



# Metropolitan Cathedral & Basilica of St Chad

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## Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

### 8<sup>th</sup> September 2019

#### 'Education Day'

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

**Entrance Antiphon**      You are just, O Lord, and your judgement is right; treat your servant in accord with your merciful love.

**Responsorial Psalm**      O Lord, you have been our refuge from one generation to the next.

**Gospel Acclamation:**      Alleluia, alleluia! I call you friends, says the Lord. Because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. Alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon:** Like the deer that yearns for running streams, so my soul is yearning for you, my God; my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.



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## Mass Times: 7<sup>th</sup> September – 15<sup>th</sup> September 2019

- Sat 7 Feria in Ordinary Time**  
10.00am Lily Costello  
**Vigil for Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
4.30pm John Jackson RIP
- Sun 8 Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time 'Education Day'**  
9.00am People of the Parish  
11.00am Kainat Saeed (*Thanksgiving*)
- Mon 9 Feria in Ordinary Time**  
12.15pm All the Sisters
- Tue 10 Feria in Ordinary Time**  
12.15pm Rhondda  
12.30pm Mass in the Children's Hospital
- Wed 11 Feria in Ordinary Time**  
12.15pm Fr Ryan Service Sp. Int.
- Thurs 12 Feria in Ordinary Time**  
12.15pm Pat Flanagan RIP
- Friday 13 St John Chrysostom**  
10.00am Heritage Tour  
12.15pm Maria Garofalo Sp. Int
- Sat 14 Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross**  
10.00am Vincent Cullen Sp. Int.  
**Vigil for Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
2.00pm Wedding: Amanda Tucker & James Wheller  
4.30pm Malcolm Ridge. Sick
- Sun 15 Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
9.00am Mick & Kath Farmer Sp. Int.  
11.00am People of the Parish  
1.30pm Heritage Tour

### **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.

**Pope Francis has established 1<sup>st</sup> September as the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation**, encouraging the Catholic community around the world to pray for our common home. The day is inspired by Pope Francis' landmark encyclical *Laudato Si'*, which calls on "every person living on this planet" to care for our shared Earth. He calls us all to celebrate this opportune moment to "reaffirm [our] personal vocation to be stewards of creation, to thank God for the wonderful handiwork which he has entrusted to our care, and to implore his help for the protection of creation, as well as his pardon for the sins committed against the world in which we live."

**Second Collection this week** is for **Catholic Education Service**. Next week there will be a second collection for Home Mission Day.

### **Cathedral Site Statistics:**

**25<sup>th</sup> August – 31<sup>st</sup> August 2019**

Hours we were open 96  
Liturgies & Meetings 90  
Number of Visitors 1889

### **Holy Father's Prayer Intention for September: Evangelization –**

**The Protection of the Oceans** - That politicians, scientists and economists work together to protect the world's seas and oceans.

### **Cathedral Prayer List**

**Those who are ill:** Tony Kavanaugh, 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:** Pat (Patricia) Flanagan, Ken Gamble, Patrick Bogan, Bridget Kennedy, Maura Minnock, Barbara Dounellan Joan McKendrick, Ena Coen and Gina McGuinness and Jane Conway.

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

Mgr. Thomas Fallon. Frs.: Arthur McCrystal, David Hutt and Guy Colman. **Also:** Frances Hill, John O'Brien, Joe Dineen, Mary O'Shea, Jimmy Mullen, Kate Shorthouse, Jamie Ferguson and Victims of 9/11.

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

**'Pause for Hope' - Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> September at 3pm here at St. Chad's** led by Archbishop Bernard Longley, Revd Canon Matt Thompson and Rev. Ian Howarth. In addition to those living with cancer, or struggling with the loss of a loved one, this is a one-hour ecumenical service for all whose lives have been changed by cancer. Health Care Professionals will be represented as well as our local Cancer Charities and Hospices. A reflection on living with cancer by Jane Goodyear and her husband, Kevin. All are welcome!

**Cathedral Organ -We are pleased to inform you that the organ restoration is now complete.** Due to some last minute unexpected repairs we incurred additional costs which means that thanks to the generosity of various benefactors and grants, less than £7,900 is still needed to pay for the restoration. 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](mailto:margaret.regan@rc-birmingham.org)

**Welcome:** In addition to our regular meetings, this week we welcome those involved in the Pause for Hope meeting. Welcome also to those attending the Heritage Tours. We extend a special welcome to the family and friends of Amanda and James who are to be married on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September. 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.**

**Faith Instruction for your Children:**

Please leave names and contact details with Sr. Therese.

**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 21<sup>st</sup>**

**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](mailto:cathedral.visits@rc-birmingham.org)

**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 6<sup>th</sup> October.**

**St Chad's Cathedral Choir** - The choir are on summer vacation and will return on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> September.

**Oscott College**, the diocesan seminary for the formation of our future priests, have begun their new academic year. They will be joining us for Sunday morning Mass at 11am for various weekends during the academic year. We look forward to welcoming them to the Cathedral. Please keep them in your prayers.

**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 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.

**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. Next weekend, the flowers will be dedicated to **Maude Mara RIP.**

**The Acts of the Apostles – Five evenings of reflections and discussion led by Columban Missionary Fr. Tom O'Reilly Thursdays 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> of September and 2<sup>nd</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> October 2019 AT:** St Anne's RC Church Meeting Room, 96 Bradford Street, Digbeth, B12 0OB. **Time:** 7.15pm – 8.45pm  
**Limited Spaces.** For further information and Registration contact Mauricio Silva – 07847281190 or [ird@columbians.co.uk](mailto:ird@columbians.co.uk)

**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.

**Ecumenical Vespers (Sung Evening Prayer of the Church)** in honour of the new **Saint John Henry Newman takes place on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October at 4.00pm.** We have invited the Anglican Bishops of Birmingham and Coventry who were both involved with us at the time of the Beatification in September 2010, along with the Anglican Bishops of Worcester, Lichfield and Oxford, the Lord Mayor, the Lord Lieutenant, as well as other ecumenical leaders, Inter-religious and civic guests. The choirs of St Chad's Cathedral and St Philip's Anglican Cathedral, Birmingham will participate in the liturgy.  
**All are welcome**

**FIRST FRIDAYS OF THE MONTH:**

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

### 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!'

### 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.

**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.

**Kenelm Youth Trust Winter Ball** – celebrating the work of the Kenelm Youth Trust. Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2019, 7pm – 1am at The Belfrey, Sutton Coldfield. **For more information and to book please contact:**

[Karen.goodley@kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk](mailto:Karen.goodley@kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk)

**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)

**Father Hudson's Care** On 21-22 September the second collection will be for Father Hudson's Care to support their mission of supporting vulnerable people across the Archdiocese of Birmingham. Father Hudson's reaches out to people of all ages who need support at times of adversity. Please give generously to this worthy cause.

**The CCTV System operates 24 hours a day. This is in place for the safety of people, protection of property and crime prevention.**

**Inquiries: 0121 230 6216 / 0121 230 6201**

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**Volunteers needed: Could it be you?** 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. For more information please visit: [www.marriagecare.org.uk](http://www.marriagecare.org.uk) or email [volunteer@marriagecare.org.uk](mailto:volunteer@marriagecare.org.uk)

The **Birmingham Faith Leaders' Group** invites you to attend this year's **Annual Peace Service** on

**Thursday 12th September at 12.45pm at St Thomas' Peace Garden, off Bath Row, B15 1LZ**

Please note the slightly later start time this year. As you see, this year we plan to have the participation of a choir of talented Birmingham youngsters who have taken part in the 'Start Now' Programme run by the Focolare Movement. We know this Service is greatly valued by those who attend each year, as an opportunity to witness for the desire for peace within our city and around the world. We look forward to welcoming you on 12th September. Please see noticeboard for further details.

### 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.

### 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.

### 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)

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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**

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

The choir are now on summer break and will resume rehearsals on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September. For further information please contact David and Alexander Wynne at [choraloutreach@rc-birmingham.org](mailto:choraloutreach@rc-birmingham.org)

**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.

**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.

### **Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine**

14<sup>th</sup> September 2019. £599.00 pp sharing. **Further details** - Contact Patricia on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or

email [knockpilgrimages@gmail.com](mailto:knockpilgrimages@gmail.com). Knock

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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.

Further information can be obtained from:

Andrew Oldnall 07733226063

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

### **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)