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## Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 'World Day for Grandparents & Elderly' 24<sup>th</sup> July 2022

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

Divine Office: Psalter Week 1; Weekday Readings Cycle 2

- Entrance Antiphon** God is in his holy place, God who unites those who dwell in his house; he himself gives might and strength to his people.
- Responsorial Psalm** On the day I called, you answered me, O Lord.
- 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:** Bless the Lord, O my soul, and never forget all his benefits.



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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. SOME COVID CONDITIONS REMAIN.**

**Mass Times: 23<sup>rd</sup> July – 31<sup>st</sup> July 2022**

<b>Sat 23</b>	<b>Feria in Ordinary Time</b> 12.00noon Ordination of Priests
	<b>Vigil for the Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary time (C)</b> 4.30pm People of the Parish
<b>Sun 24</b>	<b>Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary time (C)</b> <i>'World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly'</i> 9.30am Robert Green RIP 11.30am Mary Brady <b>3.00pm Ecumenical Celebration to mark beginning of Commonwealth Games.</b>
<b>Mon 25</b>	<b>Feast of St James, Apostle</b> 12.15pm Danny Sheehan RIP
<b>Tue 26</b>	<b>Memorial of Ss Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b> 12.15pm Deceased Members of the Matthews & Daniels Familiy
<b>Wed 27</b>	<b>Feria in Ordinary Time</b> 12.15pm Thomas, Mary & Liam Flaherty RIP
<b>Thurs 28</b>	<b>Feria in Ordinary Time</b> 12.15pm Fr. Krystof K Int.
<b>Friday 29</b>	<b>Memorial of Ss Martha, Mary &amp; Lazarus</b> 12.15pm Mary Houston Sp. Int.
<b>Sat 30</b>	<b>Vigil for the Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary time (C)</b> 4.30pm D. Kelly
<b>Sun 31</b>	<b>Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary time (C)</b> 9.30am People of the Parish 11.30am Patricia Berrington (Sick)

***The God Who Speaks*** – Next Sunday's Readings: **Ecclesiastes 2:21-23; Ps 89; Colossians 3:1-5. 9-11; Luke 12:13-21** [www.godwhospeaks.uk](http://www.godwhospeaks.uk)

**First Sunday of the Month Meet & Greet and Bookshop:** Please join us on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> August for Meet & Greet in the Grimshaw, where there will be tea and coffee after the 9.30 Mass and before the 11.30am Mass in the Grimshaw Room. St Paul's Bookshop welcomes you on the first Sunday of the Month.

**Ordination to the Priesthood this weekend** of Toby Duckworth and Steven Fleming for the Archdiocese of Birmingham. In addition, Yemane Aradom is being ordained priest in Leeds Cathedral.

**THIS CATHEDRAL LIVE STREAMS MASS**

**AND OTHER EVENTS** 

**Holy Father's Prayer Intention for July :**

**For the elderly** - We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people, may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.

**Cathedral Prayers Lists**

**Recently Deceased:** Fr Dermott Donnelly, Eamon McKenna, Oscar Jealous, Lucia Lazaro, Fr George Grynowski, Mercedes Advincula Abordo, Maurice Walshe, Alison Saint, John Mara and victims of COVID, natural disaster and conflicts, especially in Ukraine.

**Those who are ill:** Jane Goodyear, Frances Crockett, Ray Norris, Harpal, Baby George, Finn, Chris Saint, Joan Socci, Marie Chatten and our parishioners, family and friends who are sick.

**For those whose anniversaries occur about this time:** Mgr; Peter Ryall; Frs.: Albert Leo Kelly, Euan Henderson, Joseph Tynan, Denis O'Shea, Basil Wrighton and Thomas Duffy. Deacons; Frank Lockett and Ernie Titchmarsh. Also: Peter Adcock, Elise Evers, Jackie Buckley, Gabriel Walsh, Darren Desmond, Michael Kennedy, Frank Healy, Danny Sheehan, Robert Smith, Kate Walsh, Catherine Gallagher, Pauraic Sweeney, Michael Cassidy, Eddie Goggin, Esther Furlong, Kevin Moran, Ernest Morgan, Matthew O'Donnell Snr. & Stanley Smith.

**Supporting your Cathedral:** It couldn't be simpler. Just point your smartphone camera at the code below, wherever you are, and it will take you to a giving page. Please remember us in your will.



**Summer Events at St Chad's Cathedral –**  
**Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> July at 12 noon** – Ordination of Priests  
**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> July at 3pm** – An Ecumenical Celebration to mark the beginning of the Commonwealth Games in Birmingham and the Midlands. (Free Tickets available via Eventbrite). All welcome.

**St Chad's Cathedral Choir** – is now on its summer break. We thank them for their ministry this year. In their absence, on some Sundays, we will be welcoming various parish choirs to lead our 11.30am Mass.

**Road Closure, Shadwell Street – St Joseph Homes** have informed us of this road closure which will be in effect until **Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> July 2022**. The reason for this is that they are taking down the last of the cranes. They have assured us that our staff, parishioners and visitors can enter through the top end of Shadwell Street (though it will be sign posted as NO Entry, frontages only).

**Please don't leave your belongings unattended at any time.**

**The Commonwealth Games are coming to Birmingham:**

Beginning this week, Birmingham will host the Commonwealth Games. Not only Birmingham, but many other parts of the Archdiocese of Birmingham: the West Midlands, Staffordshire and Warwickshire. It is likely that some visitors to the Games will be Christians who will come to our churches around this time.

To find out more about the locations for the Games and our response, please visit the dedicated page on the Archdiocese of Birmingham website on the Commonwealth Games. We pray for gatherings of friendship, fairness and fraternity.

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

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

**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

**Eternal Wall of Answered Prayer –** This promises to be an important year for this project and you are asked to support it together with Christians around our country and beyond.

How can you support it?

- 1) Financially – see website below
- 2) By Prayer
- 3) By sending in real answers to prayer that you have experienced in your life.

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

**Are you new to our Cathedral Parish?** If so, please stop and say hello to the priest at the end of Mass. Fr Tim, the parish priest, is assisted by visiting priests. We look forward to welcoming you and involving you in the life of our parish.

**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 6211**



**St Joseph’s Care Home:** Situated in the beautiful surroundings of rural Warwickshire, St Joseph’s Care Home offers a range of personalised services including residential care, specialised dementia care and short-term respite care in a friendly welcoming environment. With a dedicated and compassionate staff team who are passionate about making residents safe and happy in an environment that is just how home feels. If you or someone you know might benefit from the care offered and would be interested in more information or to book a virtual tour then please quote SJ2 and contact Care Home Manager Shelley Perryman on 01675 434559, or email [shelleyperryman@fatherhudsons.org.uk](mailto:shelleyperryman@fatherhudsons.org.uk)

**Local Pilgrimage Event - Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> September – Harvington Hall between Bromsgrove and Kidderminster.** A coach has been arranged for this pilgrimage. The fare this year and is likely to be £15.00 per person. If you would like to go on the Pilgrimage please contact **Mr John Berry on 07772 962 872 or by email: [cyberberry93@gmail.com](mailto:cyberberry93@gmail.com)**

(please note: if you book a seat on the coach and are unable to go for whatever reason, you are still required to pay the fare unless you give at least a weeks notice, as the transport has already been paid for.

**Full details of this pilgrimage timetable can be found on the notice board at the back of the Cathedral.**

**St Chad’s Sanctuary –** our parish charity. [www.stchadssanctuary.com](http://www.stchadssanctuary.com).

**An Urgent Appeal for Donations of Food.**

The work of St Chad’s Sanctuary continues and the demands on its services is greater than ever. Please bring tins of food / pasta / soap / shampoo. You can give them to our stewards at Mass. Click on the Sanctuary button on our Cathedral website homepage to see the current needs.

**Sponsored Bike Ride for St Chad’s Sanctuary**

Please consider sponsoring this wonderful initiative. [https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/PainsleyAcademy-SponsoredCycle?utm\\_term=yDQypWBWG](https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/PainsleyAcademy-SponsoredCycle?utm_term=yDQypWBWG)

**The Synod Process & the Diocesan Vision –**

The National Synthesis and a response from the Bishops of England and Wales to it can be seen at: [synod-national-synthesis-england-wales.pdf](http://synod-national-synthesis-england-wales.pdf) ([cbcew.org.uk](http://cbcew.org.uk)) or via that website.

**Marriage Care – Volunteers Needed!** Catholic Marriage Care are looking for Marriage Preparation Facilitators to present and facilitate courses for engaged couples, Centre Coordinators to lead and support centres teams, in various locations across England and Wales, and Trustees to join our board. Find out more about how you could help support couples and families at: [www.marriagecare.org.uk](http://www.marriagecare.org.uk) or email [volunteer@marriagecare.org.uk](mailto:volunteer@marriagecare.org.uk).

In a society that does not always see the value of marriage and family life, let us pray for this intention each day.

Please switch off mobile phones when in Church.



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



**The normal programme for Masses is:**

**Monday to Friday 12.15pm**

**Saturday 4.30pm (Vigil Mass of Sunday) – Confessions after Mass**

**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.)**

**Confessions are now being heard once again in the Confessionals.**

*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 as the end of the congregational procession has received communion, as the Minister of Holy Communion will need to sanitise his/her hands after every person receiving on the tongue.**

On Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May, at the end of their Spring 2022 Plenary Meeting in Cardiff, the Catholic Bishops of England and Wales asked that people now return to the normal practice of Sunday Mass. It is recognised that to be present at Mass and to receive the Eucharist is completely different from joining on the livestream if you are able to be present in person. The full statement on returning to Mass at Pentecost is on the Cathedral website.

**For the purposes of Safety for all concerned, the Cathedral directive is that everybody coming to Mass in the Cathedral wear a face covering which you bring yourself.** We accept that this is not required in all churches, but it remains our standard here and if you choose to come here, we respectfully ask you to abide by this standard.

If you do not have recognisable lanyard that says you are medically exempt, then please do not be offended if you are asked more than once to wear a face covering.

Our stewards and volunteers are simply doing what has been asked of them to keep this standard of safety in the Cathedral. Please be respectful of their role.

If you feel that what we are asking is unreasonable, then you are welcome to choose a church that is more in keeping with your own wishes. We ask that you do not seek to change what we have established here for good reason and which is reviewed regularly.

**Toilet facilities – the Cathedral toilets to the right of the Sanctuary are now available again.**

**PLEASE NOTE THERE IS NO OTHER ACCESS TO THE SACRISTY.**

**Holy Water will be available in the side vestibules or if you require some for home, please speak to a Steward.**

**It is important that people continue to observe social distancing in terms of not gathering in large groups either inside or outside the Cathedral.**

**Votive candle lighting is available**

**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 in the Cathedral.**

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

**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.**

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

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May God bless you.