

Dates for your Dairy

Diocesan Second Collections. 2021.

Sunday 7th November (Johnson Association): There will be a second collection taken at all Masses today for Johnson Association (Clergy: Retired, infirmed & Formation)

Sunday 21st November (Catholic Youth Services): There will be a second collection taken at all Masses on 21st Nov. 2021 for Catholic Youth Services.

Sunday 5th December (Poor Parishes Fund): There will be a second collection taken at all Masses on 5th Nov 2021 for Poor Parishes Fund.

All to be found on the Birmingham diocesan website.

Mon 8 Nov: Synod 1st Online Information Session

Tues 9 and Sat 13 Nov: Alpha online - Come & See sessions

Tues 9 Nov: CAFOD update, live from Glasgow COP26

Mon 15 Nov: Synod 2nd Online Information Session

Mon 15 Nov: The Beatitudes Advent and New Beginnings Online Course

Tues 16 Nov: In conversation -The common good and the role of the Government

Wed 17 Nov: CAFOD event: What did COP26 achieve?

Thu 18 Nov: Less is more: Prioritising Evangelisation in the Parish

Fri 26 Nov: Latin for beginners

Tue 30 Nov: CAFOD event: Laudato Si Action Platform and livesimply

New Parish Hall Fundraising Events: We are aiming to raise £1000 by Christmas for the New P Community Hall with the following two initiatives: a) Family Christmas Quiz-£2 to enter, quiz sheets will be sold after masses from October 30th. b) Souvenir Parish Calendar 2022 -£5 each, available from mid November. Please see Sister, Tony or Stan for these or to reserve a copy.

Invite from Alpha - Come & See sessions: We have all come through an incredibly difficult 18 months and we know that so many parishes have been wonderful sources of hope and support for their communities in that time. We also know that many priests and lay leaders are feeling exhausted and perhaps a little nervous about church life as restrictions have been coming to an end around the country. We believe Alpha can play a key role in parishes gaining a sense of mission, building confidence in evangelisation, and restoring community. Whether you are brand new to Alpha or just need a refresher on what it is all about we'd love for you to join the Alpha UK Catholic Context team for an online Come & See session, tailored especially for Catholic parishes, where you will be guided through a sample session and can ask all your questions. Online sessions in November and December - various dates and times. On Birmingham diocesan website.

Pray for the Sick: Caroline Dickinson, Dina Kuczynski, Mary Kean, Mary Gallagher, Rohith De Silva, Mr/Mrs Peters, Zygmunt Zielinski, Julian: **Get Well Soon.**

Death Anniversaries this Week: Johnny Dunne, Andrew Mahon, David Loku, Stella M. A. Hayes, Jeramiah F Giltenan & Frances Connolly.

Priests: Mgr. Canon Leonard Emery, Mgr. Lawrence Emery. Fr. Hugh Marron, Canon Raymond Walsh, Fr Thomas Whittle, Fr Bernard Robertson, Fr Peter Dennison, Fr Emmanuel, Fr Paul Faulkner, Fr McGovern, Canon Gerald Hanlon & Fr Pat O'Sullivan.

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Parish Notices

Grants' Funding Applications: As mentioned earlier in our parish newsletter that two applications for smaller grants have been submitted for the funding of the new parish centre and we have been waiting the decision of the Trustees. I am delighted to be able to inform you now that our applications have been approved and been awarded with a **£10K** from (*The 29th. May 1961 Charitable Trust*) and **£5K** from (*Places Called Home*) – respectively. Plus the **£16K** received earlier from *Allchurches Trust*. This means that the total of pledged and received funds stands about £437k, and our remaining funding requirement has reduced to about £163k. We are grateful to all these organisations for their support. We are not too far away to meeting our target. Please keep praying!!!

Bernard Surely Foundation site visit: Renata, a representative from the above foundation visited our parish and had a fruitful meeting with us. Present in the meeting were: two diocesan fundraising committee members, two members of our parish finance committee (Chair & Secretary), Headteacher of St Elizabeth's School, and the parish priest. We hope that we shall get some small funding from this organisation. Thank you very much for your prayers.

Demolition of the Old Parish Hall in Process.

Here are some possible Key dates.

- Tender returns due by Friday 12th November
- Appointment of Contractor by Friday 19th November
- Anticipated start date of Monday 29th November

Updates for 200 Club: Monthly membership is only £2 (Or £24 a year). Remember only adults are registered. Thank you all for supporting this scheme. Next draw is Sunday 28th after Mass. Contact. **Sr. Joan or Tony.**

Parish Schools (Heads)

St. Elizabeth's

Mr Michael Doyle

Good Shepherd

Mr Andy McConville

Parish Church

Parish Co-ordinators:

Parish Office

Sr Joan Wafala

Parish Maintenance Leader

Joe McCadden

First Holy Communions

Mrs S Moran & Sr Olivia

Confirmations & RCIA

Miss A Harkin & Sr Olivia

Church Flowers

Children's Liturgy and

Parish Hall Booking

Mr Richard Swift

Safeguarding Officer

Miss Laura Srodon (Solicitor)

Church Music/Liturgy

Miss Laura Srodon

Gift Aid Scheme

Mr Stan Milewski

Chair of Parish Finance

Mr Tony Ashby

Sacristan

Miss Ann Harkin & Sr Joan

Altar Servers

Sr Joan and Aloysa Embate

CAFOD/SVP

Mr Kevin Vaughan

Justice and Peace:

Red Boxes

Mr Bob Ayliffe

Mass Times and Mass Intentions: Week 32 Ordinary Time Year B

Sunday 7th November	9:15am	Edwin & Christine Boden R.I.P.	32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B
Mon. 8th Nov.	11:15am	People of the Parish	
	9:15am	Charlie & Daisy Williams R.I.P. Richard Chiebowski R.I.P	
Weds. 10th	9:15am	David Loku (Anniv. R.I.P)	St Leo the Great
Thur. 11th	9:15am		St Martin of Tours
Friday 12th	6:30pm	Rev. Francis Opondo-Sp.Intention	St Josaphat
Sat. 13th	9:15am	Holy Souls	Our Lady
Sunday 14th November	9:15am	Alexander, Anthony Cooz, Lily Crase, Keethaponkalam, RIP	33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B
	11:15am	Nadine & Family. Thanksgiving	

Weekly Offertory and Donations.

Gift Aid Scheme £343. Non Gift Aid £187

Games Night £500. 200 Club £70. NPH £162

Prayer Request: Pope Francis launches prayer campaign for Laudato Si': On Sunday 14 November, the World Day of Prayer for the Poor, the Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development will begin offering Laudato Si' Planning Guides. Laudato Si' Planning Guides help you discern and implement your response to Laudato Si'. Your institution, community, or family is invited to make an early commitment to the planning process. [Sign up to the Laudato Si' Action Platform.](#) (on Birmingham diocesan website)

Month of the Holy Souls (November): Holy Souls envelopes are available at the back of the church, please make use of them as we usually do by placing the names of your beloved deceased family or friend in it and to be remembered at all Masses in the month of November. Use the same envelop for any donation for the Mass.

Continue to pray for COP26: The summit runs until Friday 12 November, we are invited to pray that the leaders and negotiators work together for positive outcomes for people and for our common home.. (Birmingham diocesan website)

Welcome to Latin classes! Sign up now: Lecturer Philip Marshall will lead a new Latin Programme with weekly, online evening classes, starting Friday 26 November. This follows the successful online Latin Summer School hosted by Maryvale Institute in July. The new weekly evening class is for those wishing to take a Beginners Level certificate in the language. [Sign up for Latin.](#) (Birmingham diocesan website)

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: 1 Kings 17:10-16; Ps. 145; Hebrews 9:24-28; Mk. 12:38-44

Beauty in Action

There is a legend of a saint whose wonderful deeds astonished the angels, who came to learn the secret of his piety. Everywhere the saint went he diffused virtue as the flowers give out perfume, without being aware of it. The angels asked that the saint should be given the gift of miracles, and God consented. They asked the saint, if he would like to heal the sick. "No," he replied, "I would rather leave it to God." He was asked, "Would you like to convert sinners and bring them back to the right path?" "No," said the saint, "it is the Spirit's mission to convert; I only pray." "Would you like to be a model of patience and draw men by piety?" "No, if men are attracted to me, they might be estranged from God." "What do you desire?" he replied, "That God would give me his grace to do a great deal of good without knowing it."

The angels were perplexed. Finally, they resolved that whenever the shadow of the man should fall where he could not see it, the shadow could cure and comfort sorrow. So it came to pass that, as the saint passed, the hearts of all were cheered wherever he walked.

The gesture of the woman in the gospel is one of the loveliest and most touching scenes in the Bible. The woman is so insignificant in herself, lost in a big crowd, lost among many rich people who were making a show of themselves. They were eager to practice their virtues in public. But the poor widow drops her two coins in quietly and in humility. But someone with a better yardstick of values evaluates it differently and makes a solemn declaration: "Truly, I say to you, this poor widow has put in more than all the others ...?" What makes her small contribution so great? It is the heart that makes all the difference. The rich who gave fat contributions did not really give up anything, as all their gifts were superfluous and with strings attached according to the gospel. This woman gave up really all that she had with no strings. Her heart was in her gift. In a generous gift, cheerfully given, a person reveals his/her superiority. In a free gift the soul smiles radiantly.

Look at this woman with wrinkled skin over a worn-out frame, materially of little value and weight. And watch the affluent crowd who vie with one another to parade their pride in the temple, house of prayer and worship! True worship is in spirit and in truth. The small contribution of a poor widow is a beautiful act of religion, an act of prayer, prayer of petition, thanksgiving, praise, and adoration. This is a concrete expression of her faith, hope and love. She is the living and lively illustration of the first beatitude. Only the poor can receive the good news and only they will be happy.

Every gift is a self-gift, in it, the spirit reaches out to another in love to share and care. Of all the gifts, the best gift is self-gift to God, the highest expression of religion and morality, liturgy, and worship. The eucharist is self-gift: from God to man, man to God, man to man and to all creation.
We are rich only through what we give, and poor only through what we refuse to give.