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Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

21st October 2018

'World Mission Day'

Twenty-Ninth Week of Ordinary Time Year B. Psalter Week 1. Weekday cycle 2

Entrance Antiphon To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God; turn your ear to me; hear my words. Guard me as the apple of your eye; in the shadow of your wings protect me.

Responsorial Psalm May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! I am the Way, the Truth and the Life, says the Lord; no one can come to the Father except through me. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: Behold, the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him, who hope in his merciful love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep alive in famine.




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Mass Times: 20th October – 28th October 2018

Sat 20 Feria in Ordinary Time
Optional memorial of Our Lady on Saturday
10.00am Bereaved Family of Patrick Withers

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time 'World Mission Day'

4.30pm (Vigil) Cathedral Association Mass

Sun 21 Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9.00am People of the Parish

11.00am Willie Flaherty RIP

Mon 22 Feria in Ordinary Time

12.15pm Brian Calter RIP

Tue 23 Feria in Ordinary Time

12.15pm Alice Roberts RIP

12.30pm Mass in the Children's Hospital

Wed 24 Feria in Ordinary Time

12.15pm Mary Sexton Int.

Thu 25 Feria in Ordinary Time

12.15pm Margaret Mulpeter Int.

Friday 26 Feria in Ordinary Time

Optional Memorial of St Cedd

9.15am St Chad's School Mass

12.15pm Keanu Williams RIP

Sat 27 Feria in Ordinary Time

10.00am Sahra Dowie Int.

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4.30pm (Vigil) Don Smith RIP

Sun 28 Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9.00am Michael McDermott

11.00am Michael Joseph Barrett

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 is on Sunday 4th November 2018.**

End of British Summer Time: The clocks go back one hour on Sunday 28th October at 2 in the morning. So at 2am we turn our clocks back to 1am. (The Digital Age does this automatically).

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Cathedral Collections Last Week

Main £467.57 Appeal Fund £263.04 Gift Aid: £192.50

Thank you for your prayers and generosity.

Today there will be a second collection this weekend for the Missions on behalf of the **Comboni Missions.**

Cathedral Site Statistics:

7th October – 13th October 2018

Hours we were open 119

Liturgies & Meetings 134

Number of Visitors 3111

School Visits:

Tuesday: St Bernadette's, Yardley

Thursday: St Bernadette's, Yardley

Friday: Staff of St Joseph's School, Dudley

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. **Next week flowers are dedicated to the 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 produced 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.

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.

A Word of Welcome This weekend we welcome Fr Ben Lodge, a Passionist priest, who will be speaking at all Masses about the work of two of his fellow Passionists: Blessed Dominic Barberi and Fr Ignatius Spencer. Also, a warm welcome to all of those who represent the various groups and societies who meet here on a regular basis, including the Cathedral Association attending the 4.30pm

Mass on Saturday with His Grace, the Archbishop, followed by their annual meal afterwards. Others visiting our cathedral are: the staff and pupils from St Bernadette's, Yardley who join us for a guided tour of the Cathedral; and the Staff of St Joseph's School, Dudley, who join us for a tour of the Cathedral as part of their staff training day.

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.

Prayer Intentions

Holy Father's Prayer Intention for October:

Evangelization: The Mission of religious That the consecrated religious men and women may bestir themselves, and be present among the poor, the marginalized, and those who have no voice.

Our Prayer Lists

Prayer List: Those who are ill: Annie Byrne, Francis Moylyn, Ken Halford, Gerry Somers, Joseph Barrett and Christopher Dunn.

Lately Dead: Mgr. Paul Watson, Marcella Fitzgerald, Ted O'Connell and Margaret Loughran.

Anniversaries: Frs.: Thomas Burbage, John Murray, John Galcius, Edward Burbage, Patrick Moore and John Francis McGovern. **Also:** Eileen Swift, John O'Neill, Sarah White, Ivy Betts, Mary O'Donnell, Fred Robinson, Patrick Duffy, Nan Aitken and Margot Martinez.

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 resumed on 27th September with practice 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.**

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.

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 Cathedral War Memorial in the South Aisle has been decorated a little earlier than the month of November. The Memorial is dedicated to the memory of some 200 men and boys from the cathedral parish who fell in WW 1 and WW 2. Some of their names are listed in the Book of Remembrance. This Tuesday, 23 October, marks the centenary of the death of one of those men, Lance Corporal Walter Gossage who was killed during the World War 1 aged 38. He was a former caretaker of St Chad's School in Shadwell Street, now Archbishop's House. He was also a bell ringer here at the cathedral. He served with the Lincolnshire Regiment 2nd Bn. Service No.51519. Commemorated at Montay-Neuvilly Road Cemetery, Montay, France, Grave II B 16. Born 1880. One of three children; all surviving at the 1911 census. Son of Julia Gossage (née Hobbis) and the late Alfred Howard Gossage (died 1899). Husband of Mary C. Gossage (née Bowen), whom he married in 1912, of 87 Bath Street, Birmingham. Walter rang his first peal, covering to Grandsire Triples, at St Chad's Cathedral, Birmingham, on 20/03/1912, conducted by Thomas Miller. Other peals at St Chad's Cathedral followed, on 08/01/1913 and 26/08/1914 when he again covered to Grandsire Triples. He rang the treble to a peal of Grandsire Triples at St Chad's on 13/01/1915. On 01/03/1916, he was the witness to a hand bell peal of Stedman Caters at St Chad's School, Shadwell Street. A memorial quarter peal of Grandsire Triples was rung to his memory on 26/12/1918 at St Chad's Cathedral. Born: King's Norton, Birmingham. Enlisted: Birmingham. Resided (1911 Census): Boarding with Mary Lynch in Bath Street, Birmingham.

To mark his centenary, the Cathedral Bell Ringers will ring a tribute from 6.00pm – 7.30pm this Tuesday, 23rd October in honour of **Lance Corporal Walter Gossage;** a Soldier.

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 contains some really interesting articles including one by His Grace Archbishop Bernard Longley. Please put your £5 in the box marked Basilican on the back wall.

Society for the protection of Unborn Children

The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children has produced postcards so that you can send a message to your MP urging him/her to vote against a dangerous abortion bill which is coming up in the House of Commons on **Tuesday 23rd October 2018**. Postcards are available at the back of the Cathedral.

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.

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.**

Oscott College, the diocesan seminary for the formation of our future priests, have begun their new academic year. We are delighted to welcome one of the house groups along with one of their academic staff, Fr. Andrew Robinson and Deacon Kevin Lawrie (Motherwell). They will be joining us for Sunday morning Mass at 11am for various weekends during the academic year. Please keep them in your prayers.

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.thepuginociety.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.