PARISH CLERGY:

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DATESunday 24th July 2022

<u>SUNDAY</u> Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

DIVINE OFFICE
Week 1

Live-streamed Masses: Sunday at 9.30am and all weekday Masses.

| Saturday 23 rd July 1 st Mass of Sunday | 6:00pm | Donnell Burns RIP (A&TB) |
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| Sunday 24 th July Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time | 9:30am | People of the Parish |
| Monday 25 th July St. James Apostle Feast | 9.15am | Tony Andrews _{RIP} (CA) |
| <u>Tuesday 26th July</u> Ss. Joachim & Anne Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary | 9.15am | Sheila Gittins RIP (GO) |
| Wednesday 27 th July Feria | | No Services Today |
| Thursday 28 th July Feria | - | Reception: Maura McGarry Int. of David & Sheila Goodwin (D&SG) |
| <u>Friday 29th July</u> Ss. Martha, Mary & Lazarus _{Memorial} | | Bert Mercer _{RIP} ^(SVP) Requiem Mass: Maura McGarry |
| Saturday 30 th July Our Lady ^{Saturday Memorial} (1 st Mass of Sunday) | 10-11am | Anastasia Cox _{RIP} ^(FD) Exposition, Confessions & Benediction People of the Parish |
| Sunday 31 st July Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time | 9.30am | Thomas McMahon RIP (KF) |

Pope Francis:

to the We must return essence of Christianity: love of God, the driving force of our joy that sends us out to tread the pathways of the world, and welcoming our neighbour. This is the simplest and most beautiful witness we can give the world.

This Weeks CAFOD Praver



(Seventeenth Sunday)

We pray for young people, that they will have the courage to reject atheism and materialism and find, in the way of Christ, justice, truth, and freedom.

Dcn. Peter's Conversation Group The conversation groups that meet on Mondays and Saturdays are now taking their summer break. We wish you a restful summer.

St. Chad's Sanctuary

St. Chad's Sanctuary, which welcomes refugees and asylum seekers in Birmingham City Centre, is running out of tinned food, pasta, soap, shampoo and toothpaste. These are not luxury items but they could be all that is put into a person's hand when they arrive in our city with nothing. Items for donation can be placed into the box in the porch.

Recently Deceased

Of your charity please pray for the repose of the souls of **Michael Miotk**, **Maura** McGarry, Bernadette Duggan & Peter Cox on whose souls Sweet Jesus have mercy, may they rest in peace.

Maura will be received into church on Thursday 28th July at 4.30pm. Her Requiem Mass will be celebrated at 11.30am on Friday 29th July.

Collections:

| Last Week's Offertory: | £256.50 |
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| Weekly Standing Orders: | £898.00 |

Pope's Prayer Intention

The Pope's prayer intention for July is: For the elderly. We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people; may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.

Sick in the Parish

Please pray for all the sick in the parish, remember especially:

Val Osborn, Janet Chambers, Jo Hawker, Paul Atkinson, Mike Treadwell, Jacqui Bird, Alison Welton, Fr. Tony Rohan, Louise Morgan, Stephen Brook, Margaret Davis, Mary Bannister, Brough, Morris Joe Moseley, Margaret Healy, Juliet Woodhall, Pat Hopley, Luke Smith, Catherine Shepherd, Keiron Sanders, Jim Smith, David Goodwin, Antonio Bigongiari, Olivia (Dotty) Cutler, Ann & Keith Allford, Dcn. John Higgins, Joan Hart, Emma Jones, Anna Morgan née Meehan, Margaret Cooper, Holly Brady, Mike Mander, Jo Cooke, Anne Humphreys, Paul Mott, Theresa Chandler, Fr. Paul Chamberlain, Cath Breen, Max Lewis, David & Sheila Piggott, Clare Cooksey Áine & McDonagh.

Please pray also for all those who carry the burden of their illnesses privately, and for all those who are dedicated to the care of the sick.

Thank You

On behalf of the Parish I would like to extend a word of gratitude to all parishioners who helped to make our Parish celebration the wonderful event that it was. With good weather, good food and plenty of fellowship, a good time was had by all who attended.



Copies of the Diocesan Magazine, the Sower, are now available in the church porch. This is a free magazine that gives a window into the life of the Diocese, and some of the events that have taken place around the parishes of the Archdiocese. Please take a copy home with you this weekend.

Becoming a Catholic.

Not a Catholic, yet you regularly attend Mass with your family. **Have you ever thought about being received into Full Communion with the Catholic Church?** If this is something that you are interested in please see Fr. Craig who will speak about the possibility of doing a Journey in Faith Course leading up to the celebration of Easter next year.

Sacramental Preparation

If you have children in a non-Catholic School who, in September, will be going into Years 3 or 6 the time has come to think about their preparation for the Sacraments. Here at St. Mary of the Angels we begin our Sacramental Preparation Programme after the October half term. If you would like your child(ren) to be enrolled onto this programme please speak to Fr. Craig ASAP.

Pilgrimage to Harvington Hall

The annual Diocesan pilgrimage to Harvington Hall, Shrine of the English Martyrs, takes place on **Sunday** 4^{th} **September**. Mass will be celebrated at 3pm, with confessions available from 1.45pm – 2.30pm. Please see the poster in the porch for more details about the day.

Please bring your own chairs!

Praying for the Unborn

RIGHT TO LIFE

For all going through difficult pregnancies, we pray for an overwhelming sense of hope and joy to fill their lives, and for increased support to be given by their family, friends and local communities. Amen.

Barnardo's Report

An independent review undertaken by the charity Barnardo's on behalf of the Archdiocese of Birmingham in relation to the management of concerns about Joseph Quigley, a priest in the Archdiocese, is now available on the Diocesan website: <u>www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk</u>

The Trustees of the Archdiocese of Birmingham have accepted this review and its 18 recommendations in full and you can also see the full response on the website. As an institution it is for the present Bishops and Trustees to take corporate responsibility, to apologise, learn and ensure best safeguarding practice now and in the future. There has been a significant amount of positive change in Diocesan safeguarding practice. However, these recommendations will help inform ongoing learning and improvement within the Archdiocese.

Congratulations



We offer our prayers and our congratulations to **Xavier Reef D** & **William Robert L** who were baptised here at St. Mary of the Angels last weekend. We pray also for their parents and Godparents as they take on the responsibility of raising their children in the practise of the faith.

Sacrament of the Sick

Please remember to inform Fr. Craig **directly** in case of sickness, especially if it requires hospital treatment or a prolonged absence from Mass. If you cannot inform the clergy yourself it is then your family who should take on this responsibility.

Save the Dates

The relics of **St. Bernadette** will be visiting the Archdiocese over the weekend of the 7^{th} – 10^{th} October. The relics of this wonderful saint will be visiting **Our Lady of Lourdes** in **Hednesford** and **St. Chad's Cathedral**.

Baptism Enquiries

If you would like to have your child Baptised here at St. Mary of the Angels, please visit the 'Baptismal Enquiry' page of the parish website using the following link: <u>https://www.catholicaldridge.co.uk/baptis</u> <u>mal-enquiries.html</u>

Here you can complete a 'Baptism Enquiry Form'. The next available dates for Baptism Preparation are:

> 7pm Tuesday 13th September 7pm Tuesday 15th November

| PARISH DUTIES THIS WEEKEND: 23 RD /24 TH JULY 2022 | | | | |
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| 6.00PM VIGIL MASS | READERS: | Pat H & Gerry W | | |
| 9.30AM SUNG MASS | MUSIC: | Choir | | |
| | READERS: | Martin B & Christine L | | |
| PARISH DUTIES FOR NEXT WEEKEND: 30 TH /31 ST JULY 2022 | | | | |
| 6.00pm Vigil Mass | WELCOMERS: | Dawn M (for Ann & John T) | | |
| | WARDENS: | Peter H | | |
| | READERS: | Brian L & Cathy S | | |
| 9.30am Sung Mass | MUSIC: | Folk Group | | |
| | WELCOMERS: | Jonathan G | | |
| | WARDENS: | John O'N & Bruce B | | |
| | READERS: | Jacqui B & Maura L | | |
| CLEANERS: | Team B | | | |
| FLOWERS: | Anne H | | | |
| COFFEE: | Elena S, Joan L & Angela S | | | |

<u>And finally</u>:- By the time that this newsletter goes to print we, as a parish, will have said goodbye to Jithin, the seminarian, who has been with us here in the parish for the past four weeks. He is now taking a short break, involving a pilgrimage to Avila, before going to work at Oscott – seminarians are always looking for ways to earn money! In September he will resume his formation for the Priesthood in the third year of his studies. During his time here, Jithin has enjoyed going into both our Primary and Secondary schools, sharing with the pupils a little of his journey towards the priesthood thus far, encouraging them in their own journey of faith. Once again, on a personal level, it has been good to have Jithin here with me in the Presbytery, being able to pray together at the start of each day, and sharing with him something of my own experience of being a Parish Priest. Please do remember to keep Jithin, and all of the students at Oscott, in your prayers as they continue to prepare for a life of service to the Lord and His Church.

May God bless and protect you all. Fr. Craig