

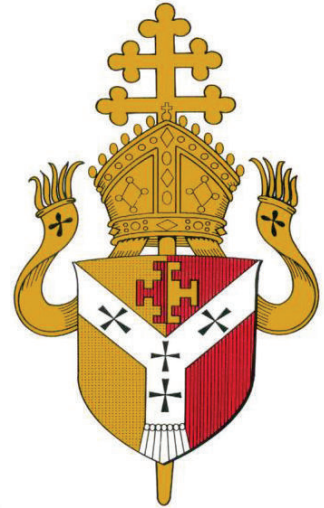
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TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY

11th September 2011

Sunday: Cycle A; Weekday: Year 1; Divine Office: Psalter Week 4

Entrance Antiphon: Give peace, Lord, to those who wait for you and your prophets will proclaim you as you deserve. Hear the prayers of your servant and of your people Israel.

Responsorial Psalm: The Lord is compassion and love, slow to anger and rich in mercy.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Speak, Lord, your servant is listening; you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: O God, how much we value your mercy! All mankind can gather under your protection.

Hand bags & personal property: please do not leave unattended – especially when going to receive Holy Communion.

Please do not park in the coach bay outside of the cathedral reception – even with a disabled badge - you will get a parking ticket!!

Mass Times 10th-18th September 2011

Sat 10th	Feria
10am	Roman Zapior
	Vigil of Twenty Fourth Sunday
	Racial Justice Sunday
4.30pm	Jenny & Howard Drake
Sun 11th	Twenty Fourth Sunday
9am	People of the Parish
11am	Malcolm Spencer-Williams RIP
Mon 12th	Feria
12.15pm	Joe Bradley
Tue 13th	St John Chrysostom
12.15pm	Kitty Carroll
Wed 14th	Exaltation of the Holy Cross
12.15pm	Deceased members of Brennan Family
Thu 15th	Our Lady of Sorrows
12.15pm	Teresa Hamilton
Fri 16th	St Cornelius & St Cyprian
12.15pm	Michael Burke RIP
Sat 17th	Feria
10am	People of the Parish
	Vigil of Twenty Fifth Sunday
4.30pm	Bernard & Gladys Nevitt
Sun 18th	Twenty Fifth Sunday
	Home Mission Sunday
9am	Kitty & Jim McEvilly
11am	Mary Cotterill RIP

Cathedral Finances

Offertory Collections

Gift Aid £89 Loose £472.59 Total £561.59*

Special Collection this Sunday for Racial Justice

Thank you for your generosity.

Gift Aid can be taken out at any time of the year. It is a valuable source of additional income to the Cathedral at no extra cost to the parishioners.

Please contact Rev Peter Tibke at Cathedral House 0121 2306208 for details on Gift Aid and other finance matters.

Wills and Bequests – The Cathedral Parish has benefitted greatly in the past from the thoughtfulness of all parishioners who have nominated the Parish to receive funds from their estate.

ROTAS (under development)

Eucharistic Ministers

Readers

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Confessions are available after the 12.15pm Mass during the week, Monday to Friday, and following the 4.30pm Vigil Mass on Saturday afternoon. Also, there is an opportunity for Confession after the 10.00am Mass on Saturday during Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

Sacrament of Baptism:

Anyone seeking baptism for their children or themselves, please contact Canon Gerry or Sr. Thérèse.

Messe en Français

every first Sunday of the Month at 2.30pm for our French speaking parishioners.

Next date - **Sunday 2nd October**

Prayer Intentions

- We pray for all those who are ill especially: Alwen Griffiths, Hector Alphonse, and all of the children at the Children's Hospital.
- For those who have died recently especially Mgr Tom Fallon. We pray also for those whose anniversaries occur about this time and in particular Most Rev George Patrick Dwyer and the victims of 9/11.

A warm welcome to all of our visitors. Welcome to all of our visitors, especially if this is your first visit. With our main Choir on vacation, we welcome various Parish Choirs from around the diocese and beyond. This week we welcome the choir from Holy Trinity, Sutton Coldfield. If we can be of any help to our visitors, please introduce yourself to one of the priests or a member of staff. If you are new to the Cathedral Parish, please let us have your details by email or letter. We are grateful for the assistance of Fr. Gerry Lennon and Fr. Chris Marshall with our Cathedral Masses and Confessions.

Faith Leaders: Please see the note below!

Cathedral Narthex (Porch): is being decorated at present. You can still access the Cathedral. We apologise for any inconvenience.

Children & the Sacraments: if you have children not attending a Catholic school who are eligible to receive the Sacraments of Confession and Holy Communion (those aged 7 or more in June 2012) or children who are to be Confirmed (10 or 11 years old this November). We are commencing Instruction Classes in October, to be held on Saturdays. Please give full details to Fr Gerry or Sr Thèrèse .

Adult Instruction in the Faith: we are beginning informal talks on the Faith for any adult who is thinking about becoming a member of the Church. These talks will be held on Thursday evenings. All details or enquiries to Fr Gerry or Sr Thèrèse .

Readers & Ministers of Holy Communion: on Tuesday 20th September at 7pm there will be a get together for all currently involved in these ministries. We are also looking for more people to volunteer to assist at any of our Masses. Open to all.

The New Translation of the Mass: We have begun using the New Translation and thank you for your positive comments. There are simple photocopies available for the People's Responses at the rear of the Cathedral. However, it is advisable for you to purchase a Card or Booklet which includes ALL of the prayers and texts. There is a variety available from the Cathedral Bookshop. The Staff will be happy to advise you.

'The Wednesday Word': A missionary initiative promoted by Archbishop Bernard and the Diocesan Education Service. A very effective way of sharing the Scriptures in our parishes, homes and schools. It is very simple: make time on Wednesday of each week to spend a little time in prayer as family, or friends, and using the sheet provided, to reflect on the Word of God which we will share in Mass the following Sunday. Although we are using this in our schools, the purpose is to bring together our Parish, Homes and Schools. For more information, please visit our Website, or www.wednesdayword.org

The sheet for next Sunday's Liturgy of the Word is available at the back of the Cathedral.

Second Fridays – Young Adults Mass. 7.30pm at the Cathedral. This is an opportunity to meet other young Catholics. Our time together will include a short period of discussion on topical

issues; followed by Mass; ending with tea or coffee. All are welcome, especially if you are new to the area.

School Educational Visits this week: Mon. 12th Sept. – St. Wilfrid's, Castle Bromwich; Tues. 13th Sept. – St. Osburg's, Coventry; Wed. 14th Sept. – St. Augustine's, Coventry.

Day of Prayer for Vocations will be held at St. Mary's College, Oscott on Sunday 11th September and at St. Patrick's, Dudley Road on Monday 12th September.

Parish & Deanery Events

Sun 11th Sept Racial Justice Sunday – Theme: **Created by God, treated like slaves; tackling human trafficking** – Prayer Service at St. Anne's Church, Alcester Street from 5.30-6.15pm.

Sat 17th Sept Blessed John Henry Newman Institute of Liturgical Music will be launched at the **Oratory, Hagley Road** commencing with registration at **9.30am**. For full details of courses and registration forms (to be sent by 10 September) are available from the Oratory Tel: 0121 454 0496 Email: admin@oratorymusic.org.uk or visit www.oratorymusic.org.uk

Diocesan Events

Sat 17th Sept Maryvale Institute Open Day from **10.00am-4.30pm**. Maryvale offers a comprehensive range of courses central to the life and mission of the Church. For further information please Tel: 0121 360 8118 or visit www.maryvale.ac.uk

Mon 19th Sept Newman Association Birmingham Circle Lecture – To be held at the **Plough & Harrow Hotel** (Lucullean Room), **Hagley Road** from **8.00-10.00pm**. "*The New Translation of the Liturgy*" given by Fr. George Grynowski LL.B. Limited spaces, please send SAE to Secretary Winifred Flanagan, 123 Groveley Lane, Birmingham B31 4QA to book a place.

Tue 20th Sept St. Paul's School for Girls Open Evening for September 2012 Year 7 Intake to be held at the School, Vernon Road, B16 9SL from **6.00-9.00pm**.

Sat 24th Sept CAFOD Connect2 Project – Our Lady and St. Hubert's Church, Bleakhouse Road, B68 0TQ commencing with **Mass at 10.00am**. Further information from Vincent Burke Tel: 0121 422 1573 or Email: vburke44@blueyonder.co.uk

Ecumenical Events

Mon 12th Sept Birmingham Faith Leaders Group – Morning pilgrimage around Birmingham's faith centres commencing at Guru Nanak Gurdwara, Soho Road at 9.00, reaching **St. Chad's Cathedral** at **9.15am**.

Sun 18th Sept Apollo Sinfonia in the Cure Parkinson's Trust 'Illuminate Concert' to be held in the **Adrian Boulton Hall** at **7.00pm**. Tickets (£15/£5) available from **Adrian Boulton Box Office Tel: 0121 331 5901**.



Our Newsletter & Website: as you can see this is 'a work in progress'. We will continue to experiment till we get it right! Any items for publication should be sent in no later than Thursday please!