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FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
30th. January 2011

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

Entrance Antiphon: Save us, Lord our God, and gather us together from the nations, that we may proclaim your holy name and glory in your praise.

Responsorial Psalm: How happy are the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: Let your face shine on your servant, and save me by your love. Lord, keep me from shame, for I have called to you.

Last Week's Collections – Gift Aid £77.00 Loose £392 Total £612.11 Mission Appeal: £757.95. Donation to Building Fund from the Pioneer Association £800 (including a generous cheque from Miss Christine Gormley)
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.

The 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.

Last Sunday's Mission Appeal: Sr Breda Noonan thanks you for your prayers and generosity last weekend. We thank Sr Breda for her inspiring and illuminating talk about the Church's Missionary work.

Sacrament of Baptism: Anyone seeking baptism for their children or themselves, please contact Canon Gerry or Sr. Thèrése

Thursday is the feast of St Blaise: the 4 century Bishop of Sebaste in Armenia. His legend speaks of the miraculous healing of throats. The blessing of throats, invoking the prayers of St Blaise has been popular since the 12 century. Following Mass, there will be an opportunity for you to have your throat blessed if you wish.

Sr. Margaret at The Sanctuary would be extremely grateful for help with any of the following items please: rice, sugar, cooking oil, tinned tomatoes, and toiletries for both men and women – especially disposable razors. Also on her 'wish list' sizes 9 & 10 shoes/trainers for the men (new or nearly new) thank you.

School Educational Visits this week: Tuesday: 1 February: All Souls, Coventry; Wednesday 2 February: St Mary's, Evesham; Thursday 3 February: St Modwen's, Burton-on-Trent.

Vocations: 'Come and See'. When Jesus was asked: "Where do you live?" He answered: "Come and see." (John 1:29). Every First Friday of the Month there will be a Mass at 7pm in the Cathedral followed by tea/coffee in the Canon's Dining Room. Mass will be offered for those who are already in formation for the Priesthood, and for those who feel that God may be calling them to serve the Church as a Priest. We encourage parishioners to come and pray for vocations also. This invite is extended to all of our priests and religious. Our meeting after Mass will be very informal and will provide an opportunity to answer questions and share the experience of living life as a diocesan priest. So please, 'Come and See'. (Please check our website in the event of changes. Thank you)

Journey of Faith Programme 2010/2011 takes place in the Chapter Room (Main Reception Entrance) St. Chad's Queensway Thursdays 7.00pm-8.30pm. This is an opportunity for people who are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith.

Job Vacancies – EXAM INVIGILATORS St. Paul's School for Girls, Vernon Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham, B16 9SL Tel: 0121 454 0895

St. Mary's College, Oscott Public Evening Prayer – You are invited to join the staff and seminarians for Evening Prayer and Benediction on Sunday evenings throughout the year commencing on Sunday 30th January and then on 6th, 13th and 20th February at 6.30pm. Please see poster for further details.

Archbishop Oscar Romero Mass celebrated by Bishop David McGough to be held at St. Chad's Cathedral on Friday 18th March at 7.00pm. Afterwards there will be light refreshments in the Grimshaw Room and a talk about Romero by Jan Graffius, Conservator of the Relics of Archbishop Romero and Curator of Stonyhurst College.

Birmingham Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage May 29th – June 3rd. For more information please contact Trish Brookes in the Pilgrimage Office: 0121 236 4585 Email lourdesadmin@rc-birmingham.org.

National Pilgrimage to Fatima 8th – 15th July 2011. For booking forms and further information please contact Mrs. Brigid McKenna, Tel: 0121 429 4145.

Birmingham Diocesan Young Adults' Taizé Pilgrimage 23rd July – 1st August 2011. For more information please contact Claire Swaffield Tel: 01905 22224 Email: claire.swaffield@bcys.co.uk

Birmingham Diocesan Holy Land Pilgrimage 27th September – 6th October 2011. Booking forms are available from Holy Land Pilgrimage Support Group, Archbishop's House, 8 Shadwell Street, Birmingham B4 6EY Tel: 0121 236 9090. Completed booking form with non returnable deposit of £300 per person required by 24th January 2011. Please see poster for further details.

Birmingham Museum & Art Gallery have an exhibition of photographs from Pope Benedict XVI's visit until 30th January 2011.

Taizé Worship takes place on the first Sunday of every month (ie 6th February) at The Christian Mediation Centre, 235 Alcester Road South, B14 6DR from 8.00pm-8.45pm. For further information please contact Joy Cheek on Tel: 0121 449 0511.

Mass Intentions: - 23rd - 30th.January 2011

Saturday 29th	Feria 10.00am	Agnes O'Driscoll RIP
(Vigil for Sunday)	Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time 4.30pm	John O'Donnell
Sunday 30th	Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time 9.00am	Mr & Mrs Dixon
	11.00am	Sr Gertrude Finn
Monday 31st.	St. John Bosco 12.15pm	Gaskin Family
		The Month of February
Tuesday 1st.	Feria 12.15pm	Mass with the Cathedral Chapter
Wednesday 2nd.	Presentation of the Lord 12.15pm	Katie Byrne & Caitlin Griffin
Thursday 3rd.	St Blaise 9.15am	St. Chad's School Mass, Newtown
	12.15pm	Mary Gibbons
Friday 4th.	Feria 12.15pm	Paul O'Connor
	7.00pm	Mass for Vocations
Saturday 5th	St Agatha 10.00am	Mary Guina
(Vigil for Sunday)	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time 4.30pm	Don Smith
Sunday 6th	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time 9.00am	Brendan Healy
	11.00am	People of the Parish
	12.15pm	<i>The Baptisms of Elim Alem & Nazrawi Elim</i>

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