



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

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time 27th October 2013

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Sunday: Ordinary Time: Cycle C; Year 1; Psalter Week 2

Entrance Antiphon: Let the hearts that seek the Lord Rejoice; turn to the Lord and his strength; constantly seek his face.

Responsorial Psalm: The poor man called; the Lord has heard him.

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

Communion Antiphon: We will ring out our joy at your saving help and exult in the name of our God.

Mass Times 26th October – 3rd November 2013

Sat 26th **Feria**
10.00am Canon Gerry Breen
12.00noon UCM/CWL Annual Mass

4.30pm **Vigil of the Thirtieth Sunday**
William Hone

Sun 27th **Thirtieth Sunday**
9.00am People of the Parish
11.00am Peter Adcock RIP
3.00pm Mass for the Year of Faith
(Celebrant : Archbishop Bernard Longley)

Mon 28th **Feast of St Simon & St Jude**
12.15pm Teresa McLoughlin

Tue 29th **Feria**
12.15pm John Acquaye RIP

Wed 30th **Feria**
9.15am Mass in St Chad's School
12.15pm John & Christobel De Valliere

Thu 31st **Feria**
12.15pm Bernard Sweeney

The Month of November

Fri 1st **Solemnity of All Saints**
12.15pm Elaine Harvey
6.00pm Marjory Moses
6.30pm *Second Friday Group:*
"Be My Witnesses", Life in The Spirit Seminars

Sat 2nd **Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed**
10.00am Peg Donohue RIP

4.30pm **Vigil of the Thirty First Sunday**
De Valliere & Benedict Families

Sun 3rd **Thirty First Sunday**
9.00am Christian Jude Le Blanc
11.00am People of the Parish
2.30pm Messe en Français

Please Note: the 4.30pm Mass on Saturday 9th November will be at 5pm for this Saturday only.

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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 : £601.80 **Gift Aid :** £127.00
The Missions : £246.60
Restoration Fund: £501.00

Gift Aid envelopes are available for those who pay tax.

Second collection next week is for **The Johnson Fund** which supports the care of infirm and retired priests.

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 French 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.

Recent Donations: both great and small. Apologies for not having addresses to send our thanks to all of our benefactors.

Prayer Intentions: We pray for all those who are ill especially: Mgrs. Graham Wilkinson, Paul Watson; Canons: Peter Taylor & Gerry Breen, Frs.: Rob Taylerson, Peter Rogers & Tony Sims; Deacon: David McCarroll; also, Jim McManus, Rob Drake, Eva Theresa McNair, Phyllis McCullion, Brian Gregory, John O'Donaghue, 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, Eric Cooper, John Stedeford, Bridget Casey, Jane Goodyear, infants: Jimmy Flynn, Rosa Docherty, Jason Maughan and all the other children in the Children's Hospital.

For those who have died: For all who have died recently: Albert Milton, Baby Marcello Szatkowski, Brenda Evans, Tony Smith & Sandra Goldsmith. We pray also for those whose anniversaries occur about this time especially: Bishop John Barrett, Frs.: John McGovern, Bernard Kelly, John O'Dwyer, James Faulconer-Morgan, Henry Taylor, Louis Moore and Deacon Paul Grovesnor. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

Prayer Requests: we are happy to include the names of those who have recently died; or whose anniversaries may occur, as well as any additions to our Sick List. Please let us know if you wish your relatives or friends names included. Also, we would be grateful of notification of any amendments. Thank you.

Prayer Intentions of the Holy Father Emeritus for the Month of October:

General: That those feeling so crushed by life that they wish to end it may sense the nearness of God's love.

Missionary: That the celebration of World Mission Day may help all Christians realize that we are not only receivers but proclaimers of God's word.

A Word of Welcome to our Cathedral: to all of our visitors 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. Our schools are on their half term break, but we welcome many of our regular groups and associations during the coming week. If we can be of any assistance to you, please contact a member of staff.

Blessed Dominic Barberi, The Fiftieth Anniversary of his Beatification is being celebrated here at our Cathedral with Mass at 3.00pm, Main Celebrant : Archbishop Bernard Longley. This is one of three Masses being celebrated across the archdiocese.

The launch of the Blessed Dominic Barberi DVD will take place in the Cathedral soon after Mass.

Meet & Greet every first Sunday of the month following the 11am Mass. Our next gathering will be on Sunday 3rd November in the Grimshaw Room, you are welcome to join us for refreshments.

Messe en Français every first Sunday of the month with the West Midlands French Speaking Community. The next Mass will be on Sunday 3rd November 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.

The Basilican: the latest edition of our Cathedral Magazine is now available. Lots of articles and colour photos! Please put payment in the wall box marked Newspapers & Books.

Journey in Faith: October we shall be starting our informal meetings on Thursday evenings non-Catholics who wish to learn more about the Catholic Faith. Perhaps you have a friend or partner who may be thinking of becoming a Catholic, or simply wishing to learn more? Why not support them and come along? If anyone is interested please contact Fr Gerry. More information later!

Children & the Sacraments: shortly we will begin instruction classes for Holy Communion & Confirmation for children who do not attend Catholic schools. Please give names and contact details to Canon Gerry or Sr. Thérèse. Thank you.

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 December 2013. The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) is available from 6.30pm. Everyone, including the 'young at heart,' are welcome to join us.

"Be My Witnesses", Life in The Spirit Seminars: The **Second Friday Group** welcomes you to a 7 week exploration of the Holy Spirit. This will run every Friday from the 11th of October 2013 until 22nd November 2013 from 6.30pm. All are welcome.

We are very pleased to welcome David Payne, from CaFE, who will be speaking on the new life in Christ. 630-730pm Holy Hour, with the opportunity for Confession, 730-750pm Soup Supper/Social Time, 750-835pm "The New Life" by David Payne, 835-9pm Small group time, 9-920pm Feedback, QA and closing prayers.

Parish & Deanery Events

St Chad's Cathedral Association Annual Dinner is to be held on Friday 8th November at 7.00pm for 7.30pm, in the Canons' Dining Room. Our principal guest will be our President, Archbishop Bernard Longley. Our after dinner speaker is Jane Dew, who is an expert on church vestments and embroidery (some of which will be on display). She will be assisted by Frances Crockett, our Sacristan. Price £32.50 includes a pre-dinner drink, four course meal plus coffee and mints. Dress - lounge suits. Non-members most welcome.

Mike Stanley two new CD's composed by Mike during his illness: Faith & Dewfall a great gift from Mike to us to be shared as a gift with friends. Please see the flyers at the back of the Cathedral.

Oscott College Fireworks Display – Saturday 23rd November, Year of Faith celebration begins with evening prayer in the Chapel at 7.00pm followed by fireworks and refreshments at 7.30pm. Entrance by ticket only. Family of four(4) £10.00. Adult £5.00. Tickets available at Cathedral House Reception, weekdays between 8.00am – 5.00pm. See noticeboard for details.

9th Birmingham Diocesan Justice & Peace Assembly – Saturday 2nd November 2013 10.30am – 4.15pm at St. Peter's Catholic School, Whitefields Road, Solihull. B91 3NZ. Please see noticeboard for further details.

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

Bishop Challoner Teaching School Alliance: Vacancies for September 2014 opens 1st November. Open Evening on Wednesday 23rd October 2013, 6 – 8pm. Please see noticeboard for details

Cathedral Renovations: thank you to all who contribute to our on-going renovations. There is much more to be done. Our next project is to re-paint the interior of the Cathedral. 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 notice.

PLEASE NOTE: the 4.30pm Mass on Saturday November 9th will be at 5pm. This is for one Saturday only. Sorry for any inconvenience, but plenty of forward notice may help.

Cathedral Site Statistics Week 29: (October 20-27)

Hours we were open: 111.5hrs Liturgies & Meetings: 167 Number of Visitors: 2,176

Cathedral Car Park: Please note: for reasons of security, all access to the Cathedral Site and Car Park will be secured once the Cathedral is closed and Meetings have finished. Any un-authorized vehicles will be locked in until the car park opens again. Also: any cars that may be blocked in by someone attending Mass MUST wait until Mass has finished. We do not interrupt the Sacred Liturgy to read out car registration numbers!