



Metropolitan Cathedral & Basilica of St Chad
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The Year of Faith
(October 2012-November 2013)

Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time 25th August 2013

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Sunday: Ordinary Time: Cycle C; Year 1; Psalter Week 1

Entrance Antiphon: Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me; save the servant who trusts in you, my God. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

Responsorial Psalm: Go out to the whole world; proclaim the Good News.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord; you bring forth bread from the earth and wine to cheer the heart.

Mass Times 24th August – 1 September 2013

Sat 24th	Feast of St. Bartholomew
10am	Hugh Maguire RIP
Vigil of the	Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time
4.30pm	People of the Parish
Sun 25th	Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time
9am	Mary Gibbons
11am	Special Intention
12.30pm	<i>Baptism of Ralph, Darnell & Lemuel Miakassissa</i>
Mon 26th	Feast of Blessed Dominic Barberi
12.15pm	Kathleen Porter
Tue 27th	Memorial of St. Monica
12.15pm	Joan Banner
Wed 28th	Memorial of St. Augustine
12.15pm	Peter Flaherty
Thu 29th	Memorial of the Passion of St. John the Baptist
12.15pm	Fr. John Berry RIP
Fri 30th	Feria in Ordinary Time
12.15pm	Jessop & Long Families Intentions
Sat 31st	Feria in Ordinary Time
10am	Canon Gerry Breen
1pm	<i>Wedding of Emma Flynn & Aaron Condron</i>
Vigil of the	Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
4.30pm	Thomas & Marie Sheehan

The Month of September

Sun 1st	Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
9am	People of the Parish
11am	John & Susan Thornton <i>Followed by Meet & Greet</i>
2.30pm	Messe en Français
3.00pm	<i>Martyr's Mass at Harvington Hall</i>

OUR NEW WEB SITE IS COMING!

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SAFETY & SECURITY**

Please do not leave any personal property in the benches when going to receive Holy Communion.

Cathedral Collections

Last Sunday:

Loose £360.20 **Gift Aid** £105.00

Anonymous Donation £38.22

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. 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 – Our 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: For all of our students who have received examination results: may they realise their value regardless of success or failure that God may guide their futures.

We pray for all those who are ill especially: Canons Peter Taylor & Gerry Breen, Frs.: Rob Taylerson, Peter Rogers, Tony Sims & Frank Rowe; Deacon: David McCarroll; also, Jim McManus, Rob Drake, Eva Theresa McNair, Peter Jennings, Phylis McCullion, Brian Gregory, Yvonne Barraclough, John O'Donoghue, Marie Southall, Sheila Barr, Lorraine Grant, Alwen Griffiths, Gwen Morris, Bridie Kearney, Louise Davis, Bernard Alsopp, Sean Hogan, Eileen O'Hallorhan, Shirley Ward, Hayley Martin, Ben Sambrook, Maureen Daly, infant Jimmy Flynn, Alina Muthuparakunnel, Eric Cooper and all the other children in the Children's Hospital.

For all who have died recently, especially: Ann Pope, Gerry Coughlan, Michael Whelan, Peter Adcock & Professor John Kelly & infant Daniel Pelka; and we pray for those whose anniversaries occur about this time especially: Mgr. Canon Laurence Emery; Mgr. Richard Foster; Canons: Laurence Fogarty, John Nightingale; Frs.: Brendan O'Malley, Francis Toole & Isaac Savin & Catherine McDonald. 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 Emeritus for the Month of September: *General:* That the men and women of our time, often immersed in noise, may rediscover the value of silence and learn to listen to the voice of God and their brothers and sisters. ***Missionary:*** That Christians who suffer persecution in numerous regions of the world may be prophets of the love of Christ by their testimony.

A Word of Welcome to our Cathedral: we welcome all of our visitors to the Cathedral this week, especially if this is your first visit. You may have just wandered in for a few moments' quiet prayer or reflection, you are all most welcome. If we can be of any assistance to you, please contact a member of staff.

Meet & Greet every first Sunday of the month following the 11am Mass. Our next gathering will be on Sunday 1st September in the Grimshaw Room, you are welcome to join us for refreshments.

Cathedral Choir: are on their summer. **Visiting Choirs:** in their absence we welcome various parish choirs from around our diocese to sing at our 11am Mass on Sundays.

Messe en Français every first Sunday of the month. The next Mass will be on Sunday 1st September at 2.30pm.

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.

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. The next Mass at 7pm will be on Friday 13th September 2013. The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) is available from 6.30pm. Everyone, including the 'young at heart,' are welcome to join us.

St. Chad's Sanctuary will be closed until Monday 2nd September.

Parish & Deanery Events

Kenelm Trust Vacancies – The Kenelm Trust is seeking to appoint two new 'Kenelm Catholic Youth Ministry Development Workers' to support work with young people aged 11-25 years, to draw them closer to Christ. Salary: £18,500-£22,000 pro-rata (based on 40 hours per week) dependent on experience and qualifications. These posts will be 32 hours per week to include evenings and weekends. To apply please download an application pack from www.bcys.co.uk or contact Sandra Satchell Tel: 07860 120443. Closing date 31st August.

Annual Pilgrimage to Harvington Hall, Sunday 1st September: Mass in the grounds at 3pm. Free timed tours of the Hall must be booked by Tel: 01562 777846. Transport from the city centre parishes has been arranged by John Berry. The Cathedral has been allocated 15 tickets priced £7 return and must be purchased in advance please from Reception, Cathedral House. The coach will leave St. Patricks, Dudley Road at 12.30pm, St. Francis, Hunters Road at 12.45pm, St. Chad's Cathedral at 1.00pm and Sacred Heart, Aston at 1.15pm.

Birmingham Newman Circle – Saturday 7th September from 1-3pm in the Masterson Room, Cathedral House. “Vatican II” discussion led by Mgr. Pat Kilgarriff. Please bring your own lunch.

Birmingham Newman Circle – Thursday 12th September from 7-9pm in the Masterson Room, Cathedral House. “Am I My Brothers Keeper? Catholic Social Action and Teaching” led by Bishop William Kenney.

Birmingham Interfaith Service for Peace: 12noon – 12.30pm in the St. Thomas’ Peace Garden, Bath Row, Birmingham B15

Heritage Tours – St. Chad’s Cathedral will again host tours during the City’s Heritage Days on Thursday 12th September from 10am-12noon and Saturday 14th September from 1.30pm-3.30pm.

“Ever Ancient, Ever New” – A discernment experience with the Community of Our Lady of Walsingham on 14th & 15th September 2013 and 4th & 5th January 2014. For more information please contact Sr. Theresa or Sr. Camilla on Tel: 01328 821621 or Email: info@walsinghamcommunity.org

Lay Dominicans in Birmingham - Public Lectures by Peter Robinson “Foundations of Philosophy exploring the Greek influences on St. Thomas Aquinas” at 2pm on Saturdays 21st September and 26th October in the Ullathorne Room, Cathedral House.

Change of Mass Times - Sacred Heart, Aston and St. Joseph’s, Nechells – Beginning Sunday 22nd September Mass will be at 10.00am at the Sacred Heart and at 12noon at St. Joseph’s.

Music at St. Chad’s – Thursday 26th September at 7.30pm an Organ Concert performed by Adrian Partington, Gloucester Cathedral. Admission (on the Door) is £5 (£3).

Barnardo’s Mammoth Messiah at Symphony Hall on Monday 30th September at 7.30pm. Be part of the choir singing this famous choral work involving a mammoth choir. Rehearsals on the day 1.00-2.30pm and 3.00pm-6.00pm. Audience and Singer Tickets £15 available from the box office Tel: 0121 345 0603 or online www.thsh.co.uk

Cathedral Renovations: thank you to all who have contributed to our renovations. The Lift for disabled access and the handrails are almost completed in the Crypt. There has been a delay with the installation of the Glass Doors at the West End of the Cathedral – we are assured that these should be finished during August (??) **Cathedral Finances:** the Cathedral has a substantial debt in excess of £900,000. It costs approximately £2,000 a week to run the Cathedral. With an average weekly collection of £600 you don’t need to be a mathematician to work out how this will not reduce the overdraft by normal means. We work hard to keep the Cathedral open with minimal paid staff and some volunteers. As with all of our homes and churches, on-going maintenance is a constant necessity. I will publish a more comprehensive narrative for parishioners in the autumn. In the meantime, I repeat our thanks to those who have funded and supported particular projects and improvements to our Cathedral. We are most grateful. Thank you for your responses to this note.

St. Mary’s College, Oscott Guided Tours – St. Mary’s College is pleased to welcome visitors for special tours of the seminary on several dates during the 2013-2014 season. Please contact Margaret Wilson on Tel: 0121 321 5026 or Email: maggie.wilson@oscott.org