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**Welcome to this House
of God:**
Talk to God before Mass
**Listen to God during
Mass**
Talk to others after Mass

Today's Mass Readings
Jeremiah 1: 4-5, 17-19;
Psalm 70;
1 Corinthians 12: 31 - 13: 13
Luke 4: 21-30

This Week 3rd February - 10th February (Psalter Week 4)	Holy Mass & Services	Other Events
Sunday 3rd February Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C Retiring Collection for Life	8.30 am Anna Wilson (EK) 10.30 am Intentions of CB (P & CI) 6.00 pm Lucy Phillips (KA)	After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea in the Hall 10.30 am: FHC Commitment Mass Piety Stall available
Monday 4th February Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Holy Mass	12.30 pm - 2.00 pm: Community Meal 7.00 pm: SVP Meeting
Tuesday 5th February Memorial of St. Agatha, Virgin, Martyr	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Intentions of Aidan Skinner (SVP)	7.00 pm: Reception of the Body
Wednesday 6th February Memorial of St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Peggy & Denis Ryan (BB) 11.00 am Requiem Mass	1.00 pm - 9.00 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 7.30 pm: Justice & Peace Group Meeting
Thursday 7th February Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Holy Mass	11.00 am: Church Tour (Private Visit)
Friday 8th February Feria in Ordinary Time	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Holy Mass	
Saturday 9th February Feria in Ordinary Time	10.30 am Holy Rosary 11.00 am Holy Mass	11.30 am: FHC Preparation for Parish Children
Sunday 10th February Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C	8.30 am People of the Parish 10.30 am Holy Mass 6.00 pm Holy Mass	After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea in the Hall Traidcraft Stall available

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REPRESENTATIVES**

Gerry Ceclich
Cynthia Sharkey

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

8.30 am & 10.30 am: My lips will tell of your help.

10.30 am: Chorus of Hymn 979 (Laudate).

6.00 pm: Faith in God can move the mountains, trust in him
can calm the sea. He's my fortress, he's my strong
hold, he's the rock who rescues me. (70 Songs of New
Life).

PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS

Please pray for all our parishioners, and/or their friends and relatives, who
are unwell:

Ralph & Milly Arnold, Mary Arulandhu, Barbara Conway, Patrick Cussen,
Eddie & Eileen Dalton, Delores Delaney, Bernadette Duffy, Alan Francis,
Beryl Hill, Alan Hurst, John Jennings, Kevin McCorry, Rosemarie Preece,
Barbara Quigley, Michael Sheridan, Aidan Skinner, Jacky Smith, David Veale,
Breda Wightman, Mark Wightman, Richard Wightman & Brigid Yates

**Due to the new data regulations (GDPR), the Archdiocese have requested
that we do not list names unless we have the consent of the individual. If
you would like your name to be included in this list please contact
Fr. George SCJ or Kate Dalglish. Please note that the newsletter is also
placed on the parish website. Thank you for your understanding.**

RECENTLY DECEASED

Your prayers are asked for **Mike Jennings** and **Marie Marguerite Hopkins**
who died recently. The Requiem Mass for Marie Hopkins will be on
Wednesday 6th February at 11.00 am. This will be followed by a cremation
at 1.00 pm at Worcester Crematorium. The Reception of her Body will be
on Tuesday 5th February at 7.00 pm. May their souls and the souls of all the
faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Please also
remember their family members and friends in your kind thoughts and
prayers.

DEANERY VISITATION

Archbishop Bernard Longley will be visiting the parish from Saturday 16th
until Sunday 17th February. As part of this visit we would like to invite group
leaders to write a brief report of their groups activities during 2018. As well
as an outline of the groups activities, this could also include strengths of the
group as well as areas that could be improved or any concerns you may
have. These reports will be presented to the Archbishop, preferably by rep-
resentatives of the parish groups, in the Parish Hall after the 10.30 am Mass
on Sunday 17th February. As well as the presentation of reports, there will
also be a shared table. This is open to all. Please could anyone who would
like to attend indicate the number of people in their party and also what
they plan to bring to the shared table. There is a clipboard at the back of
church. If there are any questions, please contact the Parish Office.

THANK YOU

Thank you to all the Eucharistic Ministers who led Holy Communion
Services whilst Fr. George was away. Your help is much appreciated.

WEDNESDAY ADORATION

In view of the funeral on Wednesday 6th February, please note Adoration will start at 1.00 pm. If anyone would like to pledge to watch in front of the Blessed Sacrament please contact Catherine Ingram on 01905 778053. Thank you.

PARISH CENTENARY CELEBRATION: 2019 - 2021

The Centenary Celebrations will start on Friday June 28th 2019, Feast of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. 2019 is the Centenary of the laying of the Foundation Stone. The celebration will continue until 2021. 2021 is the Centenary of when the first Mass was celebrated. Further details about the celebration will be released in due course. We invite all of you to write a prayer for the success of this celebration. The deadline for submitting prayers is Ash Wednesday. Please submit prayers to the Parish Office. The best prayer will be selected for use in the church during the period of celebration.

LENT RETREAT

Following the successful Lent Retreat in Scotland in 2018, this year a similar retreat is being offered throughout the UK through the "Pathways to God" website. The retreat offers an opportunity to deepen our knowledge of scripture and an introduction to different methods of prayer. The aim is to help people know, love and serve Jesus Christ more deeply. Every day in Lent there will be a suggested scripture reading with suggested ways to pray with the text and additional resources available online. Participants can pray daily during Lent using the online prayer materials, which can be printed for people who would find this easier (this individual time of prayer is at home or wherever you wish). They come together as a group once a week to share how their prayer has been going and to be led through different ways of praying by people involved in Ignatian spirituality networks. If you think you may be interested, please contact Kate

ASHRAY PARISH MILLENNIUM PROJECT

Thank you to everyone for the donations of CDs, DVDs, laptops and stationery collected via St Joseph's School. John and Gina and their daughter Catherine will be going to India to visit the Ashray School on Thursday 7th February. There will be a presentation and report on the visit in the church hall on Friday 22nd March at 7.00 pm. Please put that date in your diaries. While we are away you can follow us on Facebook where there will be daily posts at www.facebook.com/ashraydroitwich. We ask that you keep this project in your prayers.

SACRED HEART LADIES GROUP

WEDNESDAY 20TH FEBRUARY 7.30 PM - 9.00 PM

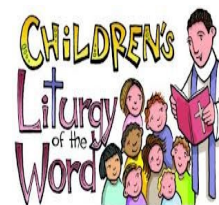
With the title of 'Toys with Memories' we are delighted to welcome one of our parishioners, Sue Nixon, along to introduce us to some interesting toys/games from bygone days. Sue will also be accompanied by Georgie who will be making one of his rare appearances!! This could be a trip down memory lane for some of us, so if anyone would like to bring along a 'treasure' it would be a great opportunity to exchange stories and share possible childhood memories. Tea/coffee/biscuits will be available during the meeting and we look forward to a full house.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION : PARISH CHILDREN

FHC Classes for parish children who have made their Commitment will commence on Saturday 9th February at 11.30 am in the Parish Hall.

FOODBANK

A new wish from Foodbank is on the noticeboard. Items can be placed in the box at the entrance to church. Thank you for your generosity.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY

There will be Children's Liturgy on the following dates during the 10.30 am Sunday Mass:

- 10th February
- 3rd March
- 10th March
- 17th March
- 24th March
- 31st March
- 7th April.

JUSTICE AND PEACE GROUP

The next meeting of Justice and Peace Group is on Wednesday 6th February at 7.30 pm in the Elgar Room. The group will be starting to plan future events and discuss the need for new members.

Main Collection:

£228.07

Gift Aid: £263.60

Mass Attendance

Last Sunday: 275

**Thank you for
supporting your
Parish.**

**ARCHDIOCESE OF
BIRMINGHAM
NEWSLETTER**

There are two copies of
the latest newsletter
from the Archdiocese at
the back of church.

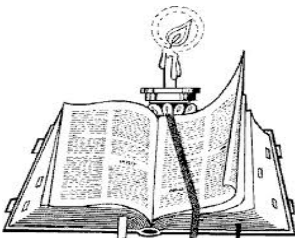
**ST. JOSEPHINE
BAKHITA DAY**

Friday 8th February is
the Feast of Saint
Bakhita, the patron
saint of victims of
modern slavery and
human trafficking.

Please see the
noticeboard for
further information.

DROITWICH SVP

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Next Sunday's Mass

Readings

Isaiah 6: 1-8;

Psalms 137;

1 Corinthians 15: 1-11

Luke 5: 1-11

2019 OFFICIAL CATHOLIC DIRECTORY OF ENGLAND AND WALES

This directory will soon be available and can be pre-ordered at www.thecatholicuniverse.com/ecd2019 or by contacting 0161 908 5301. The cost is £46.50 including postage and packing.

THANK YOU FROM TRAIDCRAFT EXCHANGE

The Traidcraft stall runs at a small profit and after many years of running, we have recently been able to send a donation of £500 to Traidcraft Exchange which is the charity arm of Traidcraft. This is in addition to the sale of each item on the stall helping to directly benefit the producer. Traidcraft Exchange helps to support small farmers and businesses in developing countries to lift themselves out of poverty and be able to afford the things we take for granted such as education for their children. We have received a thank you letter which is on the notice board at the back of church. Thank you to all of you who have supported the Traidcraft stall over the years and helped to change peoples' lives.

FRIENDS OF THE HOLY LAND

Thank you for your Christmas Crib offerings of £74.73. Last year the crib offerings enabled Friends of the Holy Land to support around 200 ad hoc emergency requests for help with the cost of operations, medication, medical equipment and family support. With no NHS the cost of these is often prohibitive, putting families who are already struggling into a desperate situation.

ALTAR SERVERS MASS AT ST. CHAD'S CATHEDRAL

The Guild of St. Stephen's Thanksgiving Mass will take place on Saturday 9th February at 12 Noon. All Altar Servers and their families are invited to attend. Please confirm your attendance as soon as possible to kathryn@vocations.org.uk.

DROITWICH SPA MEETING CENTRE

The Droitwich Spa Meeting Centre provides a welcoming, safe and engaging environment for people with a diagnosis of dementia and their family. The Centre helps individuals to adapt to their diagnosis, offers assistance & practical support and a range of meaningful activities based on the interests and needs of the people attending. Membership has increased over the past months. This means that it would be helpful to have some volunteers to help over the lunchtime, 12.00 noon until 2.00 pm, to help with serving lunch and making/serving drinks etc. If you are able to help or would like more information please Tel: 01905 740950 or email mcsp@ageukhw.org.uk. The centre is based at Droitwich Rugby Club.

SAVE THE DATES

Please note the following dates in your diaries:

Saturday 16th February and Sunday 17th February 2019

Archbishop Deanery Visitation (Sacred Heart Parish)

Friday 28th June 2019

Parish Centenary Celebrations begin