



# Metropolitan Cathedral & Basilica of St Chad

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## *Transferred Solemnity of All Saints*

### 31<sup>st</sup> October 2021

### 'All Saints Day'

**Divine Office: Psalter Week 1 Solemnity of All Saints (Year B)**

**Entrance Antiphon** Let us all rejoice in the Lord, as we celebrate the feast day in honour of all the Saints, at whose festival the Angels rejoice and praise the Son of God.

**Responsorial Psalm** Such are the men who seek your face. O Lord.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! Come to me, all you who are overburdened, and I will give you rest, says the Lord. Alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon:** Blessed are the clean of heart, for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God. Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.



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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.**

**ALL CURRENT COVID CONDITIONS REMAIN.**

**Mass Times: 30<sup>th</sup> October – 7<sup>th</sup> November 2021**

**Sat 30 Feria in Ordinary Time**

NO 10am MASS TODAY

12.00noon Baptism - Kaitlyn Bree D'Souza

**Vigil for Solemnity of All Saints (B)**

4.30pm People of the Parish

**Sun 31 (Transferred) Solemnity of All Saints**

**'All Saints Day'**

9.30am Maureen Rushe RIP

11.30am Violet & Mona Buckingham & Janet Rossiter RIP

*Baptism of Lyra Eva Wynne During 11.30am Mass*

**Mon 1 Feria in Ordinary Time (ie. Not All Saints)**

12.15pm Mary Ann Wallis RIP

**Tue 2 Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed**

12.15pm Holy Souls

**Wed 3 Feria in Ordinary Time**

12.15pm Michael O'Driscoll RIP

**Thurs 4 Memorial of St Charles Borromeo**

12.15pm Thomas, Mary & Liam Flaherty RIP

**Friday 5 Feria in Ordinary Time**

12.15pm Michael Drugan

**Sat 6 Feria in Ordinary Time**

**NO 10.00AM Mass**

12 noon *Catenian Requiem Mass (Limited numbers)*

**Vigil for Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)**

4.30pm Christian Jude Le Blanc RIP

**Sun 7 Thirty- Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9.30am People of the Parish

11.30am For those who died during the Pandemic  
*Celebrant Archbishop Bernard Longley*

**The Birmingham Clean Air Zone** came into force on **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2021** which will affect parishioners, staff and volunteers who travel to the Cathedral by car. Please check whether you need to pay this charge: [www.brumbreathes.co.uk](http://www.brumbreathes.co.uk)

**End of British Summer Time: The clocks go back one hour on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> October at 2 in the morning. #FallBack**

**Second Collection:** Next weekend for the Johnson Fund for retired priests of the Archdiocese of B'ham.

**THIS CATHEDRAL LIVE STREAMS MASS**

**AND OTHER EVENTS** 

**Holy Father's Prayer Intention for November: Universal Intention: – People Who Suffer From Depression**

We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

**Cathedral Prayers Lists**

**Recently Deceased:** Sir David Amess MP, Kevin Bissell, Janet Scott, Jadwiga Petryk, & Mary Withers as well as all victims of COVID and conflict and climate related disasters around the world.

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

**For those whose anniversaries occur about this time:** Bishop John Barrett. Mgr: Bertrum Gould. Canons: Eugene O'Sullivan, John Redford & Patrick Smith. Frs.: James Faulconer-Morgan, Henry Taylor, Louis Moore, James Curtin, Aengus Donlan, James Bromfield, & John Brisland Deacon Paul Grosvenor. Also: James Madden, Peter Murphy, Anne Mooney, Harry Thorpe, Rosie Bartle, Morgan Hehir, John Walsh, Joe Farley, Jean Shakespeare, K.A.D Samarasinghe, Christian Jude Le Blanc, Brian May, Brendan Wall & Pat Campbell.

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

**Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**1 Kings 17:10-16; Psalm 145;**

**Hebrews 9:24-28; Mark 12:38-44 (12:41-44)**

[www.godwhospeaks.uk](http://www.godwhospeaks.uk)

**School Visits:** On Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov we welcome St George's, Worcester; Fri 5<sup>th</sup> Nov, St Mary & St Benedict, Coventry. They join us for a tour of the Cathedral, which forms part of their Confirmation preparation. **The livestream will be off until 12 noon on these days.**

**St Chad's Catholic Primary School** – Our parish primary school has become a new member school of the St Teresa of Calcutta Multi Academy of Schools which also comprises: St Joseph's, Nechells, Holy Souls, Acocks Green, Holy Rosary, Saltley and the Secondary Schools: Holy Trinity, Small Heath and Archbishop Ilsley, Acocks Green.

[www.saintteresaofcalcutta.org.uk](http://www.saintteresaofcalcutta.org.uk)

The new edition of the Cathedral's **Basilican Magazine** is now on sale 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. It is on sale in St Paul's Bookshop or please contact Anne Symonds at [annets103@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:annets103@hotmail.co.uk) who can arrange for a copy to be sent to you by post.

**Responding to Archbishop Bernard's vision for the Archdiocese - [Diocesan Vision, Unfolding God's Plan | Birmingham Diocesan Trust \(birminghamdiocese.org.uk\)](#).**

The overall themes of the Diocesan Plan are: Co-responsibility in the life of the Church and the place of families and young people.

Then there are themes: Evangelisation (proclaiming the Good News), Formation (growing in our life of faith), Worship and Sacramental Life (public prayer and its place in our life of faith) and Charity and Social Outreach (being heralds of the Good News to the Poor).

**How are you being called to serve the Lord?**

**Diocesan Vision Prayer –**

Spirit of God,  
descend on me this day.  
Grant me the Spirit of joy, to lift me,  
the Spirit of hope to inspire me,  
the Spirit of love to surround me and  
the Spirit of truth to enlighten my path.

Holy Spirit,  
I pray for a new outpouring of your grace,  
so that I may grow in worship of your name  
in love of you in my prayer  
and in my actions towards others.

Come Holy Spirit into my life to guide me.  
Strengthen and defend me,  
so that I may be drawn ever closer to you.  
Help me this day and always  
to be a channel of grace  
in all I say and do  
and invite others into relationship with you.  
Amen

**CAFOD – ‘COP26’ Climate Talks: 1-12 November 2021; Glasgow** Let us urge the Prime Minister to make sure communities hardest hit by the climate emergency are listened to at COP26. Sign our petition at: [www.cafod.org.uk/reclaim](http://www.cafod.org.uk/reclaim)  
You can also donate to the climate crisis appeal at: [www.cafod.org.uk/climatecrisis](http://www.cafod.org.uk/climatecrisis)

**Eternal Wall of Answered Prayer –** Have you managed to have a look at the website and have you even been able to send in an account of an Answer to Prayer that you or somebody close to you has known at any time? There has been a major fundraising campaign but it is just the idea of recalling God's goodness in our lives and sharing that Good News that is a motivation for us to be involved. [www.thewall.org.uk](http://www.thewall.org.uk)

**Saturday 10.00am Mass –** Please note there will be **NO** Saturday 10am Mass on: **November 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>.**

**Diocesan Ministry for Young People –** For details of all that is happening for young people in our Archdiocese, please visit: [www.kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk](http://www.kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk)

**Welcome –** During the course of the year, we welcome seminarians from St Mary's College, Oscott, to be part of our parish life. Please pray each day for vocations to the priesthood from among our own families, our schools and our parishes. Pray for vocations from among all of the ethnic communities here. [www.vocations.org.uk](http://www.vocations.org.uk)

**Lourdes Group HCPT Group 712** is our local youth service group which supports the disabled and disadvantaged children's groups with the HCPT pilgrimage to Lourdes each Easter. We will fly to France on Easter Sunday 17th April, returning on Saturday 23rd April. Throughout the week we will support children's groups from the Midlands by marshalling processions, providing music and games for the children, and assisting experienced group helpers in caring for and entertaining the children who are the focus of the pilgrimage. Young people aged 16 and above who would be interested in joining the group for Easter 2022 should email Deacon Tim from the parish of Our Lady of Lourdes, Yardley Wood: [group712@hcpt.org.uk](mailto:group712@hcpt.org.uk). We will assist with fundraising and bursary grants to support you in raising the fare of £657. See also [www.hcpt.org.uk](http://www.hcpt.org.uk).

**Time To Reflect –** The **October Cathedral Corner** on our website is about an understanding of what it is for all baptized Christians to walk together. It is a term called *Synodality* and it is close to Pope Francis' heart. Please take the time to read and understand more about it.

**Scripture and Liturgy Booklet –** The booklet for October is also now available on our website. The Word of God is at the heart of the life of faith.

**St Chad's Sanctuary –** our parish charity. When you have read the weekly newsletter for St Chad's Sanctuary, you are most welcome to bring tins or packets of non-perishable food items with you to Mass and we shall pass them on. If you feel able to support the work of St Chad's Sanctuary financially, please visit the website where all details can be found: [www.stchadssanctuary.com](http://www.stchadssanctuary.com). Donations for the Sanctuary can be given in here at the Cathedral at any time and will be passed on. Current need: Empty **500ml** plastic bottles. Thank you to those who have supported recently. Click on the Sanctuary button on our Cathedral website homepage for the weekly newsletter. We have recently made a donation of £1000 for urgent needs of new clothing, from your contributions to the needs of the poor. Thank you.

**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**



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)

**Sunday** 9.30am & 11.30am

The Cathedral will be open on weekdays from 11.00am and close at 2.00pm (Sacrament of Reconciliation will also be available from 11.30am – 12noon.)

*Masses will be as follows:*

*Saturday 10.00am & 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 – Due to the prevailing risk, the norm for receiving Communion remains on the hand. For those who wish to receive Communion on the tongue, please come to the altar when the rest of the congregation has received communion, as the Minister of Holy Communion will need to sanitise his/her hands after every person receiving on the tongue.**

**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.

**FOR THE PURPOSES OF SAFETY FOR ALL CONCERNED WE CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN THAT ALL THOSE COMING IN TO THE CATHEDRAL MUST WEAR SOME FORM OF FACE COVERING WHICH YOU BRING YOURSELF AND MAINTAIN SOCIAL DISTANCING DESPITE THE CHANGES ANNOUNCED BY THE GOVERNMENT.**

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

**Toilet facilities – please speak to a Steward who will direct you to the toilets in the Reception area and return with you to the Cathedral.**

**No distribution of Holy Water at doors or for home**

**No gathering for conversation before or after Mass**

**Mass Cards – During our opening hours the Stewards will assist with the signing of Mass cards in the Cathedral.**

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:

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May God bless you.