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The Year of Faith
(October 2012–November 2013)

Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time 6th October 2013

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Sunday: Ordinary Time: Cycle C; Year 1; Psalter Week 3

Entrance Antiphon: Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

Responsorial Psalm: O that today you would listen to his voice! 'Harden not your hearts'.

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

Communion Antiphon: The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.

Mass Times 5th – 13th October 2013

Sat 5th 10am	Feria Mgr. Fallon RIP
4.30pm	Vigil of the Twenty Seventh Sunday Sarah & PJ Daly
Sun 6th 9am 11am 2.30pm	Twenty Seventh Sunday People of the Parish Teresa & Joe Lawless RIP Messe en Français
Mon 7th 10.30am 12.15pm	Our Lady of The Rosary Marriage of Andrew Chan & Karyan Lee Mary Flaherty RIP
Tue 8th 12.15pm	Feria Philip James Wallis RIP
Wed 9th 9.15am 12.15pm	Feast of Blessed John Henry Newman Mass in St Chad's School Mary Howe
Thu 10th 12.15pm	Feria Marie Southall RIP
Fri 11th 12.15pm 7pm	Feria John Kelly RIP Second Friday Mass <i>followed by:</i> <i>"Be My Witnesses", Life in The Spirit Seminars</i>
	Diocesan Invocation Day
Sat 12th 10am	Feria Mary Hartigan RIP
4.30pm*	Vigil of the Twenty Eighth Sunday Don Smith RIP
Sun 13th 9am 11am	Twenty Eighth Sunday People of the Parish Michael Whelan RIP

PLEASE NOTE*: THE 4.30 MASS ON SATURDAY 12TH CONCLUDES THE INVOCATIONS DAY AND THE MAIN CELEBRANT WILL BE BISHOP MARK DAVIES OF SHREWSBURY.

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

Cathedral Collections

Last Sunday:

Loose : £512.53 Gift Aid : £116.50

Restoration Fund : £10.00

Gift Aid envelopes are available for those who pay tax.

Second collection this week is for **CAFOD's** Harvest Fast Day.

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.

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: Mgr. Graham Wilkinson, Canons: Peter Taylor & Gerry Breen, Frs.: Paul Watson, Rob Taylerson, Peter Rogers & Tony Sims; Deacon: David McCarroll; also, Jim McManus, Rob Drake, Eva Theresa McNair, Phylis McCullion, Brian Gregory, 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, Eric Cooper, John Stedeford, Bridget Casey, Jane Goodyear, infant Jimmy Flynn, Alina Muthuparakunnel and all the other children in the Children's Hospital.

For those who have died: For all who have died recently: Fr. Alan Holtham, Sr. Angela Gorman SP, Maureen Daly, Brenda Evans, Tony Smith & Sandra Goldsmith. We pray also for those whose anniversaries occur about this time especially: Frs.; Philip Casey, John Fitzpatrick, Thomas Power & Deacon ; Patrick Selwood. 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. This week, in addition to our usual School and regular group visitors, we bid a warm welcome to the UCM Diocesan Officers, Birmingham Lay Carmelite Community, National Conference of Secular Institute, SVP, TOBY Group, Worshipful Company of Smiths, Legion of Mary (St. Brigid's Parish), Association of Diocesan Archivists, Commission for Inter-Religious Dialogue, Lourdes Medical Association and the youth attending the Diocesan Invocation Day. 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 this Sunday 6th October in the Grimshaw Room, you are welcome to join us for refreshments.

Messe en Français every first Sunday of the month. The next Mass will be this Sunday 6th October at 2.30pm.

School Educational Visits this week: Tuesday – Guardian Angels, Shard.

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.

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!

The Papal Tailor Gammarelli, Rome who have been serving the clergy for over two hundred years will be in the Grimshaw Room on Friday 25th October from 10.00am – 5.00pm. Stefano Paolo Gammarelli, who will be leading the visit said: "*we are very excited about our trip to England. It will be good to see some of our regular clients and to meet new members of the clergy.*"

Please see noticeboard for details.

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.

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 11th October 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. All are welcome. See notice board for further details.

Parish & Deanery Events

Music at St. Chad's – On Monday 7th October 2013 at 7.30pm. An Organ Concert performed by our Director of Music, Professor David Saint. Admission (on the Door) is £5 (£3).

Invocation FACE TO FACE – Saturday 12th October 2013 here at St. Chad's Cathedral. Keynote speakers:– Fr. Glen Sudano ; Fr. Dermot Donnelly, Edwin Fawcett, Rise Theatre. Please see noticeboard for details.

Parish Lunch: Sunday 20th October following the 11am Mass in the Canon's Dining Room. Come and enjoy great home cooked food. To help with preparation, please book early. Adults £7 and Children under 10: £5. Tickets available from Cathedral House Reception on weekdays during working hours and after Masses on Saturday evening & Sunday.

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 gift with friends. Please see the flyers at the back of the cathedral.

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

ACTA: The ACTA National Conference 2013 is on Saturday October 26th 2013 at Newman University, Genners Lane, Bartley Green, Birmingham. Please see noticeboard for details.

Traidcraft – Address by Dr. Paula Gooder on Wednesday 23rd October 2013 at The Church at Carrs Lane Birmingham. Please see noticeboard for details.

Cathedral Renovations: thank you to all who have contributed 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.

Cathedral Lighting: you may have noticed improvements to lighting in some areas of the Cathedral? Many of the existing lamps (bulbs) have burnt out. To change one light bulb in the Cathedral costs almost £3,000! The bulb is cheap enough – but it's the cost of the equipment to get to it!! Normally we wait until we have to change all of the bulbs – that time is almost here!!! To quote Blessed John Henry Cardinal Newman: 'Lead kindly light amid th'encircling gloom.'