6.00 pm	Mary Deady
Mt Carmel Sch	9.20 am	Ints of Eddie McGroarty

#### Wednesday

Mount Carmel	9.10 am	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
	9.30 am	Bronislawa & Wojciech Slobodzian (a) Ints of Nimisha Reji (13th b'day)

#### Thursday

Mount Carmel	9.10 am	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
	9.30 am	Ints of Aidan & Anne Glennon
	12 noon	Funeral Mass Christine Crockett
	6.30 pm	Exposition
	7.00 pm	Diane Curry

#### Friday

Mount Carmel	9.10 am	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
	9.30 am	Fineen O'Driscoll (b'day a)
	6.00 pm	Latin Mass (EF) Holy Souls
St Bede's Sch	2.15 pm	Altar Servers' Mass

#### Saturday

Mount Carmel	9.10 am	<i>Morning Prayer</i>
	9.30 am	Caroline Jones
	11.30 am	Keralan Feast Day Mass

(The following fulfils Sunday Obligation)

Mount Carmel	5.00 pm	Bridie Meagher (a)
Hadzor	5.00 pm	People of the Parish

### Confessions at Mount Carmel

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

#### Tuesday Evenings 6.30pm-7pm

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

## Fourteenth Sunday of the Year C

Week beginning Sunday 7th July 2019

Mount Carmel	8.15 am	Eileen & James Herlihy (b'day a)
	9.45 am	Mass in Polish
	11.15 am	Gavin Brennan
	6.00 pm	Lester Davis
Alvechurch	9.45 am	Sandra Richardson
Feckenham	10.15 am	Teresa Newman

### Parish Diary ....

#### Solemnity of Saints Peter & Paul

7.30pm AA Meeting in Parish Centre

#### Counters Team C

#### Monday

7pm Choir Practice in church  
7.30pm Narcotics Anonymous in Parish Centre

#### Tuesday

6.30pm Aid to the Church in Need Prayer Meeting after Mass (Rosary & Exposition for Persecuted Christians)  
7pm AA Meeting in Parish Centre

#### Wednesday

6pm Parish FHC Class Celebration in Presbytery Garden  
7pm STA Choirathon in Mount Carmel Church

#### Friday

7pm Redditch Catholic Fellowship Social at St Benedict's

#### 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 Keralan Feast Day Flowers

#### Sunday

7.30pm AA meeting in Parish Centre

#### Counters Team D

### What's on .....

#### 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

#### Women of the Diocese Day of Recollection at St Chad's

Cathedral, Grimshaw Room, Birmingham B4 6U **Saturday 27 July 10.30-4pm.** Mass at 4.30pm with Celebrant Mgr Tim Menezes. A day for women of all ages—Guest Speakers Marie Fahy & Bridie Spicer. Please bring a packed lunch, refreshments provided. All welcome to join in the Mass, however please pre-book your place for the recollection. Contact Suzanne O'Malley either by phone on 07557 870907 or email threeparishespartnership@gmail.com

#### Arrow Vale singers present An Evening of Songs from Stage & Screen

Saturday 6th July 7.30pm in Webheath Village Hall B97 5SQ Tickets £8 available from Helen 07802 598309, David Cruise 01527 4507565 or email arrowvalesingers@gmail.com or pay on the door

## SAINTS & FEASTS FOR THE WEEK ...

#### Sunday

#### Monday

**Solemnity of Saints Peter & Paul  
Saint Oliver Plunkett**  
(1629-1681) St Oliver Plunkett was ordained a priest in 1654 after studying at the Irish College, Rome. He stayed on in Rome as a professor and a representative of the Irish bishops. In 1669 he was appointed Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of All Ireland. He did much to reorganize and strengthen the Irish church, despite being forced into hiding for much of his episcopate. He was arrested in 1679 at the time of the Popish Plot, he was hanged, drawn and quartered in London on 1 July 1681, the last Catholic martyr to suffer in England.

#### Wednesday

**Feast of Saint Thomas**  
Among the apostles, St Thomas is remembered mainly because of his doubts about the resurrection of Christ. He did not want to admit anything that went beyond the bounds of his experience and reason. Eight days later he made up for that unbelief with a profession of faith, "My Lord and my God." (Jn 14:5-6) According to tradition, he preached the Gospel in India where he suffered martyrdom.

#### Thursday

**Saint Elizabeth of Portugal**  
(1271-1336) She was the daughter of King Peter III of Aragon was named after her great aunt, St Elizabeth of Hungary, whose virtues she also inherited. In her married life with King Dennis of Portugal, she endured trials with heroism. On more than one occasion she went to considerable pains to bring peace between her children and their father. After her husband's death she became a Franciscan Tertiary and showed unflinching charity towards the poor.

#### Friday

**Saint Modwen  
Blessed George Nichols & Richard Yaxley (Priests) & Thomas Belson & Humphrey Pritchard, (Laymen)  
Saint Anthony Mary Zaccaria**

St Modwen was a member of a group of Irish hermits who brought the gospel to the Anglo Saxons during the 7th century. She established a monastery at Burton upon Trent. (c1550-1589) Blessed George Nicholas was ordained a priest in 1593 in Rheims. He was arrested in Oxford with several companions, and they were accused of treason. They suffered terrible torture and were executed in Oxford in 1589.

(1502-1539) Born in Cremona, Italy, St Anthony Zaccaria organized the group called Clerks Regular of St Paul, and termed Barnabites who worked for the reform of customs and for the renewal of clergy and laity. He was a zealous and untiring preacher who completely wore himself out in his work. He was only 36 years old when he died.

#### Saturday

**Saint Maria Goretti**  
(1890-1902) She was born near Ancona, Italy. The daughter of a poor peasant family, St Maria was well known to her neighbours for her cheerfulness and piety. When she was twelve she became a victim of aggression. She preferred to die rather than to lose her virginity.

### GRAND RAFFLE WINNERS unclaimed

5th Prize Rosamore Brut Ticket No 01486 Joe O'Gorman  
6th Prize Winking Owl (Red Wine) Ticket No 00967 Eileen Gibbon  
10th Prize Sauvignon (Gift Wrapped) Ticket No 00365 Len Miele  
11th Prize Spanish Red (El Valin Godello Bierzo Ticket No 00740 E Baker  
12th Prize Brancott Est.NZ Pinot Grigio Ticket No 00126 Fletcher  
16th Prize Milk Moments Chocs Ticket No 01886 Ashmy Jacob  
**Archery** : Adult George (Picnic Basket)

## Lamp at the Shrine of Our Lady

This week the lamp burns in loving memory of **REARDON & DURR FAMILIES ...** Next week the lamp burns for a **SPECIAL INTENTION**

## Lamp at the Shrine of the Sacred Heart

This week the lamp burns in loving memory of **TERESA O'MEARA (ANNIVERSARY 12TH JUNE) ...** Next week in loving memory of **ANASTASIA PURCELL (ANNIVERSARY 24TH JUNE)**

### For the dead ...

Your prayers are asked for **CHRISTINE CROCKETT** Funeral Mass Thursday 4th July at 12 noon, **MARY MABEL PIFF** Funeral Service 11am Thursday 11th July at the Abbey Chapel, **BERNARD TRACEY** Funeral Mass Monday 15th July at 9am (Morning Mass will follow at 10am) **MALVINA MIKIJALAJEWICZ** Funeral Mass Wednesday 17th July at 12 noon, **MARIA WIGGETT** Funeral Service 2pm Friday 19th July at the Abbey Chapel, **MICHAEL LAMB, MICHAEL O'HARA** relative of Bernard O'Hara. May her soul 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 Figgitt, 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, 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, Carol Bullimore, Emma Martin

### Congratulations .....

We welcome into God's family **MILLIE LOUISE GRUBHAM** baptised last weekend at Mount Carmel

### Vacancy at CAFOD

CAFOD is looking for a new staff member to work with volunteers in our parishes and schools around the Archdiocese, based in Walsall but with flexibility. Full time, permanent. Please visit [cafod.org.uk/jobs](http://cafod.org.uk/jobs) for details. Closing date for applications is Monday 1st July.

### VACANCY AT ST AUGUSTINE'S

Teacher of Food Technology (Maternity Cover) required from 4th November 2910. Fixed Term Contract until 10th July 2020. Closing date for application 3pm Friday 5th July. For further details contact Clare Jack on 01527 550400 or visit [www.st-augustines.worcs.sch.uk](http://www.st-augustines.worcs.sch.uk)

### WEEKLY STATISTICS

Weekend of 22/23 June 2019  
1st Collection £877.28  
2nd Collection £613.28  
Mass attendance 1101  
(does not include Polish count)  
These figures do not include Standing Orders

