

## 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 1st September 2019 Vera Whyte  
Sunday 8th September 2019 Ann Glennon  
Sunday 15th September 2019 St Augustine's  
Sunday 22nd September 2019 Vincent Sampays  
Sunday 29th September 2019 Linda Gordon  
Sunday 6th October 2019 St Bede's School

**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

### 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, 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

19th Sept Talk 'Message in a bottle'  
24th Sept (Tuesday) Trip to Morton Market & Bourton on the Water (Places available)

3rd Oct Seated Exercise  
9th Oct 2pm Harvest Service at Mt Carmel School for Seniors

17th Oct Tony Senior's Picture Show  
24th Oct 1940's Day  
7th Nov Bingo  
21st Nov Christmas Crafts  
28th Nov Trip to Christmas Market

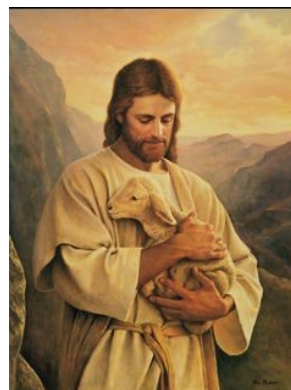
### Come along to Redditch Library's FREE English Conversational Group

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.

### 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

The Lost Sheep Luke 15:1-10



### Legion of Mary

Mondays 10am Parish Centre All welcome



## 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 1881 TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR 15TH SEPTEMBER 2019 YEAR C

Parish Mass Book Page 66 Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14 Psalm 50 1 Timothy 1:12-17 Gospel Luke 15:1-32

Second Collection this Sunday is for

Home Mission Sunday

Three dates for your diary ...

Rearranged Autumn Fayre Meeting

7pm Tuesday 17 September in Presbytery

Autumn Fayre

Saturday 9 November at St Bedes

Parish Council AGM to parishioners

after 5pm Mass Saturday 19 October

### Journey in Faith

This year's Journey in Faith course began last Thursday but it's not too late to join, The actual first session begins next Thursday, 19th Sep-

tember. The course is for people who are interested in joining the Catholic Church and for anyone who wishes to find out more about the Faith, so parishioners are also very welcome to attend. For more information, please contact one of the priests.



### Aid to the Church in Need

First Tuesday after 6pm Mass Holy Rosary & Exposition for Persecuted Christians—all welcome At their next meeting, Tuesday 1st October, Dee the Midland Co-Ordinator will be giving a 40 minute talk after the Rosary—all welcome to stay for this.

### 40 Days for Life

Wednesday 25th Sept—Sunday 3rd Nov

peacefully praying outside Marie Stopes Abortion Clinic, Arthur Rd, Edgbaston between 8am-8pm.

Sunday 22nd September 2pm Upper Cloister Room at the Oratory Fr Philomena shares his testimony - 'My own daughter being aborted to becoming a Franciscan Priest'

The Parish Safeguarding Representatives are

Mrs Jane Craig & Mrs Linda Gordon

Email: safeguardingOLMC@gmail.com

### Reflection on today's psalm ...

*This is the greatest of all the penitential psalms and through the centuries the psalm has echoed the desire for forgiveness of those who have a burden to cast on God. First, there is the frankest plea for forgiveness, then a desire for inner renewal; finally, the penitent promises to declare God's goodness, and with that he returns to his own contrition.*

### Season of Creation

Creationtide runs until October 4th and is a time when all people of faith are asked to pray about and reflect upon the beautiful world that God has created.

On Wednesday 18th September at 6.30pm there will be a special Creationtide Mass at Mount Carmel followed by a shared meal, and everyone is asked to bring something to eat. It has been suggested it would be easier to provide something cold and that people try to make sure everything conforms to the LOAF principle—Local, Organic, Animal-friendly and Fairly-traded. This might not be possible, but anything home-made/home-frown would be perfect!

### Macmillan Coffee Morning

Wednesday 25 September 10.30-12.30pm

Eileen Gavin, a parishioner who attends the 11.15 Sunday Mass, together with her key worker is holding a Coffee Morning in aid of the Macmillan Nurses at Samuel Place, Prospect Hill, Redditch B97 4BS..... Everyone is welcome to join them.

### Celebrations at the Oratory for the Canonisation of Blessed John Henry Newman

Sunday 13 Oct Afternoon viewing of the canonisation in the Upper Cloister Hall

Friday 18 Oct Latin High Mass with the Archbishop

Sunday 20 Oct 12noon Mass with the Archbishop, 4.30pm Solemn Vespers, Benediction & Te Deum

## Mass Times & Intentions

### Twenty-fourth Sunday of the Year C

Week beginning Sunday 15th September 2019

#### Saturday

|              |         |                            |
|--------------|---------|----------------------------|
| Mount Carmel | 5.00 pm | Paddy & Nellie Darcy       |
| Hadzor       | 5.00 pm | Christine Norton (b'day a) |

#### Sunday

|              |          |   |
|--------------|----------|---|
| Mount Carmel | 8.15 am  | John Beard (b'day a)                      |
|              | 9.45 am  | Mass in Polish                            |
|              | 11.15 am | Thanksgiving for family (Monica)          |
|              | 6.00 pm  | Kazimierz (Dad & Grandad)                 |
| Alvechurch   | 9.45 am  | Ints of Fr Cornelius & people of Camaroon |
|              |          | Holy Souls                                |

#### Monday

|              |         |                               |
|--------------|---------|-------------------------------|
| Mount Carmel | 9.10 am | <i>Morning Prayer</i>         |
|              | 9.30 am | Ellen Hubbart                 |
|              | 2.30 pm | Funeral Mass<br>Beata Gluszak |

#### Tuesday

|              |         |                        |
|--------------|---------|------------------------|
| Mount Carmel | 9.10 am | <i>Morning Prayer</i>  |
|              | 9.30 am | Olga Antonowicz        |
|              | 6.00 pm | Bridget Mary Wynne (a) |

#### Wednesday

|              |         |                         |
|--------------|---------|-------------------------|
| Mount Carmel | 9.10 am | <i>Morning Prayer</i>   |
|              | 9.30 am | John Finnegan           |
|              | 6.30 pm | CAFOD Creationtide Mass |

#### Thursday

|              |         |                         |
|--------------|---------|-------------------------|
| Mount Carmel | 9.10 am | <i>Morning Prayer</i>   |
|              | 9.30 am | Christopher McNamee (a) |
|              | 6.30 pm | Exposition              |
|              | 7.00 pm | Michael Finn (a)        |

#### Friday

|               |          |                       |
|---------------|----------|-----------------------|
| Mount Carmel  | 9.10 am  | <i>Morning Prayer</i> |
|               | 9.30 am  | Bill Norton (b'day a) |
|               | 10.00 am | Stations of the Cross |
| St Bede's Sch | 2.15 pm  | Yr 5 Class Mass (CAI) |

#### Saturday

|              |         |                       |
|--------------|---------|-----------------------|
| Mount Carmel | 9.10 am | <i>Morning Prayer</i> |
|              | 9.30 am | Ints of Jane Yeomans  |
|              | 1.30pm  | Keralan Mass          |

*(The following fulfils Sunday Obligation)*

|              |         |   |
|--------------|---------|---|
| Mount Carmel | 5.00 pm | Michael O'Hara                            |
| Hadzor       | 5.00 pm | Ints of Fr Cornelius & people of Camaroon |

### Twenty-fifth Sunday of the Year C

Week beginning Sunday 22nd September 2019

|              |          |  |
|--------------|----------|--|
| Mount Carmel | 8.15 am  | Christopher McNamee (a)                |
|              | 9.45 am  | Mass in Polish                         |
|              | 11.15 am | Maggie & Peter Gavin (a)               |
|              | 6.00 pm  | Diane Curry                            |
| Alvechurch   | 9.45 am  | George, Valerie, Paddy & Peter Higgins |
| Feckenham    | 10.15 am | 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 Saturday of the month the Rosary will be said after Divine Mercy Devotion*

## Parish Diary ....

### Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

7.30pm AA Meeting in Parish Centre

#### Counters Team G

#### Monday

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

#### Tuesday

7pm Autumn Fayre Planning Meeting in Presbytery  
7pm AA Meeting in Parish Centre

#### Wednesday

6.30pm CAFOD Creationtide Mass followed by meeting, light refreshments and shared table

#### Thursday

7.30pm Journey in Faith 'Introduction to the Bible—Scripture & Tradition'

#### Friday

10am Stations of the Cross

#### 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 Jane Craig & Monica Whitmore

#### Sunday

### Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

7.30pm AA meeting in Parish Centre

#### Counters Team A

## 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/>

## Thankyou .....

Bill Reardon wishes to thank Angela, Jill, Liz and all those involved in Mount Carmel Seniors' Group for all the good wishes, gifts and kindness received on his 80th birthday. Mass will be offered for your intentions on Thursday, 3rd October at 9.30am in Mount Carmel.

## SAINTS & FEASTS FOR THE WEEK ...

#### Monday

**Saint Cornelius & St Cyprian**  
*(Third Century) Pope Cornelius defended the faith against the Novatian heretics and, helped by St Cyprian, confirmed his authority. He died in exile.*

*St Cyprian was born in Carthage and became its bishop. He was a staunch defender of the faith and ecclesiastical discipline. He suffered martyrdom during the persecution of Valerian. Their names are included in the Roman Canon.*

#### Tuesday

**Saint Robert Bellarmine**  
*(1542-1621) St Robert Bellarmine was born at Montepulciano, Italy, and joined the Society of Jesus. He was later created a Cardinal and was briefly Archbishop of Capua, although his greatest legacy is as a theologian and controversialist, especially in defending the Church from its protestant critics. He was canonized only in 1930, and declared a Doctor of the Church the following year.*

#### Thursday

**Saint Theodore of Canterbury**  
**Saint Januarius**

*St Theodore was born in Tarsus, Turkey, about 601. He died in Canterbury on this day in 690. He was a monk in Italy who was not ordained priest until he was appointed Archbishop of Canterbury by Pope Vitalian in 666 at the age of 65. He arrived in England in 669, and for the rest of his life reorganized and reformed the life of the Church throughout the country, holding visitations and synods, establishing new dioceses and a great school at Canterbury, and reconciling divisions between those of the Celtic and those of the Roman tradition. He is remembered for his scholarship and for his bringing unity and organization to a divided church.*

*(Fourth Century) St Januarius was bishop of Benevento, Italy. He died a martyr in Naples during the persecution of Diocletian. His dried blood contained in a phial liquefies several times each year.*

#### Friday

**Saint Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Paul Chong Ha-sang and Companions**

*(Nineteenth Century) The Christian faith was introduced into Korea during the 17th century through the zeal of a group of laypersons. But from the very beginning these Christians suffered under terrible persecutions that, over the course of the 19th century, gave the Church many martyrs. Outstanding among these was the first Korean priest and devoted pastor, Andrew Kim of Haegu, and the lay apostle, Paul Chong of Hasang. Among the Korean martyrs who struggled valiantly for Christ were bishops and priests, but for the most part they were laity, men and women, married, single, young and old.*

#### Saturday

**Feast of Saint Matthew, Apostle**  
*Also called Levi, he was the son of Alphaeus. He was a publican, that is, a tax collector for the Romans. His profession was hateful to the Jews. Nevertheless, our Lord called him. Matthew is one of the Twelve apostles. The details of his evangelization are unknown, as is of his martyrdom which perhaps took place in Persia. Tradition unanimously acknowledges him as the author of the first gospel. His name appears among the other apostles in the Roman Canon.*

## Beauty in Brokenness

*Here we are to worship—exploring worship across our traditions*  
An opportunity for women from many different Christian denominations to share their experiences. **SATURDAY 21 SEPTEMBER 12.30 FOR 12.45PM—5PM INCLUDING LUNCH AT BROMSGROVE METHODIST CENTRE, 19 STRATFORD RD B60 1AS** Cost £6 inc lunch and drinks (please advise of any dietary requirements) For more information or to book, please contact Ann Smith at [nooe98@gmail.com](mailto:nooe98@gmail.com), telephone 0121 445 1374

## Lamp at the Shrine of Our Lady

*This week the lamp burns in loving memory of JOHN BEARD (BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY) ... Next week for a SPECIAL INTENTION*

## Lamp at the Shrine of the Sacred Heart

*This week the lamp burns for the DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE REARDON & DURR FAMILIES ... Next week FREE AT THE MOMENT*

## For the dead ...

*Your prayers are asked for JOHN DONNELLY Reception of Body 5pm Sunday 22nd September, Funeral Mass Monday 23rd September at 11am. May 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 Juszkiwicz, 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, Charlie McColgan, Judy Mitten, John Coleman, Kerry Haycock, Emma Martin, Hinda McLarney, Anne Morton, Pauline Oxley, Charles Withers*

## Congratulations .....

*We welcome into God's family MELITA CHRISTINA LORJA baptised last weekend at Mount Carmel*

## Vacancy at St Bedes'

Teacher of English—Maternity Cover MPS1-6 (£23,720-£35,008) for January 2020. Enhanced DBS Clearance will be required. Applications are invited from all suitable qualified candidates including NQT's. Job Description & Application form available on school's website [www.st-bedes.worcs.sch.uk](http://www.st-bedes.worcs.sch.uk) Closing date for applications is 12 noon Friday 27th September. Tel 01527 525916 email [jbush@st-bedes.worcs.sch.uk](mailto:jbush@st-bedes.worcs.sch.uk)

## CLIC SARGENT CHARITY CHRISTMAS CONCERT

**Friday 13 December 2pm & 7pm**

**Birmingham Town Hall** in aid of children & families living with Cancer featuring the Midland's Hospital Choir. Bring your own drinks. More details later.

**Tabor House** Birmingham's only permanent night shelter is looking for volunteers for Hospitality & Mentoring—to find out more go along to the Open Evening on Wednesday 2nd October 6pm-8pm at St Anne's Training Room, 96 Bradford St, B12 0PY

## WEEKLY STATISTICS

Weekend of 7/8 September 2019

1st Collection £876.43

2nd Collection £419.13

Mass attendance 725

*(does not include Polish count)*

*These figures do not include Standing Orders*