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Solemnity of the Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ 23rd June 2019

Divine Office: Psalter week Solemnity of the Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ
Year C. Psalter Week 4

- Entrance Antiphon** He fed them with the finest wheat and satisfied them with honesty from the rock.
- Responsorial Psalm** You are a priest forever, a priest like Melchizedek of old.
- Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! I am the living bread which has come down from heaven, says the Lord. Anyone who eats this bread will live forever. Alleluia!
- Communion Antiphon:** Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.



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Mass Times: 22nd June – 30th June 2019

Sat 22	Feast of St John Fisher & Thomas More 10.00am Denis McCarthy Sp. Int. 12.15pm Closing Mass – Dowry Tour of Our Lady of Walsingham
	Vigil for Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ 4.30pm Austin O’Neill RIP
Sun 23	Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ 9.00am People of the Parish 11.00am Costantino Tessaro RIP 1.00pm Corpus Christi Procession from St. Michael’s to St. Chad’s Cathedral
Mon 24	Solemnity of the Nativity of John the Baptist 12.15pm Nancy & Bernadette Redmond RIP
Tue 25	Feria in Ordinary Time 12.15pm Catherine Dillon (Nee Wallis) 12.30pm Mass in the Children’s Hospital
Wed 26	Feria in Ordinary Time 12.15pm Mary Houston Int.
Thurs 27	Feria in Ordinary Time 9.15am St Chad’s School Mass 12.15pm Vincenzo Papa Sp. Int.
Friday 28	Solemnity of the Most Immaculate Heart of Mary 12.15pm Sinead O’Connor & Family Int.
Sat 29	Immaculate Heart of Mary 10.00am Vic, Sylvia & Family Int. 12.00noon Knights of St Columba Centenary Mass Vigil for Solemnity of the SS Peter & Paul 4.30pm Anne Stapleton RIP
Sun 30	Solemnity of the SS Peter & Paul 9.00am Margaret Monaghan RIP 11.00am People of the Parish

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.

St. Paul’s Book Shop is now open every 1st Sunday of the month. Opening times are: 9.45am – 11.00am and after the Mass at 11.00am until 1.00pm. Please support this initiative.

FIRST FRIDAYS OF THE MONTH:

An additional Mass will take place at **7.45am in the Crypt** on the First Friday of each month. All are welcome.

Cathedral Collections Last Week

Main **£436.22**
Gift Aid **£111.50**
Appeal **£47.47**
Day for Life **£281.07**

Cathedral Site Statistics:

9th June – 15th June 2019

Hours we were open 111
Liturgies & Meetings 149
Number of Visitors 3619

Second Collection: Next weekend there will be a second collection for **Peter’s Pence**.

Holy Father’s Prayer Intention for June:

Evangelization – The priests, through the modesty and humility of their lives, commit themselves actively to a solidarity with those who are poor.

Cathedral Prayer List

Those who are ill: David Tooth, Annie Byrne, Ken Halford, Liz Wainhouse, Joseph Barrett, Christopher Dunn, Anne Symonds, Philomena Laird, John Dunn Abigail, Robert Scott-Putock, Ann Wassell (Redmond), Maria Garofalo and Fran McKearney

Lately Dead:

Michael Brady, Denny Gallagher, James Staunton, Olive Byrne, Joe Thewlis, Billy Norris and Ann Bache.

For those whose anniversaries occur about this time:

Mgr. Hugh Montgomery. **Frs.:** John Bradley, John Joseph McMorrow, John Boyer and James Walsh.

Deacon Ralph Watkins.

Also: Mary Butler, Helen O’Sullivan, Josephine O’Brien, Kathleen Counihan, Ian Forood, Angela Gadsby, Ros Fitter and Maria Lobes Perena.

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

Faith Instruction for your Children:

Please leave names and contact details with Sr. Therese.

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 7th July 2019**

School Visits:

Tuesday 25th June: Our Lady of Fatima

Wednesday 26th June: St Mary’s

Thursday 27th June: Our Lady of Lourdes

The stunning organ at St Chad's Cathedral is to undergo a major overhaul to ensure its continued use for decades to come. After almost 25 years in use – the organ was installed as part of the Cathedral's 150th anniversary restoration – it's time for a complete restoration. The project is set to cost in the region of £50,000 and will be undertaken by specialists Nicholson & Co. We are pleased to inform you work on the organ began on Monday 10th June and will continue for approximately 6 weeks. If you would like to make a donation, or organise a fundraising event, please contact Margaret Regan, St Chad's Cathedral finance secretary, by email: margaret.regan@rc-birmingham.org

Welcome: In addition to our regular meetings, this week we welcome Pupils from, Our Lady of Fatima, Quinton, St. Mary's, Studley and Our Lady of Lourdes. Each school will have a guided tour of the Cathedral. This forms part of their Confirmation Preparation.

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.

All Readers and Eucharistic Ministers – When ascending the Sanctuary, please approach the steps at the centre as usual but kindly use the handrails on either side. The Lectern side for readers and divide in either direction for Eucharistic Ministers.

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION – Sunday 23rd June.

All are welcome to join the procession from St Michael's Church, Moor St to St Chad's Cathedral which starts at 1pm, led by His Grace, Archbishop Bernard Longley.

The celebration commences with Mass in English & Polish at 11.30am, followed by Exposition and the Litany to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. There will be further prayers and a homily from His Grace when the procession reaches the Cathedral.

Afterwards, all are welcome to join us in the Grimshaw Room for refreshments.

50th Annual Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Lourdes Diocesan Shrine Hednesford, near Cannock on Sunday 7th July 2019 - Fare £9.00 per person.

[Booking Form](#) located at back of Cathedral

Please note, the coach has already been paid for, therefore if you put your name on the list you will be required to pay, whether you are able to go the day or not!

Coach picking up at St Chad's Cathedral at 1.30pm promptly!

Vacancy for a Lay Chaplain - St Paul's School for Girls

Scale 7 £19,554 pro rata - 3 days per week part time, term time – Further Details from: Tel: 0121 454 0895

Headteacher: Dr D E Casserly.

enquiry@stpaulgl.bham.sch.uk

Closing date: Wednesday 26 June 2019 at noon

Interviews: Friday 28 June 2019

Cathedral Flowers –

We are now taking floral tribute requests. 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 they are dedicated to M & R Chang RIP**

LUNCHTIME SUPERVISOR - The

Governors of SS John and Monica School are seeking to appoint a Lunchtime Supervisor. **Part time: 5.50 hours per week, Grade 2 - £18,065 - £19,945 pro-rata.** This position is open to all suitable applicants. SS John and Monica is a one form entry Catholic primary school in the popular area of Moseley. We are looking for an enthusiastic and motivated person to join our hardworking lunchtime team, who are dedicated to creating calm, happy and purposeful lunchtimes through promotion of positive behaviour and play. This post is covered by Part 7 of the Immigration Act (2016) and therefore the ability to speak fluent and spoken English is an essential requirement for this role. Job description and application form can be downloaded from our website at www.stjonmon.bham.sch.uk Experience in Lunchtime Supervisory role will be an advantage.

The Ordination Season.

A time of Grace & Blessing for the whole Church. We are delighted to tell you that Priest Ordinations will take place here in St. Chad's Cathedral on **Saturday 20th July** at 12.00 noon by Archbishop Bernard.

Columbian Interreligious Dialogue Summer

School: 16th-18th July 2019. Further information from volunteer@columbans.co.uk or call 07847281190

Come to Father Hudson's Care's Summer Fete: On the green behind Sacred Heart & St Teresa's Catholic Church, Coleshill (B46 3EA), **12–3pm on Saturday 29 June.** Part-funded by the West Midlands Metro Mayor and the Community Fund, the event promises fun for all the family, with local stallholders, a barbecue, music, competitions, a football match, children's games, and much more.

Permanent Diaconate Ordinations – Sunday 14th July 2019. Archbishop Bernard Longley will ordain the Permanent Diaconates at St Chad's Cathedral at 3.00pm on 14th July.

The Basilican

The **Spring 2019 issue** of the Basilican is now out. Please collect a copy of this from the back of the Cathedral priced at £5.00.



In Operation

Our Appeal 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. How indebted we are! Thank you for the care and affection you show for our cathedral.

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 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.

St Chad's Cathedral - Heritage Open Days

Once again we are inviting people to come along for a guided tour of the Cathedral. See parts of the Cathedral which are rarely open to the public.

BOOKING ESSENTIAL. NO CHARGE

Friday 13th September: 10am - 12 noon

Sunday 15th September: 1.30pm – 3.30pm

Saturday 21st September: 1.00pm - 3.00pm

Maximum 40 people per tour. To book please contact Karla Lowes: 0121 230 6215

Email: cathedral.visits@rc-birmingham.org

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.

St Chad's Catholic Primary School, Hospital Street, Newtown, Birmingham, B19 3XD - The Governors of St Chad's wish to appoint an enthusiastic **Level 3 qualified Teaching Assistant** to work in Reception. 32.5 hours per week, term time only. St Chad's Catholic Primary School, Hospital Street, Newtown, Birmingham, B19 3XD

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.

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!'

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

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.

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

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 co-operation 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.

CCTV IS IN OPERATION 24/7 FOR YOUR SAFETY & SECURITY. PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE ANY PERSONAL PROPERTY UNATTENDED.



Please switch off mobile phones when in Church.



An Induction Loop System is provided. Please switch your hearing aid to the 'T' position.



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 25th July 2019 and Returns 3rd August 2019. Travel by coach.

4* Hotel Helgon in Lourdes. Further details can be obtained from:

Andrew Oldnall 07733226063 Or email: andrewsoldnall@gmail.com

Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine - 14th September

2019. £599.00 pp sharing. **Further details** - Contact Patricia on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or

email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com. Knock Pilgrimages is a member of the Travel Trust Association and is fully protected by ATOL T7613.

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.

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. For more information please contact David and Alexander Wynne at choraloutreach@rc-birmingham.org

Volunteers needed: Could it be you? 'The harvest is rich but the labourers are few'

Marriage Care is a Catholic organisation providing marriage preparation and relationship counselling services through 50 centres across England and Wales.

Our centre in Acocks Green is in need of **Marriage Preparation Course Facilitators** to present and facilitate marriage preparation courses to small groups of engaged couples. We provide all the training you need to fulfil the role and you will be volunteering with other like-minded people. We are also in need of a Head of Centre to lead and support our team of facilitators, counsellors and admin volunteers. For more information please visit: www.marriagecare.org.uk or email volunteer@marriagecare.org.uk

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

Pilgrimage to Rome 14th – 18th October 2019

Return flights from Birmingham - Rome

Further information can be obtained from:

Andrew Oldnall 07733226063

Or email: andrewsoldnall@gmail.com

Lourdes – Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Weekend Pilgrimage 6th – 9th December 2019

£245 per person sharing and £500 in a single room. Return flights Luton – Toulouse.

Further information can be obtained from:

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