Twenty Eighth Sunday
Prisoners Sunday
12th October 2014

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Sundays: Week 14 (Year A)  Weekdays: Year 2  Divine Office: Psalter Week 4

Entrance Antiphon: If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel.

Respensorial Psalm: In the Lord’s own house shall I dwell for ever and ever.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! The word was made flesh and lived among us; to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: The rich suffer want and go hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.
Cathedral Collections

Last Week:
- Loose: £456.18
- Gift Aid: £122.50
- Restoration Fund: £54.15
- Ordinariate of OLW: £320.90

2nd collection this Sunday is the delayed CAFOD Family Fast Day Collection.

2nd collection next Sunday is for the Church Missions (Association for the Propagation of the Faith) APF.

Cathedral Flowers for this week are In Memoriam of a Special Intention.
Next week the flowers are for Albert Milton.

Gift Aid can be taken out at any time of the year. Thank you to everyone registered as it is a valuable source of additional income to the Cathedral at no extra cost to the parishioners.

Anyone currently registered who changes their address please would you ensure that you amend your address with us so we can continue to claim Gift Aid on your behalf.
Please contact Margaret Regan at Cathedral House 0121 230 6208 for details on Gift Aid and other finance matters.

Thank you for all the financial support we receive in these difficult times.

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.

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 Speaking Community every First Sunday. Please contact Canon Gerry.

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Cathedral Site Statistics:
Week: 28th September - 4th October 2014
Hours we were open : 115
Liturgies & Meetings : 134
Number of Visitors : 2752

Please do not leave any personal property in the benches when going to receive Holy Communion
Prayer Intentions: Frs. Tony Haycock, Pat Farrelly, Peter Rogers, Paul Chavasse C.O., & Tony Sims; Deacons: David McCarroll; David Pranauskas & Patrick Linthwaite. Also, Barry Holmes, Mary Dungate, Bessie Young, Ann Smith, Agnes Bentara, Margaret Measey, Jim Matthews, Stephen McLean, Brian Gregory, Remo Forcellini, Eva McNair, Phyllis McCullion, John O’Donaghue, Marie Southall, Godwin Anisiobi, Sheila Barr, Lorraine Grant, Alwen Griffiths, Gwen Morris, Bridie Kearney, Elaine Harvey, Rita Bevan, Margaret Hynes, Bridie Dunne, Louise Davis, Bernadette O’Halleron, Bridie & Pat Connolly, Eileen O’Halloran, Elaine Harvey, Shirley Ward, Hayley Martin, Maureen Daly, Bridget Casey, Jane Goodyear, Ernie Cannon, Chelsea Reeves, Sarah Presswood, Mark Correa, Gill Goodfellow, Oliver Crocock, Stephen Birch, Maureen Birch; youngsters: Zach McEniff, Sevan Zegue and all the children in the Children’s Hospital.


Prayer Intentions of the Holy Father for the Month of October
Universal: Peace. That the Lord may grant peace to those parts of the world most battered by war and violence. For Evangelization: Service to the poor - World Mission Day - That World Mission Day may rekindle in every believer zeal for carrying the Gospel into all the world.

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.

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. In addition to the regular groups who meet here, we welcome the National Conference of Secular Institutes, the members of the Cathedral Association for their AGM; the TOBY Group, and all attending the meeting of the Venerable English College. You are all most welcome. If we can be of any assistance to you, please ask a member of staff.

St Chad’s Junior Choir has grown out of our Choral Outreach Programme. They rehearse every Thursday during the school term in the Grimshaw Room, 5.00-6.30 pm. A wonderful opportunity to stimulate young minds and develop a love for music and voice. Places are restricted. For more information please contact David & Alexandra Wynne: choralousreach@rc-birmingham.org

School Educational Visits: Monday 13th: Our Lady of Lourdes; Yardley Wood, Wednesday 15th: St. Patrick’s; Walsall and Thursday 16th: Ss. Mary & Benedict; Coventry.

Messe en Français every first Sunday of the month with the West Midlands French Speaking Community. The next Mass will be on Sunday 2nd November 2014 at 2.30pm in the Cathedral.

Cathedral Flowers In Memoriam or Thanksgiving: The donations box for flowers raises very little money. It has been suggested that families or individuals may like to make a donation to help towards the flowers for a particular weekend in memory of a loved one, or in thanksgiving? We would include a mention in our weekly newsletter. The minimum cost for flowers is £30 a week. Should this appeal to any of you, please see Canon Gerry, Sr. Thérèse or call into Reception. There are 42 weekends in the liturgical year (not counting the Sundays of Advent & Lent). Thank you for the magnificent response so far!
**Poor Box Offerings:** These are used to fund the hungry and those in genuine need, for example: provisions for the Sanctuary; 100+ hot meals once a month for the city homeless; and families or individuals in need of emergency assistance. On behalf of all beneficiaries: Thank You!

**Parish & Deanery Events**

**St. Chad’s Cathedral Association** 11th Annual Dinner in the Canons’ Dining Room on Friday 7th November 2014 at 7.00pm. After dinner entertainment by The English Trombone Consort. Price £32.50 includes pre dinner drink. Please book your place/s early as numbers are limited and will be allocated on a first come first served basis. Please see noticeboard for further information.

**Meet & Greet** every first Sunday of the month following the 11am Mass. Our next gathering will be on Sunday 2nd November 2014 in the Grimshaw Room. You are welcome to join us for refreshments.

**Organ Concert by: Thomas Monnet** on Wednesday 29th October 2014 at 7.30pm in the Cathedral.

**Conference in Response to the Synod of Bishops and the Pastoral Challenges of the Family in the Context of Evangelisation:** Saturday October 25, Newman University, 10am-4pm. For places please contact Newman University direct: events@newman.ac.uk

**Touching the Robe –** Holy Hour and Anointing at Corpus Christi Church, Stechford on Friday 24th October 2014 at 7.30pm. Please see noticeboard for further details.

**Second Friday Group: The Witnesses for Christ** – Meets every 2nd Friday in the Grimshaw Room. Meetings start with the rosary at 7.30pm and finish at 9.00pm. Next meeting will be on Friday 14th November 2014. For information contact Ben Thatcher on 07885 505115 or ben.thatcher@ymail.com

**St. Paul’s School for Girls,** Vernon Road, Edgbaston is holding an Open Evening on Transition to the Sixth Form on Thursday, 23rd October 2014. Please see noticeboard. Registration takes place from 5.45pm and the presentation will commence at 6pm prompt in the New Hall. Girls wishing to continue their education beyond 16 are invited to attend as are their parents.

**Evening Concert** given by the Warwickshire Baroque in St. Mary’s College, Oscott on Saturday 18th October at 7.30pm. Tickets £5.00 available by calling 0121 321 5026 or at the door. All proceeds in aid of Oscott Action for Justice & Peace charities. Please see noticeboard for details.

**The Joy of the Lord…..featuring Jo Boyce and Friends of CJM……an evening of uplifting, faith-filled music….Please see noticeboard for venue & ticket information.**

**Flower Festival Notelets** - now available from Reception during the week and after Mass on Sundays at the back of the Cathedral. They are smartly packed in tens (five of each type) to make them as appealing as possible, at the modest price of £5 per pack. Please see noticeboard for details.

**Second Saturday Catholic Conventions** – Held every 2nd Saturday of the month from 8am – 4pm at Bethel Convention Centre. Please see noticeboard for details or visit www.sehion.net

**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-authorised vehicles will be locked in until the car park opens again. Cars are parked at owner’s risk. The Cathedral accepts no responsibility for loss or damage to any vehicle or persons.

Please visit our website for additional information: www.stchadscathedral.org.uk