



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



**Twenty-Third Sunday  
In Ordinary Time  
Racial Justice Sunday  
9<sup>th</sup> September 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:** You are just, O Lord, and your judgement is right; treat your servant in accord with your merciful love.

**Responsorial Psalm:** My soul, give praise to the Lord.

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

**Communion Antiphon:** Like the deer that yearns for running streams, so my soul is yearning for you, my God; my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.

**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 8<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> September 2012

<b>Sat 8<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b>
10am	Mary Flaherty RIP
4.30pm	People of the Parish (Vigil)
<b>Sun 9<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Racial Justice Sunday</b>
9am	Dr. Elizabeth Akwaeze RIP
11am	Joseph Mendy
<b>Mon 10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Weekday in Ordinary Time</b>
12.15pm	Michael Burke
<b>Tue 11<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Weekday in Ordinary Time</b>
<b>11.30am</b>	<b>Bishop William Kenney's Jubilee Mass</b>
<b>Wed 12<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Weekday in Ordinary Time</b>
12.15pm	Danny Sheehan RIP
<b>Thu 13<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Memorial of St. John Chrysostom</b>
12.15pm	Eamon Connors RIP
<b>Fri 14<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross</b>
12.15pm	Peter Hayes RIP
7.00pm	Young Adults Mass
<b>Sat 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows</b>
10am	Evangeline Feeney RIP
4.30pm	Deirdrie McManus (Vigil)
<b>Sun 16<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Home Mission Sunday</b>
9am	People of the Parish
11am	Mary Cotterill RIP

**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 and well-intended request.

**PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF MASS TIME FOR TUESDAY. BISHOP KENNEY'S JUBILEE MASS IS AT 11.30am. ALL ARE WELCOME!**

**Please visit our Website for more notices and news.**

## Cathedral Collections

**Last Sunday:** Loose £493.49  
Gift Aid £70.00

**Gift Aid** envelopes are available for those who pay tax.

**Second Collection** today for Racial Justice.

**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. Thérèse. Fr Noel Bisibu N'tungu conducts baptisms for the Congolese Community every First Sunday. Please contact Canon Gerry.

**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.: Peter Rogers, Frank Rowe & John Berry; Deacons: Trevor Smith & David McCarroll; Babies Cara Rose McCourt & Adrian Hejduk, Mike Stanley, John O'Donoghue, Marie Southall, Sheila Barr, Lorraine Grant, Alwen Griffiths, Julius Katz, Peter Taroni, Barbara Saint, Bridie Kearney & Bernard Alsopp.

For all who have died recently, especially: Fr. Tony Taylor, Mary McNulty, Virginia Harrison and Donna Kirton. Also for those whose anniversaries occur about this time, including: Frs.: Guy Colman, David Hutt, Richard Dinnis & Patrick Meagher; and all who lost their lives in the 9/11 terrorist attacks. 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 September:

**General:** - Politicians: That politicians may always act with honesty, integrity, and love for the truth.

**Missionary:** – Help for the Poorest Churches: That Christian communities may have a growing willingness to send missionaries, priests, and lay people, along with concrete resources, to the poorest Churches.

**Fr. Tony Taylor:** died peacefully on Friday. Fr. Tony was a familiar figure at our weekday Masses, and often celebrated Mass for us in his more mobile days. He was ordained here in the Cathedral in 1956. Please remember this kind and gentle pastor in your prayers. May he rest in peace. Amen.

**A Word of Welcome to our Cathedral:** we welcome all of our visitors, especially if this is your first visit. If we can be of any help to our visitors, please introduce yourself to one of the priests or a member of staff.

**School Educational Visits this week:** Wed. 12<sup>th</sup> Sept. – Holy Family, Small Heath; Thurs. 13<sup>th</sup> Sept. – St. Joseph's, Worcester.

**The Cathedral Choir:** will be back to full strength next Sunday following their summer recess.

**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.

**Catholic Today:** our very own newspaper! The latest edition is now available at the back of the Cathedral and is packed with lots of interesting features about our diocesan family and the Catholic life of the diocese.

**Other Catholic Newspapers:** as these are available from the Cathedral Shop, we shall cease providing them in the Cathedral from the beginning of September. This is to save money and administration.

Please remember that the shop is not open on Sundays.

**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!

## Parish & Deanery Events

**St. Chad's Choral Outreach Project:** a new initiative for our Birmingham Primary Schools to develop vocal techniques and choral singing for our youngsters with an aim to create a Youth Choir of the highest standard drawn from our local schools who will perform at the Cathedral. This may well provide an opportunity for them to take up Junior Choral Scholarships. If any schools are interested please email: [stchadschoraloutreach@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:stchadschoraloutreach@hotmail.co.uk). More information to follow. Please see Website.

**Visit of the Icon of Our Lady of Czestochowa to Saint Chad's Cathedral: Friday 9<sup>th</sup> – Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> November:** We are delighted to welcome the icon as part of a national tour. More details will be published once they are finalised.

**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 14<sup>th</sup> September, followed by the new programme when Fr. Anthony Talbot will be exploring why and how the Second Vatican Council came about. 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.

**Journey of Faith 2012/13 Programme** commences on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September from 7.00-8.30pm in Cathedral House. This is an opportunity for people who are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith. Please contact Canon Gerry directly Tel: 0121 230 6209 or Email: [canonbreen@rc-birmingham.org](mailto:canonbreen@rc-birmingham.org)

### **Diocesan Events & Ecumenical Events**

**Bishop William Kenney** celebrates the Silver Jubilee of his Episcopal Ordination on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> September with Mass at St. Chad’s Cathedral at 11.30am to which all parishioners are invited.

**Old Boy’s of St. Philip’s Grammar School** – Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> September marks the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the opening of the school. Mass will be celebrated at 11am at the Oratory Church, followed by the unveiling of a ceramic panel to St. Philip Neri in the cloister. If you wish to attend the lunch at the Botanical Gardens please contact Brian Smyth on Tel: 0121 427 2327 or Email: [spgsoba@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:spgsoba@yahoo.co.uk)

**St. Mary’s College, Oscott Guided Tours.** Please contact Maggie Wilson (Tel: 0121 321 5026) if you would like to join a tour of Oscott College available most Wednesday afternoons (commencing at 1pm) during term time. Cost is £7 including tea. Please see leaflets at the back of the Cathedral.

**CAFOD Group Our Lady & St. Hurbert’s Parish, Oldbury** – Illustrated talk by Mgr. Pat Kilgarriff about the first Oscar Romero Trust pilgrimage in 2010 to El Salvador. To be held on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30pm, after the 7.00pm evening Mass. Please see posters at the back of the Cathedral.

**Puccini - Messa di Gloria** to be performed by the Birmingham Philharmonic Orchestra with Tenor Anando Mukerjee and Baritone Byron Jackson at St. Mary’s Church, Mosley on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> September at 6.30pm. Tickets (£5) available from Amanda on Tel: 07519 277074 or Email: [bjmusicevents@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:bjmusicevents@hotmail.co.uk) If you would like to sing in the chorus there is a workshop from 1.15-5.30pm on the day, please see the posters at the back of the Cathedral.

**Birmingham Newman Circle Lecture** – In the Grimshaw Room, St. Chad’s Queensway on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> September 7.00-9.45pm. The topic is “The Apostolic Fathers; Glimpses of Catholic belief from the Infant Church” given by Jean Johnson.

**“Crossing the Threshold” – How to Reach Non Churchgoing Catholics** – Follow up evening to 4<sup>th</sup> February but all are welcome. To be held in the Grimshaw Room, St. Chad’s Queensway on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> September from 7.30-9.30pm. The evening will be hosted by Archbishop Bernard Longley, please see leaflets at the back of the Cathedral.

**World Youth Day 2013:** Rio De Janeiro 17<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup> July 2013. Archbishop Bernard will be joining young people from across the diocese on this great event. We would like all of our parishes to be represented by at least one young pilgrim. If you will be 18 years of age by the summer of 2013 and may be interested in going to represent the Cathedral. Please have a word with Canon Gerry. More info on the Birmingham Catholic Youth Services (BCYS) website: [www.bcys.co.uk](http://www.bcys.co.uk)

**Volunteers Needed:** if anyone would like to join one of our teams of volunteers who assist in the following areas of Cathedral life we would be most grateful: our Counting Team on Monday mornings; our Cleaning Team for the Cathedral, to suit any hours you may be free; or our Team of Cathedral Guides who conduct pre-arranged tours of the Cathedral & Crypt? Training will be given to anyone who may be interested. Please contact Fr. Gerry. Thank you for the kind offers so far! More would be welcome. Many thanks!

**The Sixteen** in concert at the Oratory, Hagley Road on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> September at 7.30pm as part of their national Choral Pilgrimage. Tickets available from the Symphony Hall & Town Hall box office online or Tel: 0121 780 3333.

**Peace Ambassadors Margaret & Barry Mizen** share their experiences with CAFOD partners working for peace in Nairobi at the Parish Centre, St. Mary the Mount, Walsall WS1 3NF on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> September at 7.00pm. Please see posters at the back of the Cathedral.

**Blessed John Henry Newman Institute of Liturgical Music First Conference** – To be held at the Oratory Primary School and Church, Hagley Rd. on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> September and Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> September. To book please contact Carol Parkinson on Tel: 0121 454 0808 or Email: [admin@oratorymusic.org.uk](mailto:admin@oratorymusic.org.uk). Posters are available at the back of the Cathedral.

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