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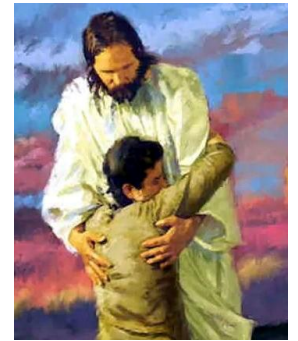
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DATE

**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2023**

SUNDAY

**Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary  
Time**

DIVINE OFFICE

**Week 2**

**Live-stream: All of our services are now Live-streamed.**

<u>Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> July</u> 1 <sup>st</sup> Mass of Sunday	6:00pm	People of the Parish
<u>Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> July</u> <b>Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	9:30am	Rita Bigongiari RIP <sup>(RB)</sup>
<u>Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July</u> Feria	9:15am 4:30pm	Int. of Clare, Orian & Thorbjorn <sup>(Dcn. Peter)</sup> <b>Reception: Margaret Cooper</b>
<u>Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July</u> St. Benedict Abbot, Patron of Europe <sup>Feast</sup>	9:15am 12:30pm	John Murphy RIP <sup>(SW)</sup> <b>Requiem Mass: Margaret Cooper</b>
<u>Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July</u> Feria		No Services Today
<u>Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July</u> Feria	7:00pm	Private Intention
<u>Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July</u> St. Camillus de Lellis Priest <sup>Memorial</sup>	<b>6:00pm</b>	Edmund Joseph McCabe RIP <sup>(MD)</sup>
<u>Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> July</u> St. Bonaventure <sup>Memorial</sup> Bishop, Doctor of the Church (1 <sup>st</sup> Mass of Sunday)	9:30am 10-11am 6:00pm	People of the Parish <i>Exposition, Confessions, and Benediction</i> Victor Alonzo RIP <sup>(MB)</sup>
<u>Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> July</u> <b>Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	9:30am	Paul Atkinson RIP <sup>(AH)</sup>

## Pope Francis:

A prophet is a living sign who points God out to others, a reflection of Christ's light on the path of their brothers and sisters, someone who helps others read the present under the action of the Holy Spirit, to understand God's plans and correspond to them.

### **This Week's CaFOD Prayer**

**CAFOD**

**(Fourteenth Week in Ordinary Time)**

**God our Father, through your son, Jesus, you have rescued us from slavery to sin. We thank you for the eternal gladness you have bestowed upon us.**

### Craft & Natter

We meet every Tuesday from **11am – 3pm** in the Parish Meeting Room. Everyone is welcome to come along, 50p per session for drinks and supplies. Come for the whole day or for part of the day; just remember to bring your lunch. For more information call Christine on 01922 860981.

### Sunday Coffee Mornings

Every Sunday after the 9:30am Mass in the Meeting Room. If you have not yet joined us after Mass why not pop in for a tea/coffee and a biscuit?

**We would love to see you there!**

### Wednesday Friends

On Wednesday, **19th July**, the next meeting of the Wednesday Friends takes place at **10am** in the **Parish Meeting Room**. Come along for a friendly chat and enjoy a nice cup of tea or coffee with a hot slice of buttered toast (which always tastes better when you don't have to make it yourself). All are welcome to come along.

### Walsall Life Appeal

**Walsall Life** urgently require a **twin pushchair**. If you have one you no longer need please contact **Ann T.**

## Pope's Prayer Intention

The Pope's prayer intention for **July** is:- **For a Eucharistic life**. We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.

### Retiring Collections

This weekend, **8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup> July**, there will be a retiring collection for the **Apostleship of the Sea**. This special collection supports the work of the Maritime Chaplaincy 'Stella Maris' which has care of Seafarers and their families.

### Sick in the Parish

Pray for the sick in the parish, remembering especially:

**Carol Facer, Oscar Wordsworth, Nichola Woodhall, Annie McManus, Paul Corbett, Barbara McAnulty, Carmel Fekete, Geoff Hopkinson, Lynn Stanley, John Green, Roy Allsopp, Janet Chambers, Jo Hawker, Alison Welton, Louise Morgan, Stephen Brook, Margaret Davis, Mary Brough, Joe Bannister, Morris Moseley, Margaret Healy, Juliet Woodhall, Luke Smith, Catherine Shepherd, Jim Smith, David Goodwin, Antonio Bigongiari, Olivia (Dotty) Cutler, Ann & Keith Allford, Joan Hart, Anna Morgan <sup>née</sup> Meehan, 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 remember also in your prayers those who carry the burden of their illnesses privately and those who care for them.

## Praying for the Unborn



We pray for all considering an abortion. We pray that the love and support of those around them would encourage the mother to continue with her pregnancy and find peace in what the future holds. Lord hear us.



Children's Liturgy takes place every Sunday at the 9:30am Mass. At the start of the Mass the children will be invited to go out to the Meeting Room for their Liturgy. All children are welcome to come along.

## Recently Deceased

Of your charity please pray for the repose of the souls of **Margaret Cooper & Norman Parker** on whose souls Sweet Jesus have mercy, may they rest in peace. Margaret Cooper will be received into church on **Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July at 4:30pm**. Her Requiem will be celebrated on **Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July at 12:30pm**.

## Help Wanted

On Friday the 14<sup>th</sup> July we need help to prepare the church grounds for the Parish Party, which will follow the Mass. **Help is needed from 2:00pm** to erect the marquees, put out chairs, and generally help with the evenings proceedings. Any offers of help, please contact Sue on 457247

## Whetstone Over 50's Group

This month our meeting will not take place on Monday 10<sup>th</sup>, as usual, instead it will be held on **Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July**. The children from SMA Primary have invited the regular members of the group to join them at **1:30pm in the school** for their production of Robin Hood. Tickets have been ordered.

## Fr. Craig's 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

On Friday we, as a parish, will mark the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Fr. Craig's Ordination to the Sacred Priesthood with a Mass at 6:00pm. Following Mass there will be a celebration in the grounds of the church (weather permitting)! **If you have signed up to attend the celebration (this weekend is your final opportunity to do so) please could we ask, if you have folding chairs of your own, that you bring them with you.**

## SPUC Petition



The Chinese government is imposing forced abortion, sterilisation and infanticide on its own population and especially on the Uyghur minority. The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC) is petitioning the UK Government to stop funding a regime that commits these abuses of human rights. You can find out more and sign the petition at:

<https://www.spuc.org.uk/complicit-petition>.

## Congratulations



We offer our prayers and our congratulations to **Soairse Anne McMillan Y** who was baptised here last weekend. We pray also for her parents and Godparents as they take on the responsibility of raising her in the practice of the faith.

### 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.



### 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.catholicdridge.co.uk/baptismal-enquiries.html> Here you can complete a 'Baptism Enquiry Form'. The next available dates for Baptism Preparation are:

**7pm Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July**  
**7pm Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> September**  
**7pm Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November**

### **PARISH DUTIES THIS WEEKEND: 8<sup>TH</sup>/9<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2023**

<b>6:00PM VIGIL MASS</b>	<b>READERS:</b>	Brian L & Gerry W
<b>9:30AM SUNG MASS</b>	<b>MUSIC:</b>	Choir
	<b>READERS:</b>	Christine L & Catherine A

### **Duties During the Week: 10<sup>TH</sup>/15<sup>TH</sup> July 2023**

<b>CLEANERS:</b>	Team B
<b>FLOWERS:</b>	Sally S & Shelagh G

### **PARISH DUTIES NEXT WEEKEND: 15<sup>TH</sup>/16<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2023**

<b>6:00PM VIGIL MASS</b>	<b>WELCOMERS:</b>	Mavie & Krystal B
	<b>WARDENS:</b>	Brian L
	<b>READERS:</b>	John H & Gerry W
<b>9:30AM SUNG MASS</b>	<b>MUSIC:</b>	Folk Group
	<b>WELCOMERS:</b>	Rod & Joan L
	<b>WARDENS:</b>	John O'N & Bruce B
	<b>READERS:</b>	Alice G & Martin B
<b>COFFEE:</b>	The Service Family	

**And finally:-** On this Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time the Prophet Zechariah encourages us to "rejoice heart and soul". Despite all that the people of Israel had to undergo, the prophet reminds them that if they trust in the Lord, He will come to them – He will be with them - and in Him they will triumph. This same image is taken up in the gospel when the Lord invites us to "shoulder [His] yoke and learn from [Him]". The 'yoke' of course is the instrument by which two are bound together in order that they may work as one. Taking upon ourselves the Lord's 'yoke' means being united to Him in all that we do, and in all that we may have to undergo in our daily lives. This 'yoke' brings to those who bear it the gifts of gentleness, humility, and the promise of resting in the love of Christ. Having this gift of faith, the knowledge that Christ is with us in all that we do, brings us comfort as we face the challenges of life, sure and certain in the knowledge that we are never alone, that the Lord bears our burdens with us.

*May God bless you all, Fr. Craig*