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**SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND
BLOOD OF CHRIST - 26th June 2011**

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

Entrance Antiphon: The Lord fed his people with the finest wheat and honey; their hunger was satisfied.

Responsorial Psalm: O praise the Lord, Jerusalem!

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! I am the living bread which has come down from heaven, says the Lord. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood will live in me and I in him, says the Lord.

Last Week's Collections – Gift Aid £88.00 Loose £471.90 Total £559.90

Second Collection this Week for Peter's Pence

Thank you for your generosity and support of our Cathedral.

A warm welcome to all of our visitors

If we can be of any help, 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.

Cathedral Narthex: As you will notice, we are having some remedial work done which involves plastering and painting, plus a new lighting scheme in the porch. Our apologies for any inconvenience caused.

Messe en Français every first Sunday of the Month at 2.30pm for our French speaking parishioners. Next Mass **Sunday 3rd July**.

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.

Welcome into the Christian Family: Mechach McKenzie, Chancelvie, Grace & Gloria Mpunga and Chlouise Pemberton (Children's Hospital) who were baptised last week.

The New Translation – Biblical Influences

As we use the new translation we will perhaps notice more biblical connections than we have been used to. The texts of the Mass are precious to us, partly because they were inspired by the bible. These words have come down to us over the centuries, and most of the words we speak at Mass are rooted in the bible. When we gather for Mass, we are praying with words that have been given to us by our ancestors, who knew the bible well and prayed it well. The revised translation tries to make the connections between the bible and the Mass more clear than it is now. It will also mean that we will have some new music for Mass, to take account of the changes. Over the coming weeks we will be looking at some of the revised words we will be saying and hearing. The 'new translation' is used for Mass on most weekdays.

Parish & Deanery Events

School Educational Visits this week: Mon. 27th June – English Martyrs, Sparkhill; Tues. 28th June – St. Francis, Bedworth; Wed. 29th June – Corpus Christi, Stechford.

St. Paul's Bookshop by St. Chad's (0121 236 6336 or www.stpauls.org.uk) Open Monday – Saturday 9.00am – 5.00pm.

Meet and Greet one another over a tea/coffee in the **Grimshaw Room**, after **11am Mass** on **Sunday 3 July**.

St. Chad's Cathedral Organ Recital Series 2011 – Leonard Gibbons Competition on **Monday 27th June** at **7.30pm**. Admissions £5/£3.

Day of Prayer for Vocations will be held at **Sacred Heart Church, Aston** on **Friday 1st July**.

A Day with Mary to be held at the **Oratory, Hagley Road** on **Saturday 9th July** from **10.00am – 5.15pm**. Please see poster for full programme.

Nigerian Catholic Community (NCC) – “*Serving the Lord in Gladness*” at **St. Patrick's Church, Dudley Road** every 2nd Sunday of the Month (ie **10th July**). Hymns Rehearsal at 1.30pm, **Mass 2.00pm**. Please see poster for transport details.

Diocesan Events

Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Hednesford on **Sunday 3rd July**. A bus will pick up pilgrims in the following order: 1.00pm - St. Patrick's, Dudley Road; 1.15pm – St. Francis, Handsworth; **1.30pm – St. Chad's Cathedral** and 1.45pm – Sacred Heart, Aston and will cost £5 per person. Please give your name into Reception, Cathedral House (Tel: 0121 230 6201) if you would like a place on the bus or contact John Berry on Tel: 07910 434677.

Maryvale Institute Annual Novena and Pilgrimage to the Shrine of the Sacred Heart of Jesus – Pilgrimage Afternoon – Sunday 3rd July at 3.00pm. Open air Mass and Procession, refreshments available. For further information please contact the Promoter of the Shrine on Tel: 0121 360 8118.

National Grandparents Pilgrimage at the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham on **Saturday 23rd July** from **12noon**. Please see poster for full details.

Missio – to celebrate the **75th anniversary** of the partnership between APF and Mill Hill Missionaries a special **Mass** will be celebrated by Archbishop Bernard Longley at **St. Chad's Cathedral** on **Sunday 24th July** at **3.00pm**.

Ecumenical and Inter-Faith Events

Bach Choir perform “*Rachmaninov's All Night Vespers*” at the **Oratory, Hagley Road** on **Saturday 9th July** at **7.30pm**. Tickets £12/£10 available from Birmingham Ticketshop, The Rotunda Tel: 0844 8883883

Justice & Peace Conference to be held at **The Hayes Conference Centre**, Swanwick, Derbyshire from **15th-17th July**. Booking forms are available at the back of the Cathedral or contact the Administrator on Tel: 0207 901 4864 or Email: admin@justice-and-peace.org.uk

Music for Charity – Visions of England the British Police Symphony Orchestra will play a selection of pieces evoking the sights of England in aid of the West Midlands Police charity – Building Blocks at **Birmingham Cathedral, Colmore Row** on **Saturday 16th July** at **7.30pm**.

Future Events 2011

Association of Our Lady of Mount Carmel – 25th Rosary Rally to be held at **Grace Dieu Manor, Leicestershire** on **Sunday 21st August** commencing with concelebrated **Mass** at **3.00pm**.

Dowry of Mary Pilgrimage, Walsingham on **Sunday 11th September** starting at **11.30am** with Reception of Flags, **12noon Mass**, led by Archbishop Peter Smith.

Newsletter & Website: We shall be improving our Website to provide more information and contacts - as well as increasing the size of our weekly Newsletter to include prayers for the Sick, etc.

Mass Intentions: 25th June – 3rd July 2011

Saturday 25th Feria

10.00am Catherine Dillon (nee Wallis) RIP

(Vigil for Sunday) 4.30pm Br. James Caron

Sunday 26th

Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

9.00am Mass of First Holy Communion

11.00am People of the Parish

Monday 27th

Feria

12.15pm Rosalin & Brendan Grogan

Tuesday 28th

St. Irenaeus

12.15pm Roger Panton RIP

Wednesday 29th

Solemnity of St Peter & St Paul Apostles

Holy Day of Obligation

12.15pm Kitty Stanley

6.00pm Hugh Maguire RIP

Thursday 30th

Feria

12.15pm Ann Sheehan RIP

3.00pm Requiem William Fitzgerald RIP

Friday 1st July Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

12.15pm Vincent Bracken RIP

Saturday 2nd Immaculate Heart of Mary

10.00am Jessop Family

(Vigil for Sunday)4.30pm People of the Parish

Sunday 3rd Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9.00am Tom Lattimer RIP

11.00am Costantino Tessaro

Followed by a short Choir Recital

2.30pm Messe en Français

St Chad's Choir: Our liturgy is enhanced by the Choir under the direction of Professor David Saint. The Choir begin their summer recess after next Sunday, and some of our members are moving on to pastures new! As is traditional, the Choir will perform a short Recital after the 11am Mass next Sunday. We are indebted to them!

CAR PARKING: Please ensure that you do not park outside St. Paul's Bookshop or Cathedral House Reception as the area is reserved for Buses/Coaches only. You will be booked or towed away by the Traffic Wardens!