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Solemnity of Pentecost

'Day for Prayer for the Church'

9th June 2019

Divine Office: Psalter week Solemnity of Pentecost
Year C. Psalter Week 2

- Entrance Antiphon** The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things understands what is said, alleluia.
- Responsorial Psalm** Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.
- Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!
- Communion Antiphon:** They were filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia.



Mass Times: 8th June – 16th June 2019

Sat 8	Easter Feria
10.00am	Johanna Kelly Int.
11.30am	Mass with the Permanent Diaconate
	Vigil for Solemnity of Pentecost
4.30pm	Catherine Dillon (Nee Wallis) Baptism of Rumbidzai, Anenyasha, and Tadisaishe NDONDO
Sun 9	Solemnity of Pentecost 'Day of Prayer for the Church'
9.00am	St Chad's School Mass of First Holy Communion
11.00am	Lena & Pat Walshe RIP
Mon 10	Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mother of the Church
12.15pm	Virginia Umeania RIP
Tue 11	St Barnabas
12.15pm	Gerald McEroy Int.
12.30pm	Mass in the Children's Hospital
Wed 12	Feria in Ordinary Time
12.15pm	Rev. Cyril Barlow
Thurs 13	Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ the Eternal High Priest
9.15am	St Chad's School Mass
12.15pm	Philip Clay Sp. Int.

Cathedral Flower Festival Opens **Friday 14th – Sunday 16th June**

Friday 14	Feria in Ordinary Time
12.15pm	Sally Egan
Sat 15	Feria in Ordinary Time
10.00am	Judy & Martin Sp. Int.
	Vigil for Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity
4.30pm	People of the Parish
Sun 16	Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity
9.00am	Anne Patricia Lowe RIP
11.00am	Harold Birkett RIP

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 Site Statistics:

26th May – 1st June 2019

Hours we were open 101.5

Liturgies & Meetings 90

Number of Visitors 2502

Second Collection. Next weekend there will be a second collection for the Day for Life.

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 and Ann Wassell (Redmond).

Lately Dead:

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

For those whose anniversaries occur about this time:

Frs.: Cyril Adams, Francis Broome, Joseph Lanny and Alphonsus Power.

Also: Mary Green, Anne Lowe, Mary Byrne, Sean Connor, Stephen Birch, Frank Molyneux, and Tommy Sheehan

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:

Monday 10th June: St Elizabeth's, Tamworth

Wednesday 11th June: Holy Cross, Walmley

Friday 12th June: St Brigid's, Northfield

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 will begin on Monday 10th June and 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, St Elizabeth's, Tamworth, Holy Cross, Walmley and St Brigid's, Northfield. Each school will have a guided tour of the Cathedral. This forms part of their Confirmation Preparation. A warm welcome is also extended to the people participating and visiting the Cathedral Association Flower festival. 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.

St Chad's Cathedral Association Flower Festival 14th – 16th June 2019 - If you are a flower arranger or know someone who is a flower arranger why not come and join us in June and help decorate this wonderful Cathedral. You do not have to be an expert just someone willing to have a go. For further details please contact Anne Symonds: 0121 249 1487 or email: annets103@hotmail.co.uk Please do come along and join us to make 2019 Flower Festival a great success.

RAFFLE TICKETS are for sale from the table at the back of the Cathedral or from reception at Cathedral House. All money and counterfoils to be returned to reception. **BOTTLES STALL** – Bottles are also being collected for the bottle stall at the flower festival. Bottles of all sorts would be most gratefully received. You can kindly hand them over to Reception at Cathedral House. **RAFFLE DRAW** - If you have any gifts that are surplus to requirement, we would be grateful to have them to be given as prizes for the raffle draw. You can kindly hand them over to Reception at Cathedral House.

Dowry Tour – Our Lady of Walsingham - The Slipper Chapel statue of Our Lady of Walsingham along with the Dowry Tour Exhibition will visit every English Catholic Diocese and Cathedral between 2018 -2020, preparing for the rededication of England as the Dowry of Mary.

**Visiting St Chad's Cathedral on:
Thursday 20th June – Saturday 22nd June 2019
There is a full itinerary displayed on the notice board.**

Oscott College presents a series of talks, introducing the life of John Henry Newman. **19th – 21st June 2019.** Further information from margaret.wilson@oscott.org

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 the flowers will be dedicated to: Lena & Pat Walshe RIP.**

A Weekend of Discovery - A Lifetime of Love - Saint Mary's On the Hill Wednesbury 29th-30th June 2019 Enrich your Marriage with a Non Residential Marriage Encounter Weekend Give yourselves and your relationship a treat! For further information check out our website: www.wwme.org.uk Or contact Phil & Rita Jackson TEL- 0121 244 7762 EMAIL- wackojacko456@hotmail.com

Mass of Thanksgiving for Bishop Robert Byrne - All are welcome at St Chad's Cathedral on Tuesday 18 June as we welcome back Bishop Byrne, now the Bishop of Hexham and Newcastle. Mass begins at 12noon. Pope Francis appointed Bishop Byrne as the 14th Bishop of the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle earlier this year. Bishop Byrne was ordained priest in 1985 and Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Birmingham on 13th May, 2014.

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.

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 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. 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: 01212306215

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

General Assistant (school office) - We are looking to appoint an exceptional, highly effective Clerical assistant who has high expectations and is keen to strengthen our established and successful office team. 25 hours per week, term time only. 8am until 1pm Monday - Friday

If you would like further information on either of the posts, please contact our Business Manager, Karen Robinson on 0121 464 6554.

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**

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!

Programme

12.00 noon - Procession

1.00pm - Hall open for refreshments

2.15 - 3.45pm Confessions

3.00pm - Public Rosary and Marian Hymns

4.00pm - Mass and Sacrament of the Sick -

Celebrant Archbishop Bernard Longley

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 Oldanall 07733226063 Or email: andrewsoldnall@gmail.com

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

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

Career in Teaching: If you, a friend or a family member is thinking about teaching as a career, then see what Bishop Challoner TSA has on offer. A PGCE/School Direct route in Primary or Secondary teaching only takes 1 year, and is open to graduates in a range of subjects. Contact them on 0121 441 6175 for a chat, or pop along for a free info session, bookable via their website www.bctsa.org. Inspire : Teach : Excel.

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.

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:

Andrew Oldnall 07733226063

Or email: andrewsoldnall@gmail.com

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.