

## MASSES AND SERVICES

### 7<sup>th</sup> July – Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>5.30pm</b>	Francis Murray RIP (JM)
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>8.45am</b>	Elizabeth McKenna (SS)
	<b>10.30am</b>	People of the Parish
	<b>4.00pm</b>	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament – Quiet Hour.

#### Weekday Services

8.7 Mon	10.00am	<b>Feria</b> Michael Braff (JG)
9.7 Tue	10.00pm	<b>Feria</b> Steve Edwards RIP (MF)
10.7 Wed	10.00am	<b>Feria</b> Special Int (JT)
11.7 Thu	10.00am	<b>St Benedict</b> Alice Mary Cross Int (Fr J)
12.7 Fri	10.00am	<b>Feria</b> Tessa Waters RIP (AR)
13.7 Sat	10.00am	<b>Our Lady on Saturday</b> Tony & Ros Hall Int (F&R S)

### 14<sup>th</sup> July – Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

This weekend there will be a second collection for the Apostleship of the Sea

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>5.30pm</b>	Fr Paul Birthday Int (AR)
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>8.45am</b>	People of the Parish
	<b>10.30am</b>	Derrick Perkins RIP (D&I M)
	<b>4.00pm</b>	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament – Quiet Hour.

**Exposition Sunday 4pm – 5pm**  
**Confession Saturday morning 9.15am – 9.45am**  
**Rosary – Monday to Saturday 9.35am**  
**Divine Mercy Chaplet – Friday after Mass**

#### CHURCH CLEANING

<b>This week</b>	R Price	S Simpon-Heath
<b>Next week</b>	E Linker	E Parker

<b>READERS</b>	<b>5.30pm</b>	<b>8.45am</b>	<b>10.30am</b>
<b>This week</b>	M O'Dwyer	Yr 5	D Bixby
<b>Next week</b>	B May	J Smith	M Heap

<b>TEA &amp; COFFEE</b>	A & C	G Seymour	R Slater
<b>Next week</b>	Kadow	S Chester	C Loughran

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**

**7th July 2024  
14th Sunday of the Year**

Dear Parishioners,

The political map has been redrawn and after the electorate coloured it, the local area looks like a blueberry on a bowl of tomato soup! As with all ongoing news in this country we watch and pray for the new Government who will bear the responsibility of leadership. Whatever our views or politics let us pray for those who will lead our country.

Most of us can relate to the weight of responsibility whether it is caring for a family, keeping people safe, making decisions and so forth. From a parish point of view the handing over of the keys to the new priest is part of the Service of Induction. The keys signify responsibility and there are plenty of responsibilities in the parish to keep me occupied. It is always good to see repairs and improvements carried out, so I am pleased to report that my request to the local council to repair the potholes at the two carpark entrances has been done. Your safety is my responsibility as is your soul. The Diocese has requested certificates of compliance for fire safety, health and safety, tree safety, electrical safety, gas safety, asbestos safety and I hope to complete this new task soon.

Meanwhile the spiritual mission of the Church continues. Sometimes people say to me, "Did you have a nice Christmas holiday or summer holiday?" Although Christmas is not a holiday for the clergy, summer is a chance for us to slow down and take stock before the new academic term begins in September.

Much of what happens in the parish is unseen, not quite a mystery of faith but perhaps a mystery to those who do not understand the work of a priest.

As the academic year draws to a close, I would like to thank all who care for the children of the parish, especially our parents, carers and teachers. This year our school regained its Ofsted mark of approval of a good school and hope that our various examinations will also reflect our high standards of teaching. The school leaders are also our faith leaders and together we share the responsibility for souls. Now we need to take time for our own souls as we prepare for the holy days of summer! Don't forget to go to church for your spiritual renewal on holiday. If there is no church – take a priest with you!

With every Blessing,  
Fr John

**St George and St Teresa School PTFA Summer Raffle.** The draw will take place on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July. We have super prizes this year including £50 and £30 Touchwood Vouchers, Voucher for Golf at Copt Heath, Tickets for Solihull Summerfest, a chocolate hamper and many more exciting prizes all donated by local businesses and families. Tickets will also be available to purchase at church weekend 6<sup>th</sup> July.

**Fr Bernard's Golden Jubilee - Date for Your Diary.** This year Fr Bernard McDermott from the Columbans celebrates the Golden Jubilee of his ordination. Many of you will know Fr Bernard from the time when the Columbans helped to cover our Sunday Masses. The North Warwickshire Catenians are organising a celebration for the whole parish on **Saturday 14th September** with the 10.00am Mass celebrated by Fr Bernie to be followed by light refreshments in the parish centre. We hope many of you will be able to join in the celebration. Further details nearer the time.

**Mary's Meals:** This weekend Margaret Pearson will speak about how Mary's Meals are working towards a world of Zero Hunger, by providing school meals to children in some of the world poorest communities. It costs just £19.15 to feed a child for a whole school year.

**Parish Building Fund:** Due to the many second collections at this time of year there will be a combined collection for June and July taken on 14<sup>th</sup> July.

**The annual Pilgrimage to Harvington Hall,** Shrine of the English Martyrs, will take place on Sunday 1 September 2024. This year the principal celebrant will be The Right Reverend Paul Gunter OSB, Abbot of Douai Abbey. Mass: 3.00 pm. Confessions: 1.45 pm – 2.30 pm. It is essential that you bring your own chairs and packed lunch.

**Job Vacancy:** Teaching and Learning Support Assistant at Our Lady of Compassion. This school vacancy is advertised on OLAAS MAC website [Current Vacancies | Our Lady and All Saints Catholic MAC \(olaas.co.uk\)](https://www.olaas.co.uk).

**Makes Me Smile** 😊 😊 😊

I rang Wimbledon this morning to ask the time play would be starting. They said about tennish.

Plans for a new Pelican Crossing in the high street have been given the green light.

Went to the doctors this morning with what felt like some cutlery stuck in my throat. The doctor said it's not too serious but we will have to take utensils out.

My wife and I have never had a cross word we prefer word searches.

I took all my odd socks to the re-pair shop.

Just failed by RAF entrance exam today. Apparently the bomb bay doors are not an Indian tribute band.

Archaeologists have found the ruins of an Alka-Seltzer factory in Birmingham dating back to 50BC. It was built by early settlers.

Two large blackbirds got stuck together in the garden. They were vel-crows.

Bruce Lee has a vegan brother – Broco Lee.

Just found some mould growing on my chocolate. There is life on Mars.

My fisherman friend used liquorice as a bait. “What did you catch?” I asked, “All Sorts.”

I went to Dan’s Café the other day but the music was loud and there was too much Wham memorabilia. I’m never going to Dan’s again.



**Offertory: 30.6.24:**

Gift Aid Envelopes £424, Loose Plate £193. Av standing order and online p.w. £680.

Peter’s Pence Gift Aid Envelopes £217, Loose Plate £111

Many thanks for your generosity. Mass attendance: 217.

**Have you registered as a parishioner of this parish?** Or have you changed your phone, address or email details. Help us to keep our records up to date. Forms in narthex.

✠ *Please pray for*

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

**Recently Deceased:** Tessa Waters, Margaret Cunningham RIP.

**Anniversaries (this week) from the last 20 years:** Josephine Murphy, Desmond Blee. *May the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.*

**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](mailto:oksanazurak@gmail.com)**

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