

MASSES AND SERVICES

27th August – 21st Sunday of the Year

Saturday	5.30pm	Fr John Int
Sunday	8.45am	People of the Parish
	10.30am	Christine Newbold Int (SM)

Weekday Services (Week 21. Psalter Week 1)

28.8 Mon	10.00am	St Augustine Family & Friends of Fr John
29.8 Tue	10.00am	The Passion of St John the Baptist Joan Otte RIP (A&K)
30.8 Wed	10.00am	Feria Anna Connolly Int (DK)
31.8 Thu	10.00am	Feria Monica Kelleher & Daughter Int
1.9 Fri	10.00am	Feria Janet Clarke RIP
2.9 Sat	10.00am	Our Lady on Saturday Birthday Thanksgiving Int (C)

3rd September – 22nd Sunday of the Year

Saturday	5.30pm	Pat Mullen RIP (SF)
Sunday	8.45am	People of the Parish
	10.30am	Anthony Edwards RIP (M)

Confession Saturday morning 9.15am – 9.45am
Wednesday Exposition: Restarts in September
Rosary – Monday to Saturday 9.35am
Divine Mercy Chaplet – Friday after Mass

CHURCH CLEANING

This week	D Morgan	P Hogan
Next week	S Chester	H Grosvenor

READERS	5.30pm	8.45am	10.30am
This week	J Musgrave	V Chapman	J McDonald
Next week	N Damms	C Saum	J McDonald

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ST. GEORGE & ST. TERESA CATHOLIC
CHURCH
DORRIDGE
TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
27TH AUGUST 2023

Dear Parishioners,

Can you Adam and Eve it? It is the last week of August!

In the newsletter last week I shared a few thoughts about the why we have candles on the altar. Today I would like to continue this instruction to say something about the "ambo". Some of you may be scratching your heads about what an ambo is? The ambo is the correct title for what some people refer to as the lectern. This is the special place where the Bible is kept and proclaimed for us. Whereas a lectern is used to deliver a lecture or to read a text in a lecture hall, the ambo in church has more gravitas because it is the place where we expect to hear the Word of God read or explained to us. The ambo is an important piece of liturgical furniture and is a 'holy place'. Members of the congregation are aware of the significance of the ambo. One way we can show our recognition of the ambo as being special is to turn towards it when the Gospel is being read to us giving it our undivided attention. and showing through our body language we are hearing something special. We adorn our ambo with cloth cover except on Good Friday when every adornment in the church is removed or covered. Our ambo is original and can be recognised in photographs of our church from the 1940's and 50's.

Well, enough of me! This is our last Bank Holiday on Monday until Boxing Day, so let's try and make it a memorable day for all the right reasons. Why not start the day by coming to Mass?

Every Blessing,
Fr John

COMMENCING 12th September
with the showing of the film

FINDING A VOICE

A Study Course based on
THE KING'S SPEECH

HILARY BRAND



Tuesday evenings 7:30pm

First study evening will be 19th
September

In the Parish Centre
Conference Room

All welcome

There is a course book which
many of you may still have, as
we started this the Lent before
we went into lock-down.

*(Further details from Deacon
Stephen 07768 775066)*

Mass for Staff and Governors of St Peter's, St Augustine's, Our Lady of the Wayside and St George and St Teresa will take place on Wednesday 13th September at 4pm at St George and St Teresa School.

Ex Urbe concert "Eternal Light" at St George and St Teresa's on Sunday 10th September at 4 pm and Hampton in Arden Parish Church on Saturday 9th September at 7 pm. Ex Urbe, conducted by Benjamin Hamilton, are delighted to present a weekend of timeless and uplifting choral music, inspired by many composers through the ages including Duruflé, Macmillan, Whitacre, Rutter and more. Tickets priced at £12 can be purchased on the door or online via <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/ex-urbe-chamber-choir> . There will be light refreshments. Please come and enjoy this enchanting afternoon concert entitled Eternal Light.

For St George & St Teresa parishioners Blessing of the Graves

Widney Manor Sunday 17th September at 2.30pm

Knowle Cemetery on Sunday 24th September at 3pm.

Children's Liturgy resumes on Sunday 10th September.

✠ *Your Prayers are asked*

For those who are Sick or Housebound: Fr. Michael Ho, Joe Stephens, Michael Grosvenor, Dorothy Perkins, Jill Baynham, Rita Salloway, Leo Hughes, Tessa Waters and Tony Parsons.

Let us also remember them in our prayers and also those who care for them.

Anniversaries (this week) from the last 20 years: Paula Evans, Joan Otte, Ian Foxley, George Rumbold, Alan Miller, Michael Moorhouse.

Recently deceased – May they rest in peace: Kevin Diggins, Fr Keith Enston, Michael Rogers, Anthony Edwards, Pat Mullen.

Parish Centre News. Timetable for next week on the noticeboard. If you are having a family occasion, please consider booking our hall for your venue. **It is important that users of the Parish Centre arrange bookings (and payments for non-Parish Events) through Oksana Zurak 07967-846-963 or oksanazurak@gmail.com**

Offertory: 20.8.23 Envelopes £235 Loose Plate £219

Average weekly offering via standing order and online banking - £680

The Harvington Pilgrimage on Sunday 3rd September celebrates 100 years since the building was rescued by the Archdiocese of Birmingham. starts at 3pm. The grounds open at 1.30pm. Bring a folding chair, an umbrella (to keep the sun/rain off!) and a packed lunch. Tea and coffee will be provided. Most of you seem to be making your own way! The coach will be leaving St George and St Teresa at 12.15pm. The cost is £15 for adults and £8 for children. There are still some coach places available.

An Introduction to Voluntary Workplace Chaplaincy. A 7-week training course 25th September – 13th November on Monday evenings from 5-7pm. It is led by the Workplace Chaplaincy Church and Industry Group for Birmingham & Solihull (CIGB) and will take place at Solihull Methodist Church which is next to Solihull Station. The CIGB has a network of 40 voluntary chaplains in the Midlands in retail, conference venues, fire stations, FE Colleges, construction sites, manufacturing, transport, and residential living. This might suit a parishioner with time on their hands, perhaps someone who has retired or early retired and enjoys meeting people. The course is not accredited but there is a certificate of completion. There is a charge of £50. The current chaplains visit Birmingham Airport, Bullring, Touchwood Shopping Centre, NEC, NIA, JLR and fire stations. Posts are voluntary but reasonable expenses will be met. Please sign up by 19th September. Registration form and more information can be found at teamadmin@cigb.org.uk or write to CIGB, John Cadbury House, 190 Corporation Street, Birmingham. B4 6QD. See the Information sheet in the Narthex.

English Martyrs' Church in Sparkhill celebrate their Centenary with a Mass on Fri 8th Sept at 6pm. Former parishioners and clergy are invited to attend. The organisers request you contact englishmartyrs.bham@rcaob.org.uk or telephone the Presbytery during office hours 0121 753 4457 to let them know numbers for catering. The Mass will be offered by The Most Rev Kevin McDonald (Emeritus), a former PP of English Martyrs, Rector of Oscott College, Bishop of Northampton and Archbishop of the Diocese of Southwark.

Birmingham Diocese Dates for your diary:

At St Chad's Cathedral: 31/8: Free Organ Recital with Anthony Pinel.

More information can be found on the website www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk

Makes you smile!

*Did you hear about the thief who was arrested for stealing an electric car?
The police are going to charge him.

*Two cowboys are lost in the desert. Suddenly one sees a tree draped in ham and runs towards it, "It's a bacon tree, we are saved!" Sadly he was shot to pieces.
It was a ham bush!

* Now the bees are on strike. They want shorter flowers and more honey.

*I have read so much about the evils of chocolate recently – so I am going to give up reading.

* Where do sick ponies go? Horsepital.

* How do you know if a pony has a cold? It's a little hoarse.