



THE PARISH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION



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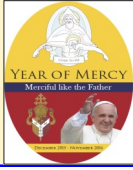
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JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY

Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

BREVIARY: WEEK 1 OF PSALTER (YEAR C)
Saturday 15th October to Sunday 23rd October 2016



Masses & Events During This Week

<u>Times</u>	<u>Intentions</u>	<u>Feasts</u>
Saturday 15th October		<i>St Teresa of Jesus</i>
5.15 pm	Rosary, Litany and Angelus	
6.00 pm	Ints of Sonia Drury	
Sunday 16th October	<i>Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	
9.00 am	People of the Parish & Garrison - Confirmation Enrolment Mass	
11.00 am	In thanksgiving for Fr John followed by Baptisms	
Monday 17th October		<i>St Ignatius of Anatioch</i>
9.30 am	Boleslaw Lepkowski (RIP)	
7.00pm	Reception of body - Cristina Milia (RIP)	
7.15 pm	Youth Group	
Tuesday 18th October		<i>Feast of St Luke</i>
10.00 am	Funeral Mass - Cristina Milia (RIP)	
2.00 pm	Divine Mercy Chaplet	
7pm	Training for new Readers & Extraordinary Ministers	
Wednesday 19th October		<i>Feria</i>
9.30 am (Sch)	Charles Lebihan	
Thursday 20th October		<i>Feria</i>
9.30 am	Agapita Corpus (RIP)	
2pm	Woman's Catholic League - Information Meeting	
Friday 21st October		<i>Feria</i>
12 noon	Pamela Miller (80th Birthday)	
Saturday 22nd October		<i>Feria</i>
8.30 am (BP)	Welfare of the Prisoners families	
10.15 am	Ints of Clare Charles	
5.15 pm	Rosary, Litany and Angelus	
6.00 pm	Joy and Barri Martin (Diamond Wedding)	
Sunday 23rd October	<i>Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	
9.00 am	People of the Parish & Garrison	
11.00 am	Anna & Tony Gover - 5th Wedding Anniversary followed by Baptisms	

Confession: Saturdays: 10.50 - 11.30 am & 5.00 pm - 5.30pm & other times by appointment.

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

October is the month of the Holy Rosary

Message In Brief...

First Reading: (Ex. 17:8-13) This relates the first battle fought by the Israelites after their deliverance from Egypt. They are victorious, not through their own power, but through the power of God which comes to them as a result of the prayer of Moses.

Second Reading: (2 Tim 3: 14-4:2) Paul instructs Timothy to abide in the sound doctrine which he has been taught since childhood, and to be zealous in preaching the message of Jesus.

Gospel: (Luke 18: 1-8) Jesus exhorts his disciples to pray continually and never to grow discouraged.

Prayer is a good test of our commitment to Christ. How often do we pray? What kind of things do we pray for? Do we pray only for material things or when we are in trouble? We pray too seldom. Everything else tends to come before prayer. And even when we do pray often our hearts are empty and our minds distracted by other things.

Fr. John Y Batthula
Parish Priest



Parish Fundraising Committee Due to unforeseen circumstances the meeting scheduled for 17th October will now take place on Tuesday 8th November at 7.30pm. Apologise for any inconvenience caused.

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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, C Busby, E Browne, E Cotter, J Hurst, P Dean, L Lambert, F Ostrowski, S Clarke, J Fowler, J James, P Mears, B & D Weaver, S Stidston, N Southey, E Stonell, A McCambridge, J Caher, J James, J O'Rourke, M Lewandowski, M May, A Davies, N Cahill, Mrs Curzon, M Kilby, J Calnan, A Kustra, C Brown, M Starrett, E Batchelor, K Cashman, R Admans, Sr: Mary Humbert, C B Corpus, M Delos Santos, A Blakeley, W Babington, J Wickens, A Doniselli Morgan, W Stonell, Julie Chapman, John Busby, John Knox. Please contact the parish office if you wish your name to be added or taken off the sick list.

PARISH DEANERY VISITATION On the weekend of 29th/30th October Archbishop Bernard Langley will visit our parish and preach at all Masses. On Saturday 29th October, a social evening after the 6pm Vigil Mass will be held at the John Paul II Centre, with an opportunity to meet the Archbishop. All parishioners are warmly invited to all events.

PARISH MEETING (IN THE JP II) DATE

24th October 7.30pm Pastoral Committee Meeting.

PROCLAIM Building Missionary Parishes - Archdiocese of Birmingham. 'Using Social Media for Parish Catechesis and Evangelisation' Wednesday 9th November from 7pm-9pm in the John Paul II Centre. All Welcome!

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE If joining this group interests you please come along to a meeting on Thursday 20th October at 2pm at the John Paul II Centre. Contact Janet Marhsall

November—Month of Holy Souls

6th November 11am Mass - Mass for Lost Loved ones followed by blessing of graves in the Foynes Memorial Garden. Vespers & Benediction followed by Blessing of Graves at Bicester Cemetery at 3.30pm. **Remembrance Sunday 13th** - Please note that Masses will remain the same at 9am & 11am this year and refreshments in the John Paul II Centre will be held as usual. **20th November 11am Mass - Feast of Christ the King.** All children (and their families) who have been baptised since last November are invited to attend. 1st Holy Communion Enrolment will take place during this Mass as well as the Closing of Year of Mercy – Bishop Robert Byrne -Principal Celebrant.

We welcome **The Community of Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal**, Leeds, who are visiting our parish and school as part of the Year of Mercy Celebrations this weekend from 14th –16th October. The Community of Franciscan Sisters of the Renewal was established in 1988 under the auspices of John Cardinal O'Connor of New York, with Fr. Andrew Apostoli, CFR, as Founding Father. The aim of the Community is to live the Gospel values in simplicity according to the ideals of Saint Francis as handed on by the Capuchin tradition.



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.
25th October - Autumn Lunch at 12 noon
11th November Coffee Morning 10am - 11.45 am
22nd November - Festive Lunch at 12 noon
3rd December: Christmas Fayre 11am –2pm at the John Paul II Centre
9 th December - Coffee Morning 10am - 11.45 am
10th December: Filipino Day of Prayer - 3.30pm
4th March 2017 - Confirmations
30th March: Closing celebrations of Deanery Parish Visitations at 7pm
Please see red leaflets with more information on all events.

VISITING THE SICK IN NURSING HOMES Extraordinary Ministers who visit sick parishioners in nursing homes are kindly asked to cooperate with nursing homes to which they regularly visit regarding DBS (Disclosure Barring Service) checks. We are fortunate that we have a large number of volunteers who dedicate their time to visit the sick with Holy Communion. As representatives of the church it is essential that you cooperate, for your own protection and theirs. Please contact the parish office or speak to the clergy if you need further information. Thank you for your cooperation with this matter.

SYMPATHY We extend our very deepest sympathy and assurance our of prayers to the family and friends of Joan Smith. Funeral details will be announced in due course. *May she rest in peace.*

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 Zacchaeus 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

Teams For Sunday the:	16/10	23/10	30/10	6/10
Counting (8)	5	6	7	8
Cleaning (7)	1	2	3	4
Children lit. (5)	4	5	1	2
Coffee 9am (14)	9	10	11	12
Coffee 11am (8)	8	1	2	3
Flowers	Sandy	Kathryn	Kathryn	Sally
Tradecraft	OPEN			

Collections
 The 2nd collection this weekend will be for Parish Maintenance.
 The 2nd collection next weekend will be for **APF World Mission Sunday**

PARISH OFFERINGS

	1 st GA	£394.70
	1 st Loose	£296.87
	Total:	£691.57
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	GA	£107.47
	Loose	£272.00
	Total:	£379.47

An thanksgiving to God and for the work of His Church.

16th October	Extr. Minister	Extr. Minister	Extr. Minister	Extr. Minister	Reader	Reader	Welcomer	Welcomer
Saturday 6pm	S Haydon	S Jacob	S Wilde	volunteer	H Lawlor	A Nelson	Mandy	Tish
Sunday 9am	K Coffey	P Pickering	K Riley	C St John	St Mary's	Children	St Marys	Children
Sunday 11am	A Jones	B Tah	O Panejko	S Lawrence	R Evans	I Cook	Jonathan	
23rd October								
Saturday 6pm	B Thompson	D Zanre	M Thompson	I Foley	J Latham	L Hook	Janet	Louisa
Sunday 9am	N Conway	E Conway	S Doherty	M Doherty	C St John	O Coffey	Volunteer	Shebin
Sunday 11am	F Thornley	H King*	E King*	J Hanna	A Kearsley	volunteer	Susan	