



Metropolitan Cathedral & Basilica of St Chad
St Chad's Queensway, Birmingham, B4 6EU



Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

17th June 2012

The Bi-Centenary of A.W. Pugin
(1812-1852)

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LARGE PRINT LITURGY OF THE WORD AVAILABLE FROM THE SACRISTY

Sunday: Cycle B; Weekday: Year 2; Divine Office: Psalter Week 3

Entrance Antiphon: O Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to you; be my help. Do not abandon or forsake me, O God, my Saviour!

Responsorial Psalm: It is good to give you thanks, O Lord.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: There is one thing I ask of the Lord, only this do I seek; to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.

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 Blue Badge - you will get a parking ticket!!

Mass Times 16th – 24th June 2012

Sat 16th The Immaculate Heart of Mary

10am Neda Todhunter RIP

4.30pm People of the Parish (Vigil)

Sun 17th Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

9am Paul Turner RIP

11am Birmingham Catholic Rambling Club

Mon 18th Dedication of St. Chad's Cathedral

12.15pm Catherine Soubai

Tue 19th Weekday in Ordinary Time

12.15pm David Wagg

Wed 20th Weekday in Ordinary Time

12.15pm Les Brooker RIP

Thu 21st St. Aloysius Gonzaga

9.15am Mass at St Chad's School

12.15pm Mary Ann Wallis RIP

Fri 22nd St. John Fisher & St. Thomas More

12.15pm Willie Flaherty RIP

7pm Young Adults Mass

Sat 23rd Weekday in Ordinary Time

10am Patrick Hayes RIP

4.30pm Thomas Flaherty RIP (Vigil)

Sun 24th Solemnity of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist

9am People of the Parish (Vigil)

11am John Gibbons RIP

Followed by our Parish Meeting in the Grimshaw Room.

A polite request: would all who receive Communion in their hand please ensure that you consume the Host immediately rather than walk away still holding the Host. Would parents, in particular, ensure that children are aware of this please? It avoids the embarrassment of the Priest or Minister of Holy Communion having to follow someone down the Cathedral to ensure that they have consumed the Blessed Sacrament. Thank you. A gentle but important request.

Cathedral Collections

Last Sunday: Loose £635.98

Gift Aid £70.00

Second Collection next week for Peter's Pence

Gift Aid envelopes are available for those who pay tax.

Thank you for your kindness and generosity!

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. Thèrèse.

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 230 6208 for details on Gift Aid and other finance matters.

Wills & Bequests – Your Cathedral has benefitted greatly in the past from the thoughtfulness of parishioners who have remembered the Cathedral in their Wills. Some have funded particular projects in Memoriam of loved ones. God bless you for your kindness.

Prayer Intentions

We pray for all those who are ill especially: Frs.: Tony Taylor, Peter Rogers, Frank Rowe & John Berry; Deacons: Trevor Smith & David McCarroll; also: Mike Stanley, Sheila Barr, Lorraine Grant, Mariu Mugnaini, Alwen Griffiths, Hector Alphonse, Benedict Symonds, Peter Taroni, Barbara Saint, Bridie Kearney; and the children in the Children's Hospital.

For all who have died recently, and those whose anniversaries occur about this time, including: Frs.: Hubert Mooney, George Smith, Eric Morgan & Geoffrey Tucker. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

Prayer Intentions of the Holy Father for the Month of June:

General: - Christ, Present in the Eucharist: That believers may recognize in the Eucharist the living presence of the Risen One who accompanies them in daily life. **Missionary:** – European Christians: That Christians in Europe may rediscover their true identity and participate with greater enthusiasm in the proclamation of the Gospel.

A Word of Welcome to our Cathedral & our 'Second Spring' Flower Festival: we welcome all of our visitors, especially if this is your first visit. If we can be of help to any of our visitors, please introduce yourself to one of the priests or a member of staff. We hope you enjoy our Flower Festival and be sure to make use of the information leaflets available at the back of the Cathedral. In addition to our school visits this coming week, we welcome the following groups: the Birmingham Catholic Rambling Club; our Diocesan Trustees; the Union of Catholic Mothers; the Midland Catholic Historical Society; the Knights of St. Columba Youth Committee & the Young Adults & Students for our 'Second Friday' Mass this Friday.

A Word of Thanks to all who have given so much of their time and talents in arranging the floral displays. A special word of thanks to our Sacristy Staff & Volunteers who arrange our flowers throughout the year and who have excelled themselves for this Festival. Our thanks too to Liz Wainhouse and the Flower Girls from many local churches and societies.

School Educational Visit this week: Mon. 18th June – St. James, Rednal; Tues. 19th June – Our Lady of Fatima, Harborne; Wed. 20th June – St. Francis Xavier, Oldbury.

Planned Giving Envelopes: the new envelopes are available for collection from the Sacristy. If anyone would like to start using envelopes for your weekly offering, or use a Standing Order, which is easier for all, please contact the Dean or Deacon Peter Tibke (see front cover).

Wednesday Word Plus + a great resource for prayer and preparation for the Sunday scriptures. Why not make a special effort to use this FREE resource. Available at the back of the Cathedral.

Important Parish Meeting Sunday 24th June following the 11am Mass. As a follow up to the Archbishop's Pastoral Letter there is now a Discussion Document for us to consider the wider issues of planning for the future of our parishes and making the best use of our resources, including the involvement of the laity and the deployment of our priests. Please see separate sheet. Also: www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk for Document and more information. A limited number of copies of the Discussion Document are available in the Sacristy. Please ask for one.

Events for the Bi-Centenary of Pugin can be found on our Cathedral Website, and on the special Pugin Newsletter, available in the Cathedral. **Basilican Magazine:** now available and dedicated to the Pugin Bi-Centenary. It is a Special Limited Edition so make sure to buy one!

Journey in Faith: Our next meeting will be publicised in the Newsletter. Please keep in your prayers all who were received into Full Communion with the Church this Easter.

Parish & Deanery Events

Cathedral Second Spring Flower Festival & Pugin Exhibition: Friday 15th June - Sunday 17th June. An opportunity to visit the Cathedral and the Crypt. There will be guided tours, refreshments and Organ Recitals. We are looking for people and associations to sponsor some of the displays. See posters and flyers for further details.

Garden Party Thursday 28th June: 5.30pm – 7.30pm His Grace, Archbishop Bernard, is hosting a Garden Party to encourage support for our Cathedral Renovations. The Friends of St. Chad's (St. Chad's Association) have requested help with items for our Bottle Stall please. Any donations would be gratefully received after any Mass or at the Cathedral Reception. For further information please contact the Cathedral or Anne Symonds on 0121 249 1487. Many thanks.

Second Friday Group: Mass for Students & Young Adults: 7.00pm at the Cathedral. This is an opportunity to meet other young Catholics. Our time together will include a short period for a talk and discussion. All are welcome, especially if you are new to the area. Next Mass this Friday 22nd June (moved from 8th June) celebrated by Mgr. Pat McKinney who will also give a talk. There will be an opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) from 6.30pm. Everyone, including the 'young at heart,' are welcome to join us.

Ceili Night in Aid of Cancer Research UK – At the Sacred Heart Club, Grange Road, Aston on Friday 14th July from 8.30pm-12.30am. Tickets (£5) available from Mark Van Beumen Tel: 07885 286684 or at Sacred Heart Club.

Diocesan Events & Ecumenical Events

Pilgrimage to the Shrine of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Maryvale Institute. Sunday 17th June at 3.00pm Pilgrimage Afternoon – Open Air Mass and Procession. Please see posters at the back of the Cathedral.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Hednesford on Sunday 1st July. John Berry has organised a bus to pick-up at the following times: 1.00pm St. Patrick's, Dudley Road, 1.15pm St. Francis, Handsworth, **1.30pm St. Chad's Cathedral** and 1.45pm Sacred Heart, Aston. Please add your name to the list at the back of the Cathedral if you would like a seat on the bus.

Midlands Hospitals' Choir – Summer Miscellany to be held at St. John's & St. Peter's Church, Darnley Road, B16 8TF in aid of Children with Cancer on Saturday 7th July at 7.00pm. Tickets £9 available on the night or from Susan Buckingham Tel: 07976 157225 or Email: susan.buckingham@blueyonder.co.uk

Invocation 2012: to be held at Oscott College, July 6-8. A remarkable event for all young people who are exploring their relationship with God in a very challenging society. It will be an opportunity to meet with others who have responded to God through a variety of vocations. If your life of Faith needs a boost? – then this is a must for you! More info: www.invocation.org.uk

Our Lady's Rosary Group will be holding the Annual Rosary Rally, led by Fr. Simon Gillespie at Grace Dieu Manor, Leicestershire on Sunday 19th August, commencing with Mass at 3.00pm. For further information please contact Mr. D. O'Reilly on Tel: 01530 834446.

Dowry of Mary Pilgrimage to Walsingham – Sunday 9th September, led by Bishop John Rawsthorne, commencing with Reception of Flags at 11.30am and Mass at 12noon. For further details please contact Tel: 01328 820217 or Email: pilcoord@walsingham.org.uk

Pilgrimage to Poland (7 Days) – 26th Sept.–2nd Oct. 2012. Led by Fr. Marcin Kordel CRL, parish priest of St. Michael's, Moor St. Price £645 (£150 single room supplement) includes flight from London-Luton Airport, half board accommodation, English speaking guides. Please see posters at the back of the Cathedral and/or contact St. Michael's Parish Tel: 0121 643 0940.