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**DATE**

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> August  
2022**

**SUNDAY**

**Solemnity of the Assumption  
of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

**DIVINE OFFICE**

**Week 4**

**Live-streamed Masses: Sunday at 9.30am and all weekday Masses.**

<b>Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> August</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> Mass of Sunday	6:00pm	Janet Durkin RIP <sup>(HD)</sup>
<b>Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> August</b> <b>Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b>	9:30am	People of the Parish
<b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup> August</b> Feria	10:30am	Requiem Mass: Bernadette Duggan RIP
<b>Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> August</b> Feria	9.15am	Fr. John Clancy RIP <sup>(J&amp;AT)</sup>
<b>Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> August</b> Feria		No Services Today
<b>Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> August</b> Feria	7.00pm	Sick in the Parish <sup>(SVP)</sup>
<b>Friday 19<sup>th</sup> August</b> Feria	9.15am	Matthew Collins RIP (1st Anniversary) <sup>(D&amp;MH)</sup>
<b>Saturday 20<sup>th</sup></b> St. Bernard of Clairvaux Abbot, Doctor of the Church <sup>Memorial</sup> (1 <sup>st</sup> Mass of Sunday)	9.30am 10-11am 6:00pm	Int. of Joan Lewis <sup>(E&amp;HS)</sup> Exposition, Confessions & Benediction Int. of Tony Mercer (for Health) <sup>(DM)</sup>
<b>Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> August</b> <b>Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	9.30am	People of the Parish

## Pope Francis:

Those who believe themselves to be rich, successful and secure, base everything on themselves and close themselves off to God and their brothers and sisters, whereas those who know they are poor and not self-sufficient remain open to God and their neighbour. And they find joy.



(Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary)

We celebrate this day the feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary and honour her. At her assumption the angels rejoice, and praise her; for she is the mother of God's Son and mother of us, his adopted children.

### CaFOD School Volunteers Needed

Could you spare time to volunteer with CAFOD and help children and young people learn about global poverty, and motivate them to take action? We are looking for volunteers in the Walsall area. Full support, resources and regular training provided. If you'd like to know more, please get in touch with Joanne O'Meara, Community Participation Coordinator: [birmingham@cafod.org.uk](mailto:birmingham@cafod.org.uk)

### St. Chad's Sanctuary

St. Chad's Sanctuary, which welcomes refugees and asylum seekers in Birmingham, is running out of **tinned food, pasta, soap, shampoo** and **toothpaste**. These items could be all that is put into a person's hand when they arrive in our city with nothing. Donation can be placed into the box in the porch.

### Recently Deceased

Of your charity please pray for the repose of the souls of **Bernadette Duggan, Daniel Burns & Sr. Mary Henry OP** on whose souls Sweet Jesus have mercy, may they rest in peace.

Bernadette's Requiem Mass will be at **10.30am on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> August.**

## Pope's Prayer Intention

The Pope's prayer intention for **August** is: **For small businesses**. We pray for small and medium-sized businesses; in the midst of economic and social crisis, may they find ways to continue operating and serving their communities.

### Sick in the Parish

Please pray for all the sick in the parish, remember especially:

**Val Osborn, Janet Chambers, Jo Hawker, Paul Atkinson, Jacqui Bird, Alison Welton, Fr. Tony Rohan, Louise Morgan, Stephen Brook, Margaret Davis, Mary Brough, Joe Bannister, Morris Moseley, Margaret Healy, Juliet Woodhall, Pat Hopley, Luke Smith, Catherine Shepherd, Keiron Sanders, Jim Smith, David Goodwin, Antonio Bigongiari, Olivia (Dotty) Cutler, Ann & Keith Allford, Dcn. John Higgins, Joan Hart, Emma Jones, Anna Morgan <sup>née</sup> Meehan, Margaret Cooper, Holly Brady, Mike Mander, Jo Cooke, Anne Humphreys, Paul Mott, Theresa Chandler, Fr. Paul Chamberlain, Cath Breen, Max Lewis, David & Sheila Piggott, Clare Cooksey & Áine McDonagh.**

Please pray also for all those who carry the burden of their illnesses privately, and for all those who are dedicated to the care of the sick.

### CaFOD Simple Meal

We will be holding our annual **CaFOD Meal** fundraiser on **Saturday the 22<sup>nd</sup> October** after the Vigil Mass. This will be our first since the beginning of the pandemic. Now we are a 'Live Simply' parish, the emphasis here will be on '**simple**', as His Holiness has recommended.

Tickets will be £10pp.

### Becoming a Catholic

Not a Catholic, yet you regularly attend Mass with your family? **Have you ever thought about being received into Full Communion with the Catholic Church?** If this is something that you are interested in please see Fr. Craig who will speak about the possibility of doing a Journey in Faith Course leading up to the celebration of Easter next year.

### Sacramental Preparation

If you have children in a non-Catholic School who, in September, will be going into Years 3 or 6 the time has come to think about their preparation for the Sacraments. Here at St. Mary of the Angels we begin our Sacramental Preparation Programme after the October half term. If you would like your child(ren) to be enrolled onto this programme please speak to Fr. Craig ASAP.

### Pilgrimage to Harvington Hall

The annual Diocesan pilgrimage to Harvington Hall, Shrine of the English Martyrs, takes place on **Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> September**. Mass will be celebrated at 3pm, with confessions available from 1.45pm – 2.30pm. Please see the poster in the porch for more details about the day.

**Please bring your own chairs!**

### Parish Patronal Festival

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> September** marks the feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and the date fixed by Canon Hogarty for the celebration of the Parish Patronal Festival. After the **7pm** evening Mass we will mark this occasion with a cheese and wine reception in the Parish Meeting Room. Please put this date in your diary and remember to come along to celebrate this important moment in the life of the parish. A 'sign up sheet' can be found in the church porch.

### Praying for the Unborn



Today is the feast of St. Maximilian Kolbe, patron of the pro-life movement. We ask for his intercession as we the Church seek to support all pregnant mothers through their pregnancies, and that we would become models of support and charity to all in society. Amen.

### Novena for the Canonisation of Blessed Dominic Barberi

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2022** marks the beginning of the Diocesan Novena to pray for the Canonisation of Blessed Dominic Barberi.

The Novena of Prayer lasts for nine days and concludes on his feast day on **Friday 26<sup>th</sup> August**.

This annual Novena of Prayer for the Cause of Blessed Dominic Barberi is a moment to pause and to appreciate the work of this holy Passionist in our Archdiocese and to pray for his Canonisation.

Another saint for our Diocese? Find out more about Bl. Dominic at:

<https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/news/diocesan-novena-for-the-canonisation-of-blessed-dominic-barberi>

### APF – Mill Hill Mission

To all Masses this weekend, **13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> August**, we welcome Fr. Emmanuel MHM who will be speaking on behalf of APF – Mill Hill and their Missionary Work. This appeal is not for money but to encourage parishioners to become members and take a Red Mission Box.

### Sacrament of the Sick

Please remember to inform Fr. Craig **directly** in case of sickness, especially if it requires hospital treatment or a prolonged absence from Mass. If you cannot inform the clergy yourself it is then your family who should take on this responsibility.

### Save the Dates

The relics of **St. Bernadette** will be visiting the Archdiocese over the weekend of the 7<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> October. The relics of this wonderful saint will be visiting **Our Lady of Lourdes** in **Hednesford** and **St. Chad's Cathedral**.

### Baptism Enquiries

If you would like to have your child Baptised here at St. Mary of the Angels, please visit the 'Baptismal Enquiry' page of the parish website using the following link: <https://www.catholicaldridge.co.uk/baptismal-enquiries.html>

Here you can complete a 'Baptism Enquiry Form'. The next available dates for Baptism Preparation are:

**7pm Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November**

**7pm Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January**

### **PARISH DUTIES THIS WEEKEND: 13<sup>TH</sup>/14<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2022**

<b>6.00PM VIGIL MASS</b>	<b>READERS:</b>	Cathy S & John H
<b>9.30AM SUNG MASS</b>	<b>MUSIC:</b>	Folk Group
	<b>READERS:</b>	Will B & Martin B
<b>Duties During the Week: 15<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup></b>		
<b>CLEANERS:</b>	Team A	
<b>FLOWERS:</b>	Jill	

### **PARISH DUTIES NEXT WEEKEND: 20<sup>TH</sup>/21<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST 2022**

<b>6.00PM VIGIL MASS</b>	<b>WELCOMERS:</b>	Dawn M
	<b>WARDENS:</b>	Brian L
	<b>READERS:</b>	Hugh D & Pat H
<b>9.30AM SUNG MASS</b>	<b>MUSIC:</b>	Choir
	<b>WELCOMERS:</b>	Elena S & Margaret L
	<b>WARDENS:</b>	Pat & Sally S
	<b>READERS:</b>	Helen C & Jacqui B
<b>COFFEE:</b>	Sarah B, Catherine & Franchesca A	

**And finally:-** This weekend's celebration, the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, marks the end of Our Lady's earthly life, and the culmination of her vocation. Having been conceived without Original Sin, and with great humility, fulfilling her vocation to be the Mother of the Lord, it was only fitting that at the end of her life Mary should be the first to share fully in the resurrection of the dead. Now in the glory of heaven, body and soul, she stands at the right hand of her Son and reigns as queen. Here she intercedes for us, her children, whom she took to her immaculate heart as she stood at the foot of the Cross. This solemnity inspires us to joy on so many different levels. Not only do we have an example of humility and fidelity to follow. We are consoled by the certainty of the intercession of so loving a mother, and we are strengthened and sustained with the hope that where Mary has gone before us in glory, we are called to follow in faith.

*May God bless and protect you all. Fr. Craig*