



THE PARISH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

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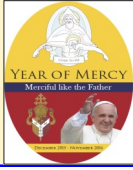


JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

BREVIARY: WEEK 1 OF PSALTER (YEAR C)

Saturday 23rd July to Sunday 31st July 2016



Masses & Events During This Week

| <u>Times</u> | <u>Intentions</u> | <u>Feasts</u> |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Saturday 23rd July | <i>Feast of St Bridget, R, Patron of Europe</i> | |
| 5.15 pm | Rosary, Litany and Angelus | |
| 6.00 pm | Anthony Adukuzhi (RIP) | |
| Sunday 24th July | <i>Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> | |
| 9.00 am | People of the Parish & Garrison | |
| 11.00 am | Billy Cook (RIP) followed by Baptism | |
| Monday 25th July | | <i>Feast of St James, A</i> |
| 9.30 am | John Greally (RIP) | |
| Tuesday 26th July | | <i>M of Ss Joachim & Anne</i> |
| 9.30 am | Alan Newson (RIP) | |
| 12 noon | Summer time Lunch at the JP11 | |
| 2.00 pm | Divine Mercy Chaplet | |
| Wednesday 27th July | | <i>Feria</i> |
| 9.30 am | Ints. of Nick Whitehead & Fiona Mansford | |
| Thursday 28th July | | <i>Feria</i> |
| 9.30am | Helen & Harry Dews (RIP) | |
| Friday 29th July | | <i>M of St Martha</i> |
| 12 noon | Fr Aldo Tapparo - 40th Anniversary of Ordination | |
| Saturday 30th July | | <i>Feria</i> |
| 8.30 am (BP) | Welfare of the Prisoners families | |
| 10.15 am | Jacob Matthew (RIP) | |
| 5.15 pm | Rosary, Litany and Angelus | |
| 6.00 pm | Willie & Nellie Lawlor (RIP) | |
| Sunday 31st July | <i>Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> | |
| 9.00 am | People of the Parish & Garrison | |
| 11.00 am | Fiona Beasley (RIP) followed by Baptism | |

Confessions: Saturday's: 10.45 am - 11.30 am & 5.00pm - 5.30pm

Refreshments served in John Paul II Centre after 9.00 am and 11 am Masses.

MONTH OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF JESUS This weekend's reflection in brief...

First Reading (Genesis 18:20-32) Abraham intercedes with God on behalf of Sodom, a city full of evil. We catch the flavour of the bargaining that might go on in an oriental bazaar with prices being ruthlessly slashed.

Second Reading (Colossians 2:12-14) Through Baptism a Christian is inserted into Christ's death and resurrection; he dies to the old sinful way of life, and rises to live a new life.

Gospel (Luke 11:1-13) The apostles ask Christ to teach them how to pray. In reply Christ urges them to come to the Father, and with childlike trust, to pray to him for all their spiritual and temporal needs.

The Mass is above all a great opportunity to pray. The Mass is a prayer - the greatest of all prayers. So let us make sure that we do pray it. The word of God will tell us the kind of things for which a Christian ought to pray. At the same time we have to open our hearts and make the prayers and needs of others our own.

Fr. John Y Batthula
Parish Priest

PRIESTLY SILVER JUBILEE OF FR JOHN ON FRIDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER 2016.

The Parish will be celebrating the Priestly Silver Jubilee celebration for Fr John. There will be a Mass held in the evening with reception in the John Paul II afterwards. Please pop the date in your diaries. Formal invitation is on the notice board and more information will follow.

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The Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham: Registered Charity No: 234216

Your prayers are requested for our sick parishioners and friends, especially those whose names appear below:

SICK OR HOUSEBOUND: J Ray, I Cook, M Smith, D Dee'le, M Wallace, M Smyth, B Hunt, C Whitehead, B Shepard, Sr. Alma, P Harris, G Newton, P C Busby, E Browne, E Cotter, J Hurst, L Lambert, F Ostrowski, S Clarke, J Fowler, J James, P Mears, B & D Weaver, S Stidston, P Dean, N Southey, E Stonell, A McCambridge, J Calver, J James, J O'Rourke, M Lewandowski, M May, A Davies, N Cahill, Mrs Curzon, M Kilby, J Calnan, A Kustra, C Brown, E Hawkins, M Starrett, E Bachelor, K Cashman, R Admans, Sr. Mary Humbert, C B Corpus, M Delos Santos, A Blakeley, W Babington, J Wickens, A Doniselli Morgan, W Stonell. Please contact the parish office if you wish your name to be added or taken off the sick list.

PIETY SHOP: Open around weekend Masses. Feel free to come and browse.

MONTHLY LUNCH The next one will be held on Tuesday 26th July at Noon. If you haven't been to one of our lunches, why don't you come?

NEW WELCOMERS: We need more volunteers, especially at the 11am Mass, if you or your family would like to volunteer, there is list on the notice board, please add your name. You will not be asked to do every week, more families that come forward, the less times you will be required.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE to St Aloysius and Littlemore, September 4th 2016 after 11am Mass returning approx. 5-6pm. Please add name/s if you would be interested in coming along, we need sufficient numbers for the trip to go ahead.

OHCT RIDE & STRIDE - SATURDAY - 10 SEPTEMBER - 10AM TO 6PM Sponsorship Forms are now available. If you are able to Ride, Stride or Welcome visitors from other Churches and Parishes for an hour or two please contact Tim Lane on 01869 277523. 50% of all sponsorship raised is passed on to Parish Funds, so please enjoy some exercise and support this terrific day if you possibly can.

ALTAR SERVERS: I would like to encourage children who made their First Holy Communion and others, that if they would like to become altar servers, please speak to Deacon Michael after one of the weekend Masses. They will be asked to attend a short training session.

PATTAYA TRUST The knitting ladies are in need of wool to make blankets for the children of the Pattaya Trust. If you have any you can donate, please leave any part used or new balls of wool at the back of church. Thank you.

COFFEE MORNING The next one is on 5th August at 10am, at the John Paul II Centre. Bits & Bobs table...homemade cakes...fresh coffee. See you there!

PARISH OFFICE Please phone to make sure it is open before making a trip to the office over the summer holidays. Thank you.

HOLY LAND: A couple more places are available. Get in touch me as soon as possible.

DIARY DATES

Cake and Produce Sale - First Sunday of the month.
TRADECRAFT Stall open every 3rd weekend of the month.
YOUTH GROUP -2nd,3rd,4th, Mondays in month. 7.15 pm-8.30 pm Term time only.
BABY AND TODDLER Term time Thursday 9.15-10.45am at Presentation Convent.
CHILDREN'S LITURGY- Sunday at 9.00 am Mass.
PRESENTATION ASSOC. Monthly meetings first Wednesday of month.
100 CLUB DRAW After 9.00am Mass last Sunday of the month.
 5th August Coffee Morning 10am
23rd August - Summer Holiday Lunch at 12 noon
23rd September: Father John's Silver Jubilee celebrations
3rd December: Christmas Fayre
4th March 2017 - Confirmations

CAFOD volunteers needed! Could you visit your local Catholic school to talk about the work of CAFOD? We are looking for volunteers in this area to give a short presentation or talk about the work of CAFOD with children and young people to help make a difference. For further information please contact CAFOD Birmingham on 01922 722944 or email birmingham@cafod.org.uk.

Forthcoming Weddings:

Stephen Huntley & Jasmin Smith - 3rd September at 1.00 pm
 Sean McPherson & Julie-Anne Cullinan - 10th September at 2.00pm

Prayer for the Year of Mercy

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us to be merciful like the heavenly Father, and have told us that whoever sees you sees Him. Show us your face and we will be saved. Your loving gaze freed Zachaeus and Matthew from being enslaved by money; the adulteress and Magdalene from seeking happiness only in created things; made Peter weep after his betrayal, and assured Paradise to the repentant thief. Let us hear, as if addressed to each one of us, the words that you spoke to the Samaritan woman:

"If you knew the gift of God!"

You are the visible face of the invisible Father, of the God who manifests his power above all by forgiveness and mercy: let the Church be your visible face in the world, its Lord risen and glorified. You willed that your ministers would also be clothed in weakness in order that they may feel compassion for those in ignorance and error: let everyone who approaches them feel sought after, loved, and forgiven by God. Send your Spirit and consecrate every one of us with its anointing, so that the Jubilee of Mercy may be a year of grace from the Lord, and your Church, with renewed enthusiasm, may bring good news to the poor, proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed, and restore sight to the blind.

We ask this through the intercession of Mary, Mother of Mercy, you who live and reign with the Father & the Holy Spirit for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Blessed John Henry Newman - Pray for us

Blessed Dominic Barberi - Pray for us

Bullington Prison Chaplaincy Duty

Every Thursday 8.30 am - 5.30 pm. Every Friday 8.30 am - 11.30 am.
 Every Saturday 8.30 am - 3.00 pm.

| Teams For Sunday the: | 24/7 | 31/7 | 7/8 | 14/8 | 21/8 |
|------------------------|-------|-------|-------|--------------|------|
| Counting (8) No team 4 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 6 |
| Cleaning (7) | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Children lit. (5) | none | none | none | none | None |
| Coffee 9am (14) | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 1 |
| Coffee 11am (7/8) | 4 | 8 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| Flowers | Sandy | Sally | Sally | Sandy/Eileen | Jo |
| Tradecraft | | | | open | |

Collections

The 2nd collection this weekend is for Parish Maintenance.

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PARISH OFFERINGS

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| GA | £280.96 |
| Loose | £376.67 |
| 2 nd GA | £115.78 |
| 2 nd Loose | £178.33 |
| Total | £ 951.74 |

Thanksgiving to God and for the work of His Church.

| | Extr. Minister | Extr. Minister | Extr. Minister | Extr. Minister | Reader | Reader | Welcomer | Welcomer |
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| 24th July | | | | | | | | |
| Saturday 6pm | M Edgar | S Haydon | S Jacob | S Wilde | A Nelson | P Sims | Teni and | Fred Berg |
| Sunday 9am | L Weaver | R Weaver* | M Daniel | C St John | W Mander -c | C Moyse | Barbara | |
| Sunday 11am | F Thornley | B Tah | O Panejko | S Lawrence | T O'Callaghan | J Hurst | Susan Grose | |
| 31st July | | | | | | | | |
| Saturday 6pm | B Thompson | D Zanre | M Thompson | I Foley | C Hall | A Hall | S Wilde | S Drury |
| Sunday 9am | A Mutton | J Varghese | J Mutton | J Flynn | J Nugent -c | R McDonald | Crook Family | K. Riley |
| Sunday 11am | F Thornley | F Ostrowski | E King* | H King* | S Grose | I Ziegart | Mary Lynch | |

MASS ATTENDANCE LAST WEEKEND: Saturday 6.00 pm: 90, Sunday 9.00 am: 135, 11.00 am: 160 Total: 385