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Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

28th October 2018

Thirtieth Week of Ordinary Time Year B. Psalter Week 2. Weekday cycle 2

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

Responsorial Psalm What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! I am the light of the world, says the Lord, anyone who follows me will have the light of life. Alleluia!

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




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Mass Times: 27th October – 4th November 2018

Sat 27 10.00am	Feria in Ordinary Time Sahra Dowie Int.
Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
4.30pm (Vigil)	Don Smith RIP
Sun 28 9.00am 11.00am	Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Michael McDermott Michael Joseph Barrett
Mon 29 12.15pm	Feria in Ordinary Time Therese Conroy RIP
Tue 30 12.15pm 12.30pm	Feria in Ordinary Time Mrs Mary Cohan Int. Mass in the Children's Hospital
Wed 31 12.00noon	Feria in Ordinary Time Vincent Cullens Sp. Int.
NOVEMBER The Month of Holy Souls	
Thu 1 12.15pm <i>1.15pm</i> 6.00pm	Solemnity of All Saints A Holy Day of Obligation Rita Owens Int. <i>Organ Recital</i> People of the Parish
Friday 2 12.15pm	The Faithful Departed (Holy Souls) The Holy Souls
Sat 3 10.00am 12.00noon	Feria in Ordinary Time Betty Daly Int. Mass for Deceased Catenian Brothers
Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time	
4.30pm (Vigil)	Michael O'Driscoll RIP
Sun 4 9.00am 11.00am 12.30pm 1.30pm	Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time People of the Parish Luke Jordan Int. <i>Followed by Meet & Greet</i> Baptism of Cassius-John Reid Messe en Français

The 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. There is also an opportunity for Confession after the 10.00am Mass on Saturday during Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Please check newsletter for changes.

Meet & Greet every first Sunday of the month following the 11.00am Mass in the Grimshaw Room. **The next Meet & Greet will take place on Sunday 4th November 2018.**

Messe en Français for the West Midlands French speaking community. Every first Sunday of the month at 1.30pm. **The next Mass will be on Sunday 4th November.**

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unattended. Thank you.**

The Hail Holy Queen Prayer will be recited in place of the Hail Mary during the month of Holy Souls

Hail, Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy, Hail our life, our sweetness and our hope! To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve; to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears. Turn then, O most gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy towards us and after this our exile show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus; O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

V. Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God.

R. that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Cathedral Collections Last Week

Main: £500.42 **Appeal Fund** £230.33 **Gift Aid:** £160.00
Comboni Missions: £305.44

Next week there will be a second collection for **The Johnson Association** supporting our sick and retired clergy.

Thank you for your prayers and generosity.

Cathedral Site Statistics: 14th–20th October 2018

Hours we were open: 118.5. Liturgies & Meetings: 146
Number of Visitors: 3,292

URGENT: Missio Red Boxes We are now collecting Red Boxes from parishioners so that we can empty them and send the proceeds to the charity. If you have a red box at home, please return it to Sr. Therese as soon as possible. A new box will be issued. Thank you.

Cathedral Flowers: We are now taking floral tribute requests. Please see the list at the back of the Cathedral. Thank you. If you wish to have a floral tribute in remembrance of a loved one or for a special intention, please complete the booking form at the back of the Cathedral. Thank you to all who have supported this initiative. **This week flowers are dedicated to Don Smith.**

Our Restoration Fund: with personal sponsorship, including our 'In Memoria' scheme, your generosity has enabled us to keep up a rolling program of restoration for many of our cathedral artefacts. The St Chad's Association is funding the re-gilding of the Lady Chapel and Sanctuary Rood Screens. A full list of what has been restored will be produce shortly, along with a 'wish list' of things yet to do. How indebted we are! Thank you for the care and affection you show for our cathedral.

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. This will help towards renovating particular items. Holy Mass will be offered for the intention of all of our Benefactors.

Saturday 4.30pm Mass: Gerry Byrne, one of our wardens, and his son Denis, have been absent because of having stay home to care for Denis' Mum, Annie. They wish to thank the congregation for their prayers and enquiries, and assure us of their prayers.

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 or margaret.regan@rc-birmingham.org for details on Gift Aid and other finance matters.

Faith Instruction for your Children Please leave names and contact details for Sr. Therese or Canon Gerry.

Welcome: It is good to see the return of many of our regular groups and societies following the recess and many new faces amongst our student body. (Please see note below from Fr. Ray) This week we welcome Members of the Catenian Society on Saturday.

If you are new to the parish, please introduce yourself to one of the priests. If you have wandered into our cathedral for the first time to simply look around or spend time in quiet prayer you are most welcome. If we can be of any assistance, please speak to one of our cathedral staff or call at Reception.

A Word of thanks to our Bell Ringers who rang a tribute peal last Tuesday evening to mark the centenary of the loss of Lance Corporal Walter Gossage in the First World War on Tuesday 18 October 1918. Walter was a Ringer here at St. Chad's, and Caretaker of St. Chad's School, Shadwell Street (now Archbishop's House). Last Tuesday the Ringers rang 'Stedman Triples' under the leadership of Alan S Burbridge (Captain of the Tower) alongside: Gillian Eastwood, Stephen W Horton, Jack E Page, Alistair J Cherry, John H Fielden, Mark R Eccleston and Paul E Biblio. We are grateful for their ringing throughout the year on Sundays and Major Festivals. Rarely seen, but always heard!

Prayer Intentions

Holy Father's Prayer Intention for November:
Universal: In the Service of Peace That the language of love and dialogue may always prevail over the language of conflict.

Our Prayer Lists

Those who are ill: Annie Byrne, Francis Moylyn, Ken Halford, Gerry Somers, Joseph Barrett, Christopher Dunn, and Baby Matilda Lynch. **Latently Dead:** Mgr. Paul Watson, Mgr. Patrick Jacquin, Marcella Fitzgerald, Ted O'Connell & Pat Shine.

For those whose anniversaries occur about this time: Bishop John Barrett. Frs.: Bernard Kelly, John O'Dwyer, James Faulconer-Morgan, Henry Taylor, and Louis Moore. Deacon Paul Grosvenor. **Also:** Anne Mooney, Harry Thorpe, Rosie Bartle, Morgan Hehir, John Walsh, Deceased members of D'Souza and Patrick Families, Joe Farley, Steve Heret, Christian Jude Le Blanc, Brendan Wall, Margaret Biggs & Pat Campbell. **Eternal Rest grant unto them O, Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. Amen.**

St Chad's Junior Choir has grown out of our Choral Outreach Programme. Rehearsals are on Thursday evenings during term time from 5.00pm-6.30pm. For more information please contact David and Alexander Wynne at choraloutreach@rc-birmingham.org

Catenian Mass for Deceased Brothers will be celebrated by Bishop Robert Byrne on **Saturday 3rd November 2018 at 12 noon.**

Knights of St Columba Mass for Deceased Brothers will be celebrated by Mgr. Timothy Menezes on **Saturday 10th November 2018 at 12 noon.**

Second Saturday Catholic Convention & Mass: Held every 2nd Saturday of the month from 8am – 4pm at Bethel Convention Centre. For details visit www.sehion.net

The Month of Holy Souls (November): is traditionally the month when we pray with added devotion for all the faithful departed. Praying for our dead is an act of charity, returning love for love, as we ask God to 'grant them eternal rest and for perpetual light to shine upon them'. In humility, this is what they would ask of us, that by God's grace they may be purged of sin and imperfection and come to share in the fullness of Christ's Resurrection. In every Mass we are particularly close to our loved ones who have died as their dying is united to the death of Christ in the one sacrifice to God the Father.

Our Holy Souls Boxes will remain on the steps of the sanctuary throughout November containing the names of our beloved dead.

Envelopes are provided if you would like to include the names of your own relatives and friends. Some people like to include a Mass offering as well; and Masses are offered throughout the year for the Holy Souls.

Help with cleaning the cathedral: We are seeking people who would be happy to join a team of volunteers to help with the cathedral on an occasional basis at a time to be agreed? Should you be interested or require further information please contact Canon Gerry or Margaret Regan. Many thanks. Thank you to those who have responded so far.

Oscott College Forthcoming events: Looking for a Halloween alternative? Well, come to Oscott College's event "Back from the Dead" on 31st October from 6pm. Walk around the grounds of Oscott College and meet the Saints and other special guests in an engaging and inspiring set of dramas.

Booking essential. Call Steven Tel.07458 629296 or email Steven.fleming@oscott.org

Also - Join us on the 10th November at Oscott College for A Murder Mystery Night. A murder has taken place in Oscott College, only you can help us solve the crime. Enjoy cheese and wine. Be sure to get your tickets by calling or emailing now. Tel. 07871 983818 or jonathon.bowes@oscott.org

St. Chad's Cathedral Carol Service – Sunday 16th December 2018 – followed by mulled wine and mince pies in the Grimshaw Room. Please come along and listen to our magnificent Cathedral singers under the direction of Professor David Saint sing a variety of Christmas songs and carols interspersed with readings from the scriptures. **All are welcome. NO CHARGE.**

RED WEDNESDAY – 28th November 2018 – Once again this year we will be lighting St Chad's cathedral in Red in support of Red Wednesday. By joining in prayer, by lighting the Cathedral in red, and by wearing red we will be doing something peaceful and positive to highlight the suffering – injustices, discrimination, violence, oppression, torture and death – of so many Christians and others today which goes largely unnoticed by the world.

All University Students: New & Old - If you are a Catholic student at university and would like to meet with other students for prayer, socials and support. Please email Fr. Ray Corbett, Chaplain to Aston University (r.corbett@aston.ac.uk) University students are invited to register their emails with Fr Ray Corbett, who is the chaplain to Aston University. It is the hope that activities can be arranged in the near future. Please email Fr Ray at: catholic-chaplaincy@aston.ac.uk Fr Ray is also available after the weekend Masses.

University & College Students: we know how important it is for students who come to study in Birmingham to feel at home, especially if you have come from abroad. Please help yourself to the Student Information at the back of the cathedral. There are great Catholic Chaplaincy Teams in our universities to introduce you to other Catholic students, and to encourage you in the practise of your faith.

Shadwell Street Development you will have noticed that Berkeley Homes have begun work on the former FGF factory site at the rear of the cathedral. Towards the end of the year, Shadwell Street will become a One-Way system, with traffic flow from the Princip Street running up to Old Snowhill. Berkeley's will create a 'pit stop' lane for the delivery of materials during the construction period of three years, which will result in the loss of the public parking bays on Shadwell Street. We will keep you updated on progress.

Basilica The latest issue of the Basilican Magazine is on sale from this week at the back of the Cathedral. It includes an article by His Grace Archbishop Bernard Longley. Please put your £5 in the box marked Basilican on the back wall.

St Joseph's Home little Sisters of the Poor Annual Christmas Fayre, Saturday 3rd November 2018. 12noon – 3.00pm. Please support this event if you can. All welcome. 71 Queens Park Road, Harborne, B32 2LB

St. Joseph's Home, Coleshill, offers residential care to older people and those living with dementia in a Catholic setting. Respite bedrooms are also available for those who could benefit from a short stay. If you or someone you know might benefit from the care offered at St. Joseph's, please call 01675 434500 for an informal chat or to arrange a visit.

Pugin Society - Would you be interested in learning more about AWN Pugin, the eminent Victorian architect who designed this Cathedral and the interiors of the Houses of Parliament. The Pugin Society founded in 1995 offers a lively range of events, study tours, talks and publications. Details: www.thepuginsociety.co.uk

WOMEN, FAITH & DIALOGUE - All are welcome to a morning of speakers and discussion surrounding women in faith and equality, organised by the Columban missionaries, from 10.00am on Saturday 10th November at Christ Church in Sparkbrook B11 1LS. The event is free to attend and concludes with lunch at 1.00pm. For more details and to confirm your attendance email Catherine to volunteer@columbans.co.uk.

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.