



# Metropolitan Cathedral & Basilica of St Chad

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## Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

### 27<sup>th</sup> January 2019

**Divine Office: Psalter week**      **Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**Year C. Psalter Week 3.**

**Entrance Antiphon**      **O sing a new song to the Lord; sing to the Lord, all the earth.**  
**In his presence are majesty and splendour, strength and**  
**honour in his holy place.**

**Responsorial Psalm**      **Our words are spirit, Lord, and they are life.**

**Gospel Acclamation:**      **Alleluia, alleluia! The Lord has sent me to bring the Good**  
**News to the poor, to proclaim liberty to the captives. Alleluia!**

**Communion Antiphon:** **Look toward the Lord and be radiant; let your faces not be**  
**abashed.**



  
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## Mass Times: 26<sup>th</sup> January – 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2019

**Sat 26**      **Ss. Timothy and Titus**  
10.00am      Elsie Head (Nee Wallis)

### **Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4.30pm (Vigil) Abhiraz & Sherin RIP

**Sun 27**      **Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
9.00am      People of the Parish  
11.00am      Sharon Brown Private Int.

**Mon 28**      **St Thomas Aquinas**  
12.15pm      Brid Sheehan & Family

**Tue 29**      **Feria in Ordinary Time**  
12.15pm      Sarah, PJ & Family  
12.30pm      Mass in the Children's Hospital

**Wed 30**      **Feria in Ordinary Time**  
12.15pm      Augustine Davies RIP

**Thu 31**      **St John Bosco**  
9.15am      Mass in St Chad's Primary School  
12.15pm      Mr & Mrs Dixon

**Friday 1**      **Feria in Ordinary Time**  
12.15pm      Eileen King Sp. Int.

**Sat 2**      **Feast of the Presentation of the Lord**  
10.00am      Benjamin Michael RIP  
12.00 noon      Mass - Day for Religious

### **Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4.30pm (Vigil) People of the Parish

**Sun 3**      **Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
9.00am      Mary McDonald Sp. Int.  
11.00am      Mass of Thanksgiving – Marriage  
Celebrant : His Grace Archbishop  
Bernard Longley  
1.30pm      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.

***Messe en Français*** for the West Midlands French speaking community. Every first Sunday of the month at 1.30pm. **The next Mass is on 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2019.**

***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 10<sup>th</sup> February 2019.**

### **Cathedral Collections Last Week**

**Main £305.55    Restoration Fund £265.94**  
**Gift Aid £270**

### **Cathedral Site Statistics:**

**13<sup>th</sup> January – 19<sup>th</sup> January 2019**

Hours we were open      **104.5**  
Liturgies & Meetings      **137**  
Number of Visitors      **3116**

Next weekend there will be a second collection for **LIFE**.

### **Holy Father's Prayer Intention for February:**

**Universal:** For a generous welcome of the victims of human trafficking, of enforced prostitution, and of violence.

### **Cathedral Prayer List**

**Those who are ill:** Annie Byrne, Ken Halford, Liz Wainhouse, Joseph Barrett, Christopher Dunn, Anne Symonds, Philomena Laird and John Dunn.

### **Lately Dead:**

Ann Begley, Pat Sullivan, Fr. Edmund Motherway, Deacon Peter Mason, Bridget Molloy, P J Couchlan, Francis Moyna, Peter Hayward, Gerry Somers, Mrs Parry.

### **For those whose anniversaries occur about this time:**

Mgr. Michael Williams. Canon; Kevin James Good. Frs.: Richard Roche, James Heneghan, Charles Smith, Mortimer Loftus, John Berry, David Condron and Denis Clancy.

**Also:** James Dernien, Malcolm Armitt, Catherine Driscoll, Gerard Casey, Raga Fahmi, Maggie Hannigan, Mary Williams, and Nora Godfrey

**Eternal Rest grant unto them O, Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. Amen.**

### ***Francis (Frank) Moyna RIP - Funeral Details:***

Frank was a regular at our lunch time Mass. His funeral takes place at Holy Family Church, Coventry Road, Small Heath on: **Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2019 at 10.15am.** Reception Monday 28<sup>th</sup> January at 6pm.

### ***Marriage Week***

Next Sunday, 3rd February, Archbishop Bernard will celebrate the 11am Mass here in the Cathedral. It has been advertised widely across the Archdiocese as a Mass to celebrate the vocation of marriage.

Several hundred people are expected for that Mass, so we just want to give you notice that it will be a much fuller Cathedral than normal, and the 11am is full enough normally.

You are most welcome and there is a particular invitation to those celebrating any milestone anniversary of marriage this year. But with this notice, you may also choose to attend one of the other Masses next weekend: on Saturday at 4.30pm or Sunday at 9am.

***Welcome:*** In addition to our regular meetings, this week we welcome visitors from Ace Tours and those who join us for the NQT training day. Both groups will have a guided tour of the Cathedral. A warm welcome is extended to those attending the Lourdes Nursing meeting. We are also joined by our Diocesan Trustees and those attending the Day for Religious on 2<sup>nd</sup> February.

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.

### ***Faith Instruction for your Children:***

Please leave names and contact details for Sr. Therese.

***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](mailto:margaret.regan@rc-birmingham.org) for details on Gift Aid and other finance matters.

***Gift Aid Envelopes:*** For those of you who use gift aid envelopes, please collect your new envelopes from the Cathedral Sacristy.

### ***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.

### ***The Recitation of the Angelus***

The cathedral Angelus Bell sounds every 6 hours (6am, 12pm, 6pm & 12am). This is a call to personal prayer for those within and without the cathedral. We do not schedule any collective recitation of the Angelus. However, if Mass is not being celebrated or no other event is taking place, including guided tours when the Angelus Bell sounds, **then, and only then**, those who may be in the cathedral at that time may recite the Angelus together rather than interrupt an event.

***Poor Box:*** We are particularly grateful for the donations we receive through the Poor Box. Be assured that we keep a strict record of how we disperse any funds. Your generosity helps to bring something of the joy into the homes of our poor families. On their behalf: 'Thank you!'

### ***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 has funded the installation of wrought iron handrails to the left of the sanctuary steps in addition to the re-gilding of the Rood Screen on the Lady Chapel and sanctuary. How indebted we are! Thank you for the care and affection you show for our cathedral.

***CATHEDRAL SECURITY*** For your interest and safety, we ask you to be understanding of the occasions when we have to increase security in and around the cathedral. We ask your cooperation when we have to conduct security checks on regular parishioners as well as on our visitors. We do ask that you never leave any bags unattended while you are in the cathedral. If anyone asks you for money, please do not give them anything but direct them to the Reception. Genuine people are never turned away. Also, we do not have toilets that are open to the public. The toilets will be opened just before Mass when the sanctuary is being prepared, and they will be closed after Mass once the sanctuary is cleared unless there is a concert or event in the cathedral.

### ***Visiting Schools and Groups- 31<sup>st</sup> January – 8<sup>th</sup> February 2019***

**Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> January** – Ace Tours

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> February** – NQT Training Group

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> February** – St Margaret Mary, Erdington

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> February** – St Mary & Benedict, Coventry

### ***St Chad's Junior Choir***

The choir has grown out of our Choral Outreach Programme. Rehearsals are on Thursday evenings during term time from 5.00pm-6.30pm. Rehearsals will resume again on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2019. For more information please contact David and Alexander Wynne at [choraloutreach@rc-birmingham.org](mailto:choraloutreach@rc-birmingham.org)



**In Operation**

**Cathedral Flowers** We are now taking floral tribute requests for the year 2019. Please see the list at the back of the Cathedral. 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 and hand over your donations to a member of staff or at Cathedral House Reception. Thank you to all who have supported this initiative. **This weekend the flowers will be dedicated to William Hull.**

**Shadwell Street Development:** The one way system on Shadwell Street is now in effect. A permanent fenced pit lane has been erected, reducing the street to a single lane and there are no longer any parking bays. The one-way system with traffic flow from Princip St running up to Old Snowhill means it is not be possible to turn into Shadwell St from Old Snowhill/Constitution Hill or to exit the car park to the right. To enable access to the Cathedral Car Park, vehicles will have to drive past the front of the Cathedral, turning left onto Newtown Row then left on to Princip St & Shadwell St. We will keep you updated of any further developments.

**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](mailto: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](mailto:catholic-chaplaincy@aston.ac.uk)

**Medaille Trust** - A new partnership to raise awareness of modern slavery is to be launched at a special service at St Chad's Cathedral next month. The Archdiocese of Birmingham is joining forces with the Medaille Trust in a six-year awareness raising partnership. The new initiative, called 'Look Up', will be launched on Friday 8 February as part of the Annual Service for Saint Josephine Bakhita Day. Saint Josephine is the patron saint of human trafficking victims. She was sold as a slave several times out of her birthplace of Sudan into Italy. **The ecumenical service at St Chad's Cathedral starts at 6pm on 8<sup>th</sup> February and will feature music and spoken word to inspire and motivate everyone present, no matter what their beliefs or practice. It will be led by His Grace, the most Reverend Bernard Longley, Archbishop of Birmingham, with guest speaker Rt Rev Dr Alastair Redfern, retired Anglican Bishop of Derby and chair of the Anti-Slavery Commissioners Advisory Panel.** Archbishop Longley has made a commitment to work with the Medaille Trust to make a stand and aim to end slavery.

**Bernardine Cistercians – Adoremus: Faith & Discernment: Come and See Weekend**  
**Monastery of Our Lady of Hynning, Lancashire**  
**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February – Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2019.**  
Spend a weekend with a monastic community and experience a life of prayer and work of hospitality. For single Catholic Men & women in their 20s/30s. For more information, contact Sr. Mary Bernard: [hynningbooking@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:hynningbooking@yahoo.co.uk)

**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 Sr Thérèse or Andrew. Many thanks. Thank you to those who have responded so far.

**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](http://www.sehion.net)

**St Stephen's Guild Mass of Thanksgiving Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2019 at 12 noon at St Chad's Cathedral**  
Mass of celebration and thanksgiving for altar server's ministry will be celebrated by Archbishop Bernard Longley. Contact Kathryn Baylis at [kathryn@vocations.org.uk](mailto:kathryn@vocations.org.uk) or by calling 0121 321 5144

**St Paul's School for Girls, Vernon Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham, B16 9SL** will be holding a Memorial Mass to celebrate the life and work of Miss Eastwood (former Head of RE) on Saturday, 16 March 2019 at 10:30am. The Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Robert Byrne. If you wish to attend can you please contact Mrs Pellowe, prior to the date, either by phone (0121 454 0895) or email ([spellowe@stpaulgl.bham.sch.uk](mailto:spellowe@stpaulgl.bham.sch.uk)) with your name and number attending.

#### **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.

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### ***THE ARCHBISHOP'S PASTORAL LETTER***

Thank you for the responses we received to the Archbishop's Pastoral Letter on the Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse (IICSA).

The letter is still available on the Archdiocese website: <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/>.

The Archdiocese believes that the work being done by IICSA is of great significance and supports the aim of strengthening and improving safeguarding practises and cultures within the Church.

The welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults is a fundamental priority for the Archdiocese.

Fostering a culture which has safeguarding at its very heart remains a key part of our work.

If you would like to speak to someone about safeguarding and the Church's work, please call **0121 230 6240**.

If you would like to speak to someone independent of the Church you can contact the NSPCC on **0800 800 5000**

#### ***Lourdes, Nevers & Rue du Bac, Paris***

Departs Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> July 2019 and Returns 3<sup>rd</sup>

August 2019. Travel by coach.

4\* Hotel Helgon in Lourdes

Further details can be obtained from:

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Or email: [andrewsoldnall@gmail.com](mailto:andrewsoldnall@gmail.com)

#### ***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](http://www.thepuginsociety.co.uk)

#### ***Pilgrimage to Rome 14<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> October 2019***

***Return flights from Birmingham - Rome***

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#### ***Lourdes – Feast of the Immaculate Conception***

***Weekend Pilgrimage 6<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> December 2019***

£245 per person sharing and £500 in a single room.

Return flights Luton – Toulouse.

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