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SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 23rd February 2020

Dear Parishioners,

'Love your enemies!

Every person is made in the image and likeness of God. We must try to look upon our neighbours as friends and not enemies. They are brothers and sisters in Christ. In this way we will become holy as God wants us to be.' (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

The baptismal preparation evenings for March are Thursday 12th and Thursday 19th at 8pm in the Presbytery. All are welcome.

This Saturday evening, February 22nd, we have Night Fever in Church between 7pm-9pm. Please remember this event in your prayers, that some may experience the presence of God in their lives.

This Wednesday, 26th February, is Ash Wednesday and marks the beginning of the season of Lent. May it be a time for growing in our love for God and for our neighbour. Mass times are; 10am; 12.30pm and 7pm. We have requested the free use of the lower level of the Dominion Car Park for 7pm Mass.


The Walk With Me Booklets and Calendars are available in both porches. Also available are small CTS pamphlets dedicated to 'The God Who Speaks', the theme for this year's deepening understanding of the Scriptures.

Please remember in your prayers our First Holy Communion and Confirmation candidates, some of whom will celebrate their First Confession on Tuesday 3rd March.

The Birmingham Catholic Youth Service have a series of exciting events taking place over the forthcoming weeks and months. For complete details please visit their website: www.kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk They are also inviting young people (aged 16+) who are looking for experience and professional training in journalism, social media, photography, videography, graphic design or light and sound engineering.

A number of volunteers from the Parish are needed to help with the Lenten Prayer Tree on Saturday 28th March from 11am-1pm at a stall in the High Street. Please see Fr Dominic or Henryk Cettler if you can help.

Olton Friary have a whole programme of Lenten Events arranged for Lent 2020 including a retreat and Lectio Divina sessions. Please see leaflets in porch for details.

<p align="center">22nd February Saturday FEAST Of the Chair of St Peter</p>	<p>Leviticus 19:1-2,17-18 1 Corinthians 3:16-23 Matthew 5:38-48 12.30pm Jean & Edward Lingard-RIP Carmel-Intention Eilish O'Sullivan-RIP 7pm-9pm Night Fever</p>	<p>Confession/Exposition 10.30-12.00 Noon Lunches/Tea/Coffee available after 12.30pm Mass</p>
<p align="center">23rd February SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME <i>Day for the Unemployed</i></p>	<p>Leviticus 19:1-2,17-18 1 Corinthians 3:16-23 Matthew 5:38-48 9.00am Mary Quinn-RIP 11.00am Val Burgess-RIP</p>	<p>Tea/Coffee available after 9am & 11am Masses</p>
<p align="center">24th February Monday Feria In Ordinary Time</p>	<p>James 3:13-18 Mark 9:14-29 9.35am The Rosary 10.00am Kathleen, May & Family</p>	<p>Pre School 9.30am-12.30pm</p>
<p align="center">25th February Tuesday Feria in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>James 4:1-10 Mark 9:30-37 9.35am The Rosary 10.00am Thomas Fleming-RIP Thomas Kennedy-RIP</p>	<p>Pre School 9.30am-12.30pm Legion of Mary 6.15pm</p>
<p align="center">26th February Ash Wednesday</p>  <p align="center">Day of Fast & Abstinence</p>	<p>Joel 2:12-18 2 Corinthians 5:20-6:2 Matthew 6:1-6,16-18 9.35am The Rosary 10.00am Barry Jukes- RIP 12.30pm Cecelia Wadsworth-Intention 7.00pm Mrs Sugrue- RIP</p>	<p>Rainbows 4.30pm-5.30pm Brownies 5.45pm-7.30pm</p>
<p align="center">27th February Thursday After Ash Wednesday</p>	<p>Deuteronomy 30:15-20 Luke 9:22-25 12.00pm The Rosary 12.30pm Pat Murphy-RIP Sonny Nash- RIP Jean Woodman-RIP</p>	<p>Pre School 9.30am-12.30pm 12.00-12.30pm Exposition</p>
<p align="center">28th February Friday After Ash Wednesday St Oswald</p>	<p>Isaiah 58:1-9 Matthew 9:14-15 9.35am The Rosary 10.00am Agnes Doolan-RIP 6.30pm Amanda Denton-Hawkes-RIP</p>	<p>Exposition after 10am Mass until 12.30pm Holy Hour 5.15pm-6.15pm followed by Mass 6.30pm</p>
<p align="center">29th February Saturday After Ash Wednesday</p>	<p>Genesis 2:7-9,3:1-7 Romans 5:12-19 Matthew 4:1-11 12.30pm Una Hyland- Intention Mary Surgary-RIP Daniel Brosnan & Members of Brosnan and McGovern Families</p>	<p>Confession/Exposition 11.00-12.00 Noon Tea/Coffee/Lunches available after 12.30pm Mass</p>
<p align="center">1st March First Sunday of Lent</p>	<p>Genesis 2:7-9,3:1-7 Romans 5:12-19 Matthew 4:1-11 9.00am Sarah Dennison-RIP 11.00am Mary O'Brien-RIP</p>	<p>Tea/Coffee available after 9am & 11am Masses</p>

Offertory Collection last week: £1,081:71 (Gift Aid £285:00 Loose £796:71)

Second Collection last weekend: LIFE £837:67

Marriage Matters(www.twoinoneflesh.org.uk) Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

(Lev

19:1-2, 17-18 1 Cor 3:16-23 Matt 5:38-48) Finding the joy in our sacramental relationship

The joy of courting couples is obvious for all to see. Over the years, excitement can lessen, our independent attitudes strengthen; competition and jealousy creep in. Today Jesus calls us to "...turn the other cheek...". In confidence share, in trust listen, in faith forgive, so that our spouse will grow in self-worth and the sparkle of joy will reignite.

To conclude payment of the altar for St Augustine's Primary School, refreshments, raffle and sale of cakes will be on offer in the parish hall this weekend. As parishioners you are most welcome to please come and support our local school while enjoying a treat before Lent!

JOB VACANCIES (Maternity cover) – Administration Assistant and Finance Assistant The Columban Missionaries invites applications for the part-time, temporary (maternity cover) roles of Administration Assistant and Finance Assistant. Based in the Columban Mission Office at St. Columban's in Solihull, the roles will support the work of Columban mission in Britain and internationally. For more information and to apply tel: 01564 772 096 or email: hr@columbans.co.uk. Deadline: Sunday 8th March.

HMP Hewell Chaplain. HMP Hewell seeks a RC Chaplain, which may be a lay person. Please use the following link for the advertised post: <https://justicejobs.tal.net/vx/lang-en-GB/mobile-0/appcentre-1/brand-15/candidate/so/pm/1/pl/3/opp/32278-32278-Roman-Catholic-Ordained-Deacon-Religious-Brother-or-Sister-Lay-Person/en-GB>

The Flag Day this year in aid of Solihull Churches Action On Homelessness, SCAH, is on Saturday 14 March. If anyone is able to offer an hour with a collection can in the town centre please give their names to one of the priests.

GREAT BIG HOSPICE QUIZ- in aid of Marie Curie & Acorns Hospices; **Saturday 21st March 2020.** Archbishop Illsley School 7pm. Teams of up to 6-£3 per head. Bring your own refreshments. Contact Rita- 07887656648

40 DAYS FOR LIFE- Come and hear Dr Dermot Kearney, consultant cardiologist and president of the Catholic Medical Association speak on: 'Turning the Tables on Abortion-The Battle for Life.' Join us at our kick-off event on Sunday 23rd February, 2pm, Upper Cloister Room, The Oratory, 141 Hagley Road Birmingham B16 8UE. All welcome. For more information contact Isabel: 07773501721

CAFOD Lent Family Fast Day on Friday 6 March is the 60th anniversary of the first Family Fast Day led by our founding mothers and, as it has been for sixty years, is an opportunity to reach out and support highly-skilled local experts around the world who help the poorest members of our global family. Please collect your Family Fast Day envelope this week and give whatever you can to help experts like Sister Consilia - a nun and trained pharmacist who treats people in rural Zimbabwe - continue their vital work.

FHL PANCAKE LUNCH. Friends of the Holy Land would like to invite all parishioners to a Pancake lunch to be held on Tuesday 25th February between 11am and 2pm in the Parish Hall. At The Friary. All proceeds from this event will go to FHL in the Holy Land. The plight of Christians in the Holy Land continues to get worse, so your support and a voluntary donation to this event is needed more than ever. For more details about FHL please go on line at www.Friendsoftheholylan.org.uk Or Steve and Jenny Roper 012170517

Readers this week

SUNDAY

9.00am Anthony Killeen

Bernard McHale

11.00am Juliana Benjamin

Mary Clark

Cleaning Rota: for week beginning February 24th for Services February 29th/1st March-B

Monica Green, Maureen Casey, Bernadette Rourke

Flowers Rota: – for week beginning February 24th for Services February 29th/1st March LENT

Eucharistic Ministers this week

SUNDAY

9.00am Ken Bolton / Don Deneny

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11.00am Henryk Cettler

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Please remember in your prayers the sick of the Parish:

Keith Frettsome Martin Yates Virginia Gregory, Angela, Eilish, Tony Duffy Tom Oliver

Joan Kennedy Roberto Cordora Kevin Fahy Sandy Simia Adam Cole

Trevor Windle Colette Hicky Danny Meadows Kathleen Beale Martha Sheridan

ASH WEDNESDAY

"Ashes to ashes, dust to dust,"
How those words,
remind me, tell me
of my mortality.

O dear Feast of Lent,
what I can accomplish
during your forty days
for immortality?

Surrender Your will,
my Master would say.
And learn of my way,
of obedience to the Father.

That is a hard task,
I thought. How can a mortal
accomplish this?

By grace, dear child, my grace.
Grace I give you, each time
you say, 'no' to self,
and 'yes' to me.

Love your enemies,
do good to your persecutors,
give without reward.
Judge not and forgive. This way you will be with me
in my darkest, darkest hours, when sin does its worst to rule the earth.

It put me to death,
High on the cross,
I had the last word.
I am the Saviour of all.

Please pray for: Rita Shanley, Mary Quinn, Sheila Irene Quinn, Robert (Bob) Pritchard, Margaret Mawdsley, Frank McGuinness, Mary Agnes Service, and John Francis Mitchell and all with anniversaries at this time.

Safe Guarding Representatives are: Anne Ryder 0121 705 3067

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GIFT AID SCHEME Please inform Fr Dominic or telephone the Parish Office of any changes to address or tax situation so that accurate records may be kept. If you wish to join the scheme there are forms in the porch. Thank you

ST JOSEPH'S CARE HOME, COLESHILL-have vacancies for anyone considering respite or residential care in a Catholic Care Home. Please see notice board for details.

BIRMINGHAM HOMELESS SHELTER- Tabor House, is looking for volunteers. Please see notice board for details.

The SVP would like to thank all those who baked, purchased or made a donation to our cake sale. £380 was raised, we are delighted, enough for 2 1/2 buffalos. Thank you.

