

MASSES AND SERVICES

22nd September – Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

This weekend there will be a second collection for the Fr Hudson's Society.

Saturday	5.30pm	Martin Duffy RIP (ED)
Sunday	8.45am	People of the Parish
	10.30am	Norah Maddocks RIP (MH)

Weekday Services

23.9 Mon	10.00am	St Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio) James Ryan RIP (AR)
24.9 Tue	10.00am	Our Lady of Walsingham Paul Miseroy RIP (MW)
25.9 Wed	10.00am	Feria Tessa Waters RIP (MH)
26.9 Thu	10.00am	Feria Tony Dawson RIP (D&E G)
27.9 Fri	10.00am	St Vincent de Paul In Thanksgiving (ML)
28.9 Sat	10.00am	Our Lady on Saturday Mr Ekwealor RIP (Ocho Family)

29th September – Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

This weekend there will be the September Collection for the Church Maintenance Fund.

Saturday	5.30pm	Martin Treacy Anniv (JT)
Sunday	8.45am	People of the Parish
	10.30am	World Peace (ML)

Confession Saturday morning 9.15am – 9.45am

Rosary – Monday to Saturday 9.35am

Divine Mercy Chaplet – Friday after Mass

CHURCH CLEANING

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

READERS

	5.30pm	8.45am	10.30am
This week	N Damms	G O'Gara	J McDonald
Next week	M O'Dwyer	E Moroney Barnett	N Ritmeyer

The Blessing of the Graves at Knowle Parish Church Cemetery on 22nd September at 2.30pm.

Parish Priest: Fr John Cross

Deacon: Rev Mr Stephen Saum, Rev Dr Subhi Zora. Priest in Residence: Fr Paul Dean,

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**ST. GEORGE & ST. TERESA CATHOLIC
CHURCH
DORRIDGE**

**22nd September 2024
25th Sunday of the Year**

Dear Parishioners,

Last weekend we were thinking about the joy of the Gospel and this weekend we have the joy of a Pastoral Letter from Archbishop Bernard. I won't spill the beans about what it is about. Better that you are on the edge of your seats in eager anticipation. I am writing my own pastoral letter to you on Thursday afternoon after returning from a visit to School and a Service with Year 2. We heard all about Padre Pio, that he was a Capuchin Franciscan Friar and cappuccino coffee is named after the Capuchin Franciscans. Each class is dedicated to a Saint, so I will look forward to hearing about the saints and seeking their intercession in our prayers. We shall celebrate our co-patron Saint Teresa of the Child Jesus on Tuesday 1st October at our 10am Mass.

Over the last few days we have had further repairs on the flat roof where the skylights were removed. I hope the repairs are successful this time. We have also had repairs to stop the leak in the church. Removing the tiles has revealed the underfelt is not in a good condition and will need to be replaced.

Next Friday there is a Mass at 6pm to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of St Peter's School. The chief celebrant is Bishop David Evans. It is a real milestone for Catholic education and I hope some of the former pupils and parents from this parish can attend. Please click on the QR code on the notice in the porch or contact their school office to let them know if you plan to attend.

Blessing of the Graves this Sunday 22nd September at Knowle Parish Church Yard at 2.30pm. I am hoping for a window of dry weather as the graves are blessed.

Thank you to those of you who spoke to me about supporting the parish in the purchase of the new Mass Books for the Altar and the People's Parish Mass Books. We will have a special collection on the last weekend in October.

Every Blessing,
Fr John

Hampton Singers invite you to their next concert "Celebrating the Timeless Songs of Love" on Saturday 19 October at 7pm at George Fentham Hall, Hampton in Arden B92 0AH. Tickets priced £15 can be purchased on line at www.hamptonsingers.co.uk or on the door.

Asylum Seeker/Refugee Befriending - Would you be interested in becoming a befriender to a refugee or asylum seeker in the Birmingham Area? If so, the Birmingham Churches Together Refugee charity 'RESTORE' is running training sessions on Tuesday 9th, 16th and 23rd October, 7.15pm to 9.15pm at The REP Theatre in Birmingham. More information can be found on the poster in the narthex, from the link [Restore Autumn Training Course 2024 - Restore \(restore-uk.org\)](#) and via this YouTube video <https://youtu.be/71QfrZuvt-Y> If you would like an informal chat with someone from the Parish about what being a befriender entails, give Tony a ring on 07787 538620.

Vacancies

See Our Lady and All Saints Catholic Multi Academy website for details.

Site Manager Salary: Band D £30,296 – £34,834, St Wilfrid's Catholic Primary School

Play Assistant Salary: Band A (£22,366 - £22,737) pro rata, fixed term with the potential to become permanent, Our Lady of Compassion.

HR Business Partner Band E (£35,745 - £41,418 FTE), permanent, full time: 37 Hours per week, 52 weeks per year. Alternative working patterns considered. Start Date: 4th November 2024 or sooner.

Teaching Assistant Fixed Term Band C8 (£24,702) to C14 (£27,334), Our Lady of the Wayside Catholic Primary School.

Visit My Mosque: Saturday 28th Sept, 2-5pm, The Hub Solihull will be taking part in the national Visit My Mosque initiative, The event will include a tour, talks and exhibitions. In the spirit of friendship and conversation, we hope to give members of the local community an engaging insight into the life of Muslims to help promote greater mutual understanding. Book using the link below. <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/open-day-the-hub-solihull-tickets-1018858462087?utm-campaign=social&utm-content=attendeeshare&utm-medium=discovery&utm-term=listing&utm-source=cp&aff=ebdsshcopyurl>

World Day of Prayer: I am looking for preferably 2 people to take over the role of World Day of Prayer for our parish, having been on the committee for many years it's time for me to pass on the baton! Our next meeting is on Wednesday 25th September at 7.30 at the Methodist Church. I shall be present & if anyone would like to accompany me & meet the team please contact Daphne Morgan on 07909 835665.

'A Night at the Musicals', an exciting event coming up on Saturday 5th October 2024, 7.30 at Olton Friary, in the Church. Hear fabulous tunes from the musicals played by our own amazing organist Gerry Poole, and a special guest organist Pavlos Triantaris. Also listen to beautiful solos, the church choir and prepare to be amazed by a dance cabaret of ballroom dancing. Tickets £12 per person, under 12s are free. Refreshments served after the concert in the Church Hall. To book your tickets or for more information please contact Geraldine Gnych (geraldine.gnych@oltonfriary.org.uk)

Christmas Piety Stall Stock – This year, as last year we have range of religious Christmas items – Christmas cards, Christmas candles and a small selection of items for children (for example, sticker books). All competitively priced and any money we make goes into the Church so all for a good cause.

Made me smile:

I keep getting an urge to sleep beneath my bed...the doctor says I have an underlying condition.

A medieval jousting tournament will be held at our local park this weekend. It is for two Knights only.

My mate keeps turning up at my house dressed as different shapes. I'm sure he'll be round tomorrow.

Everyday I get knocked over by the same bike. It's a vicious cycle.

What do you call a blind stag? No idea.

I'll tell you who makes me cross...the lollipop lady.

It is raining cats and dogs outside and I have just stepped into a poodle.

✠ *Please pray for*

The housebound & the sick: Tony Parsons, Rod Goodman, Dr John Martin, Joe Stephens, Michael Grosvenor, Dorothy Perkins, Jill Baynham, Matthew Gallagher, Jane Cotter, Margaret Cosgrove, Jesse Cusack Morris as well as our parishioners in hospital and nursing homes.

Rest in Peace: Norah Maddocks, Robert Waters, Mariea Crosby.

Anniversaries (this week) from the last 20 years: George Quayle, Reynor Thompson, Joe Mathias, Solomon Conquest, Jim Ryan. *May the souls of the faithful departed, Rest in Peace.*

Offertory: 15.9.24: Gift Aid Envelopes £341, Loose Plate £133.

Catholic Evangelisation: Gift Aid Envelopes £113, Loose Plate £84

Av standing order and online p.w. £620. Many thanks for your support.

Mass Attendance last week: 218.

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**

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese's policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Sandy Walmsley and Daphne Morgan. They can be contacted at: sg.stgeorge-steresa.dorrige@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 / safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.