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Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

10th November 2019

'Remembrance Sunday'



Divine Office: Psalter week Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year C. Psalter Week 4

- Entrance Antiphon** Let my prayer come into your presence. Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.
- Responsorial Psalm** I shall be filled, when I awake, with the sight of your glory, O Lord.
- Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! Stay awake, praying at all times for the strength to stand with confidence before the Son of man. Alleluia!
- Communion Antiphon:** The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall not want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose, near restful waters he leads me.



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Mass Times: 9th November – 17th November 2019

Sat 9 Feast of the dedication of the Lateran Basilica

10.00am Deceased members of the Birmingham Catholic Rambling Club
12.00noon Knights of St Columba Mass for Deceased Brothers

Vigil for Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

4.30pm Fulgencio Dionela RIP

‘Remembrance Sunday’

Sun 10 Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

9.00am People of the Parish
11.00am Mai Kilmaitin RIP

Mon 11 St Martin of Tours

‘Armistice Day’ 

A two minute silence will be observed at the beginning of Mass

12.15pm All Souls

Tue 12 St Josaphat

12.15pm Rits McAuley Sp. Int.
12.30pm Mass in the Children’s Hospital

Wed 13 Feria in Ordinary Time

12.15pm Margaret Docherty RIP

Thurs 14 Feria in Ordinary Time

12.15pm Frank Edwards

Friday 15 Feria in Ordinary Time

12.15pm Mary Ann Wallis
Followed by Exposition until 5pm

Sat 16 Feria in Ordinary Time

10.00am Rennie Costello

Vigil for Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

4.30pm People of the Parish

Sun 17 Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

9.00am Maureen Birkman & Family Sp. Int.
11.00am Jim Doody RIP

The 11.00am Mass on Remembrance Sunday begins at the War Memorial with The Royal British Legion Act of Dedication & Silence.

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 1st December.**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place at St Chad’s Cathedral each Friday following the Mass at 12.15pm until 5.00pm.

Cathedral Collections Last Week

**Main £333.40 Restoration Fund £1,049.79 (this including Catenian Mass £513.90)
Gift Aid £213.00**

Cathedral Site Statistics:

27th – 2nd November 2019

Hours we were open	102.5
Liturgies & Meetings	114
Number of Visitors	3223

Holy Father’s Prayer Intention for November: Universal –

That a spirit of dialogue, encounter and reconciliation emerges in the Near East, where diverse religious communities share their lives together.

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

Cathedral Prayer List

Lately Dead: Bishop Brian Noble - Emeritus Bishop of Shrewsbury, Fr Jerome Bertram Cong. Orat., Catherine Coulson, Sean Regan, Susan Picano, Joyce Clarke, Sheila Ashe and Kathleen Redmond.

For those whose anniversaries occur about this time: Frs.: John Drinkwater, Cyril Duck, Michael O’Keefe, Laurence Smith, Thomas O’Connor, William Boyle, Joseph Ryan, James O’Sullivan and Raymond Jones. Deacon John Burton. **Also:** Colin Marshall, Curnal Molan Duncan, aria Kameni, Alice Treacy, Teresa Curtain, The victims of the Hagley Mini Bus crash: Teacher - Eleanor Fry, pupils - Clare Fitzgerald, Anna Mansell, Louise Gunn, James Hickman, Ruth Clark, Nicola Misiolek, Fiona Cook, Richard Pagett, Adele Howell, Charlotte Bligh, Charlene O’Dowd and Katie Murray. **Eternal Rest grant unto them O, Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. Amen.**

Seeking Meaning from the Catholic Faith -

Are you – or somebody you know – interested in becoming a Catholic? We are looking to set up an opportunity to help people find this meaning in life, in conjunction with our neighbouring parish of St Catherine’s, Bristol Street. We plan to start on **Thursday 7th November 7.30pm at St Catherine’s**. If you are interested, please contact Fr Tim at dean@rc-birmingham.org

Red Mission Boxes – Please return your boxes to Sr Therese for counting as soon as possible.

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

Welcome:

In addition to our regular meetings, this week we welcome St James' Rednal, and St Chad's School, Birmingham who join us for a 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.

The Month of Holy Souls (November): is traditionally the month when we pray with added devotion for all the faithful departed. Praying for our dead is an act of charity, returning love for love, as we ask God to 'grant them eternal rest and for perpetual light to shine upon them'. In humility, this is what they would ask of us, that by God's grace they may be purged of sin and imperfection and come to share in the fullness of Christ's Resurrection. In every Mass we are particularly close to our loved ones who have died as their dying is united to the death of Christ in the one sacrifice to God the Father. Our Holy Souls Boxes will remain on the steps of the sanctuary throughout November containing the names of our beloved dead. Envelopes are provided if you would like to include the names of your own relatives and friends. Some people like to include a Mass offering as well; and Masses are offered throughout the year for the Holy Souls.

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.

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.

Kenelm Youth Trust Winter Ball – celebrating the work of the Kenelm Youth Trust. Saturday 16th November 2019, 7pm – 1am at The Belfrey, Sutton Coldfield. **For more information and to book please contact:**
Karen.goodley@kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk

FIRST FRIDAYS OF THE MONTH: An additional Mass will take place at **7.45am in the Crypt** on the First Friday of each month.

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 are dedicated to Desie & Beryl Rodrigues.** Next weekend the flowers are dedicated to Adrian Clissitt.

Knights of St Columba Mass for Deceased Brothers will be celebrated by Mgr. Timothy Menezes on Saturday **9th November at 12.00 noon.**

St. Chad's Cathedral Carol Service – **5.00pm on Sunday 22nd December 2019** – 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.**

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.

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!'

Scaffolding - Work on replacing 2 of the canopies and the finial above the west doors (outside the front entrance) of the Cathedral have been continuing since early August. Most of the work relating to stone carving are being done off site. Scaffolding has been erected to facilitate the completion of these works. While this could cause some inconvenience, access through these doors will be maintained throughout the works. These works will be completed by 15th November.


Diocesan e-newsletter - Please subscribe via the website <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/> Remember to share with anyone you think will benefit, and encourage them to subscribe too. If you have any news, events or information you'd like to share this way please email it to communications@rc-birmingham.org marked 'For Newsletter'.

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

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 with Sr. Therese.

The Sisters of Charity of St. Paul the Apostle have an opportunity for a part-time Domestic Assistant. Please see noticeboard for details.

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 
<https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/privacy-policy>

Vigil Praise – St. Mary's College, Oscott – 8.00pm – 9.30pm November 9th & December 7th. All welcome to attend a night of prayer, praise and adoration. Confessions available throughout the night.

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


The new issue of the **Basilican Magazine** is now on sale at the back of the Cathedral. It contains some very interesting articles the first of which is by Archbishop Bernard Longley. There are also articles by two of the youth who spoke in the Cathedral about their experiences at the World Youth Day in Panama earlier this year, two historical pieces and coverage of this year's flower festival. The cost of the Magazine is £5, which all goes towards supporting the Cathedral, and there is a box on the back wall for your money.


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.

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.

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.

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**

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.

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.thepuginsociety.co.uk

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 or email volunteer@marriagecare.org.uk

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