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Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4th July 2021

Divine Office: Psalter Week 2 Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

- Entrance Antiphon** Your merciful love, O God, we have received in the midst of your temple. Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with saving justice.
- Responsorial Psalm** Our eyes are on the Lord till he shows us his mercy.
- Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! The Word was made flesh and lived among us; to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God. Alleluia!
- Communion Antiphon:** Taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed the man who seeks refuge in him.



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We are pleased to inform you all Masses at the Cathedral will be live streamed. Please visit our website for details.

All Ceremonies are open to the public, unless otherwise stated. Please check the Cathedral website homepage for changes and if in doubt refresh the page to see most up to date notices.

Please feel free to come to Mass / Confessions if you can and know that we are praying for you and with you, if you can't.

Mass Times: 3rd July – 11th July 2021

Sat 3	Feast of St Thomas, Apostle
10.00am	Mass with Baptism of Evelyn Sorroll
	Vigil for Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
4.30pm	Phil Donnellan RIP
Sun 4	Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
9.30am	People of the Parish
11.30am	Remembering Srebrenica Memorial
3.00pm	Ordinations to the Permanent Diaconate (Live stream only)
Mon 5	Feria in Ordinary Time
12.15pm	Intentions of baby Sebastian
Tue 6	Feria in Ordinary Time
12.15pm	Mary Ann Wallis
Wed 7	Feria in Ordinary Time
12.15pm	Thomas, Mary & Liam Flaherty RIP
Thurs 8	Feria in Ordinary Time
9.30am	Live Stream School Mass
12.15pm	Canon Giles Goward RIP
Friday 9	Feria in Ordinary Time
12.15pm	Jacob Billington RIP
Sat 10	Feria in Ordinary Time
10.00am	Bridget Manuel RIP
	Vigil for Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
4.30pm	Pauline Bridgewater RIP
Sun 11	Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
9.30am	People of the Parish
11.30am	Breda Talty RIP

Something Greater: Our faith has been so important to us over the last year and now we want to share that with others so they can find Something Greater in Jesus Christ than their experiences of life. Help our parish extend a hand of friendship and welcome people to come to church. We would like to extend a word of welcome to all of our parishioners and online friends to an online gathering on **Monday 19th July at 7pm**. This is a direct response to Archbishop Bernard's Pastoral Letter. Please save the date and time. EVERYBODY is most welcome and encouraged to take part. As people start to come to church, make every person feel welcome.

Holy Father's Prayer Intention for July:

Social Friendship - We pray that, in social, economic and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship.

Cathedral Prayers Lists

Recently Deceased: Harry Boyd, Milroy Mendis, Janet Scott, Hyacinth Enas De Valliere, Philip Donnellan, Gerry Hinks, Bridget Manuel as well as all victims of COVID around the world.

Those who are ill: We pray for Frances Crockett, Bobby (Bhupinder) Bansal, Ray Norris and our parishioners, family and friends who are sick.

For those whose anniversaries occur about this time: Mgr. Louis McRaye. Frs.: Michael Cullinan, Henry Hayward, Leonard Joppe, William Rooney, Leo Armishaw, Joseph Pires, Michael Gaffney, Bernard Maddox. Deacon Anthony Bateman. Also: Michael Moyes, Mrs O'Neill, Bernard Tehan, James Malynn, Patrick Forde, Matthew Ashe, Matthew O'Donnell Jnr, Mary Ann Wallis & Peter Adcock.

Second Collection Sunday 11th July:

Next Sunday, there will be a second collection for Apostleship of the Sea.

Weekend Mass Times from this weekend – is Saturday Masses at 10.00am and 4.30pm (Vigil for Sunday), **Sunday Masses** at the new times of **9.30am and 11.30am.**

The God Who Speaks - Please try to look at next weekend's readings in the coming week:

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

Amos 7:12-15, Psalm 84;

Ephesians 1:3-14; Mark 6:7-13

www.godwhospeaks.uk

The Birmingham Clean Air Zone was due to come into force on 1st June but the date has now been revised and will now come into force on **Monday 14th June 2021** which will affect parishioners, staff and volunteers who travel to the Cathedral by car. If you own a non-compliant vehicle, you will be subject to a daily charge of £8 to enter the zone. Information relating to the changes can be found by visiting www.brumbreathes.co.uk This includes the facility to check if your vehicle is exempt from the charge to enter the zone. It also includes the option to apply for a temporary exemption if it applies, but the deadline for this is Monday 10th May.

THIS CATHEDRAL LIVE STREAMS MASS AND

OTHER EVENTS 

Ordinations to the Permanent Diaconate: Sunday 4th July at 3pm in the Cathedral. (Livestream only). We keep the candidates and their families in our prayers.

A Virtual Tour of St Chad's Cathedral – At a time when so many people are exploring the new world of online information, we are delighted to say that St Chad's will now be open to the world well beyond the Cathedral. At the end, the week in which we celebrated our patron, St Chad, we have launched a 360-degree tour of the Cathedral which can be navigated on mobile devices and computer. It will be a resource for many of our schools and as well as for individuals who wish to know more about the beauty of our Cathedral Church. Hopefully, as lockdown eases, it will be an invitation for more and more people to visit the Cathedral and to find here something of the peace and glimpse of heaven that we know and love. You will all know friends and relatives in Birmingham who have never visited our beautiful Cathedral. Why not point them to the Virtual Tour on the homepage of the Cathedral website?


Thursday Live Organ Recital - Livestream only for now on the 1st Thursday of the month. See the Cathedral website for the YouTube link. Available any time as are the recitals from previous months – now we have the time!

St. Paul's Book Shop is now open on Monday – Saturday from 9.00am – 4.00pm. We are pleased to inform you they continue to handle web and mail order requests/business. Email: Birmingham@stpauls.org.uk

Churches Climate Relay
You might already be aware of the Churches Climate Relay which is a pilgrimage for Climate Justice, from the G7 summit in Cornwall in June, to the COP26 summit in Glasgow in November. The pilgrimage is currently in Exeter. The pilgrimage will be coming to Birmingham, arriving from Solihull on Monday 23rd August, stopping for three days (24.25.26th August), then departing towards Sutton Coldfield on 27th August. Various events will be happening during the stop. More details to follow.

You can find out more here: <https://www.yccn.uk/>

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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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Deepening your love for God's Word Lectio Divina is a form of prayer that is centred on a reflective reading of Scripture with prayer and sharing. If you would like to participate in a recently established group here in Birmingham, please contact the Lectio group – 'The Fellowship of St Jerome' at: birminghamlectiodivina@gmail.com for further details of current virtual meetings.


Year of St Joseph – This year has been designated as a special year of prayer to St Joseph. Husband of Mary and Guardian of Jesus, St Joseph is not always heralded as a high profile character in Scripture or in the Church's Life. However, you can find out how rich a character St Joseph is by reading this short but beautiful letter of Pope Francis called 'With a Father's Heart'. [Apostolic Letter Patris Corde of the Holy Father Francis on the 150th Anniversary of the proclamation of Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church \(8 December 2020\) | Francis \(vatican.va\)](https://www.vatican.va/holy_father/francis/letters/other/letters_apostolic/20191208/150th-anniversary-saint-joseph-universal-church-8-december-2020_en.html). Did you know, for example, that despite his important role, there is not a single word attributed to Joseph in the Scriptures? Do you realise that God speaks to him most of all in dreams? And do you know that apart from Mary, the Mother of Jesus, the next most written about person in Church Teaching through the centuries is St Joseph? So it is timely that as St Joseph is now part of the Eucharistic Prayer at every Mass, and as we contemplate the importance of fathers, we consider him.

Time To Reflect – The **July Cathedral Corner** on our website reflects on the importance of the seven sacraments in our life of faith, following the celebration of the sacraments of initiation for Cathedral parishioners recently. **The July Scripture booklet is now available online.** *The Sower Magazine* - The NEW edition of the Diocesan Magazine is available. Paper copies available or online. Please visit: <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/diocesan-magazine> The Editors welcome your feedback.

Please switch off mobile phones when in Church.



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



The programme for **public Masses (in normal times)** is:

Monday to Friday 12.15pm

Saturday 10am &

4.30pm (Vigil Mass of Sunday, effective 2nd July)

Sunday 9.30am & 11.30am (Effective 3rd July)

The Cathedral will be open on weekdays from 11.30am and close soon after Mass at 12.15pm
(Sacrament of Reconciliation will also be available from 11.30am – 12noon.)

From the first weekend of July 2021, the Cathedral weekend Masses will be as follows:

Saturday 4.30pm; Sunday 9.30am and 11.30am. Please note these changes.

The Cathedral will be open half an hour before each weekend Mass and will close soon after the conclusion of Mass.

Holy Communion is currently given on the hand. For Communion on the tongue, please remain in your place after Mass and let our stewards know, as they direct people out of the Cathedral, that you wish to remain to receive Holy Communion. It will be brought to you in your place.

We shall now say ‘The Body of Christ’ to you at your place and you may respond ‘Amen’

The Bishops of England and Wales wish to make it clear that there remains no obligation for your attendance at Mass on Sunday. Therefore, you are most welcome at Mass on any day of the week.

We shall not operate any booking system. Please come to Mass if you wish to and feel safe to. We apologise in advance if you come to the Cathedral and we have already reached capacity. However, we hope that the number of Masses across the week will enable anybody who wishes to come, to be present at least once a week as everybody who wishes can hope to make a safe return to the celebration of Mass.

WE HAVE BEEN ADVISED IT IS COMPULSORY FOR ALL THOSE COMING IN TO THE CATHEDRAL TO WEAR SOME FORM OF FACE COVERING WHICH YOU BRING YOURSELF.

At present, we must inform you that the following conditions remain in place at the Cathedral:

No toilet facilities

No lighting of votive candles

No distribution of Holy Water at doors or for home

No gathering for conversation before or after Mass

You are asked to cooperate fully with the staff and stewards who will show you to a designated seat in the Cathedral.

The capacity for seating in this new arrangement in the Cathedral is **50 individual seats**.

The safety of those who come as well as the safety of our staff is our highest priority at this time.

Please do not come to the Cathedral if you present any symptoms of the coronavirus or are living in a house with anybody who presents symptoms.

Every person entering the Cathedral is asked to take personal responsibility for respecting social distancing and the wellbeing of others as well as themselves. Please cooperate with the test & trace procedures when coming to the Cathedral. **NHS Test and Trace** is a key part of the country’s ongoing COVID-19 response. If we can rapidly detect people who have recently come into close contact with a new COVID-19 case, we can take swift action to minimise transmission of the virus. **The NHS COVID-19 app** has a feature that allows users to quickly and easily ‘check in’ to your venue by scanning the code. The information stays on the user’s phone. In England, you do not have to ask people who choose to ‘check in’ using the official NHS QR code to provide their contact details. If there is an outbreak associated with a venue, a message will be sent to the relevant app users with the necessary public health advice. By maintaining records of staff, customers and visitors, and displaying an official NHS QR poster, you will help NHS Test and Trace to identify and notify people who may have been exposed to the virus. This will help to avoid the reintroduction of lockdown measures and support the country to return to, and maintain, a more normal way of life. You can read further information on [how NHS Test and Trace works](#).

For any enquiries about any of the above information, please contact:

dean.stchadscathedral@rcaob.org.uk

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May God bless you.

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Sacred Space - <https://sacredspace.ie/>

God who speaks UK- <https://thegodwhospeaks.uk>

CAFOD launched its coronavirus emergency appeal

on 30 April 2020. The effects of coronavirus on developing countries where CAFOD works are likely to be devastating. Families without enough to eat and without access to clean water and healthcare are particularly vulnerable to coronavirus. The poorest and most marginalised communities will be pushed further into poverty. Your prayers and gifts are needed now more than ever to help protect the lives of those in poor communities. You can donate as individuals at cafod.org.uk/coronavirusappeal or as a parish community via your own parish coronavirus appeal.

Diocesan e-newsletter – Please subscribe via the website <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/>

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Diocesan Ministry for Young People – For details of all that is happening for young people in our Archdiocese, please visit: www.kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk

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Fr Hudson's Care – the Social Care agency of the Archdiocese of Birmingham. [Fundraising | Father Hudson's Care](#). Are you familiar with the breadth of social care projects fulfilling the Church's Mission for needs of all ages across the scope of our Archdiocese? See how you get more involved, read more about the projects and find ways of living out your faith as a witness to Christ the servant.

Tabor House – An all the year round place of welcome and accommodation for homeless people in the centre of Birmingham. Since its opening 3 years ago, much of the support given by volunteers has come from the Catholic parishes of Birmingham. If you feel able to give some of your time to this worthy cause, please contact: sharonfear@fatherhudsons.org.uk

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What are the sources of informing your faith and knowledge of the Church in the Modern World?

Amoris Laetitia (The Joy of Love) Year of the Family – announced by Pope Francis.

Pope Francis has asked that 2021 until the next World Meeting of Families to be held in Rome in June 2022, focus on the theme of Family Life, as outlined in his teaching document of 5 years ago, The Joy of Love. Have you ever read any of the document? Might you wish to attend the World Meeting of Families in Rome in 2022? A prayer has been written for the Meeting. You can see it at: www.vaticannews.va

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New Ways of Giving: We are grateful for the donations that you have made during the time of lockdown. We also acknowledge that these have been times of uncertainty and hardship for some. We have introduced a **card payment machine** at the back of the Cathedral and in Cathedral House reception.

If you wish, you may also set up a standing order. If you would like more details about how to set up a **Standing Order** in place of the weekly collection, please email pt.sthadscathedral@rcaob.org.uk

We will regularly publish some of the key statistics to keep you all informed, but please do contact Margaret in the finance office if you have any questions or speak to Fr Tim.

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A message to all of our Parishioners and Friends

Although we are still not in a position to welcome events and meetings at the Cathedral until the safety of participants can be better gauged, you are remembered daily in prayer at the Cathedral.

A New Lectionary (Readings for the Celebration of Mass) - The Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales has announced that there is to be a new Lectionary for the celebration of Mass. The process of revision of the Church's Liturgical books is one that acknowledges the changes of language that occur over a period of time and follows the Revision of the Missal and the texts of the Mass some 10 years ago.

Please find out more about this process at: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/new-lectionary-for-england-and-wales/>

Marriage Care - "The earth is filled with harmony and trust when the alliance between man and woman is lived well." Pope Francis. At Marriage Care we believe that men and women from all walks of life catch a glimpse of something beautiful, hopeful and divine, in the possibilities of marriage and family life. It is a place where the Lord can strengthen the couple's lives. Our marriage preparation and support service enable couples to nurture faithful and fruitful marriages that last, as we draw on Catholic teaching and contemporary research to help couples focus on the quality of their relationship with each other. Our latest resource, Preparing Together Anywhere, is facilitated by two trained volunteers via webcam. Groups of up to 7 engaged couples attend three 90-minute sessions over a period of 3 weeks, with additional resources to enable couples to reflect more deeply in between the sessions on the commitment being entered into. Wedding plans may be on hold for some time, but couples need not put their preparation for marriage on hold. Through our relationship counselling service (now available via webcam), we accompany, with compassion and practical wisdom, couples who find themselves in need of support on their journey. Because of the Coronavirus pandemic, we know that increases in family stress and the impending threat of relationship breakdown will plunge many more into financial difficulties. We are unique in asking couples who come to us for counselling only to pay what they can afford, reflecting our commitment to support those most in need.

Please encourage couples to connect with us today at www.marriagecare.org.uk

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