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DATE

Sunday 30th July 2023

SUNDAY

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary
Time Year A

DIVINE OFFICE

Week 1

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

<u>Saturday 29th July</u> 1 st Mass of Sunday	6:00pm	People of the Parish
<u>Sunday 30th July</u> Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	9:30am	Alice Murphy RIP (S&JW)
<u>Monday 31st July</u> St. Ignatius of Loyola Priest Memorial		No Services Today
<u>Tuesday 1st August</u> St. Alphonsus de' Liguori Bishop, Doctor of the Church Memorial		No Services Today
<u>Wednesday 2nd August</u> Feria		No Services Today
<u>Thursday 3rd August</u> Feria		No Services Today
<u>Friday 4th August</u> St. John Vianney Priest Memorial		No Services Today
<u>Saturday 5th August</u> Dedication of the Lateran Basilica of St. Mary Major Memorial (1 st Mass of Sunday)	6:00pm	Int. of Tony & Mavis Miles (60th Wed Ann) (TM)
<u>Sunday 6th August</u> Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord	9:30am	Francis Patton RIP (The Patton Family)

Pope Francis:

In the Gospel, the Lord gently invites us to accept the mystery of life with serenity and patience, to leave judgement to Him, and not to live regretful and remorseful lives. It is as if Jesus wanted to say to us: "In the end, the good will be greater than evil".

Pope's Prayer Intention

The Pope's prayer intention for **August** is:- **For World Youth Day**. We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives.

This Week's CAFOD Prayer **(Seventeenth Week in Ordinary Time)**

Fill our hearts, Lord Jesus, with compassion. Help us to share the goodness of your consoling love with all our neighbours, wherever we see a need and can act.

Whetstone Over 50's Group & Wednesday Friends

Our Over 50's & Wednesday Friends Groups are now having their summer holiday. We would like to thank everyone who has supported us over the past academic year, and we look forward to welcoming new members when we resume our meetings in September.

Craft & Natter

Craft and natter are now having their usual summer break. Our weekly meetings resume from **11am-3pm** on **Tuesday 5th September**. As usual all are welcome to come along for either the whole or for part of the day, 50p per session, for more information call Christine on 07900604902.

Sick in the Parish

Pray for the sick in the parish, remembering especially:

Sister Ann Marie, 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 née 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.

Walsall Life

Urgently need clothes for 18 month to 3-year-old baby girls. If you have such spare, please contact **Ann T** on **01922 451124**.

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!

Guild of St. Stephen – Servers Mass

On Saturday, **7th October**, Bishop David Evans will celebrate the Annual Mass of Thanksgiving for Altar Servers at **12noon** at **St. Chad's Cathedral**. Altar Servers and their families are warmly invited to attend this Mass followed by light refreshments in the Grimshaw Room. If you wish to attend this Mass please let Fr. Craig know ASAP.

Please remember also in your prayers those who carry the burden of their illnesses privately and those who care for them.

The Latest Weekend Readers Rota is available to collect from the Porch

Safeguarding Notice

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Mr. Gerry Wintrip. Gerry can be contacted at: sg.smota.aldridge@rcaob.org.uk or the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted at safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk or on 0121 230 6240 if you have any concerns.

Recently Deceased

Of your charity please pray for the repose of the souls of **Fr. Bernard Garratt** and Fr. Michael White's father **John White** on whose souls Sweet Jesus have mercy, may they rest in peace.

Parish Pilgrimage to Assisi

The time for our Parish Pilgrimage to Assisi will soon have arrived. To prepare ourselves, and to ensure that we are all "singing from the same hymn sheet", it would be helpful if we could have a short pre-departure meeting. If possible could we meet at **6pm** on **Thursday 24th August** in the Parish Meeting Room. At this meeting Fr. Craig will give out printed copies of the itinerary, detailing the coach and flight information, and also try to answer any questions you may have. If you cannot make this meeting please let Fr. Craig know ASAP.

Rosary for the Unborn



This Thursday, **3rd August** at **6:30pm**, you are invited to pray the Rosary **in your homes** for the protection of all babies in the womb, and for their families. This month's intention is: '**For women and families expecting a child at this time**'.



Children's Liturgy of the **Word**

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.

A date for your diary

At **1pm** on **Thursday 17th August** Suzanne W, daughter of Sue & John W, will be joined together in Holy Matrimony to Andrew R. Sue and John warmly invite all parishioners to attend the Wedding Service of their daughter and future Son-in-Law.

Canon Michael J Leadbeater

Invites you to celebrate his Silver Jubilee of Ordination to the Sacred Priesthood on

Saturday 9th September 2023

at

St. Mary's the Mount Catholic Church

Holy Mass will be celebrated at **12:00 noon** followed by lunch in the Pastoral Centre.

There is a Sign Up form in the porch which needs to be completed before the 1st of August.

Congratulations



We offer our prayers and our congratulations to **Ísabella Sóley S** 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.catholicaldridge.co.uk/baptismal-enquiries.html> Here you can complete a 'Baptism Enquiry Form'. The next available dates for Baptism Preparation are:

7pm Tuesday 19th September

7pm Tuesday 21st November

PARISH DUTIES THIS WEEKEND: 29TH/30TH JULY 2023

6:00PM VIGIL MASS	READERS:	Cathy S & Pat H
9:30AM SUNG MASS	MUSIC:	Choir
	READERS:	Catherine A & Mark H

Duties During the Week: 31ST July/5TH August 2023

CLEANERS: Team A

FLOWERS: Anne H

PARISH DUTIES NEXT WEEKEND: 5TH/6TH AUGUST

6:00PM VIGIL MASS	WELCOMERS:	Shelagh G & Anne H
	WARDENS:	Brian L
	READERS:	Gerry W & Ann C
9:30AM SUNG MASS	MUSIC:	Choir
	WELCOMERS:	Rossella B & Helen C
	WARDENS:	Pat & Sally S
	READERS:	Christine L & Catherine A
COFFEE:	The Wintrip Family	

And finally:- In the Refectory at Oscott College the 'Great Fireplace' which dominates one of its walls is inscribed, in Latin, with a quotation taken from the 9th Chapter of the Book of Proverbs; the quote reads "give instruction to the wise man, and he will be still wiser". In our first reading at Mass today Solomon, often called 'the Wise', is given the opportunity to ask of God anything he wants. At this point Solomon could have asked for anything – great wealth, military power, unequalled strength and beauty – however, recognising his own weaknesses, he ask God for the gift of "an understanding heart to discern between good and evil" – in short he asked for wisdom. From the very moment of our conception God implanted within our very being precious gifts to be used in His service, and in the service of the Kingdom. If we are to fulfil God's plan for each one of us we, like Solomon, must search for wisdom like a "pearl beyond price". This treasure, for which we must pray, is of course is the promised gift of the Holy Spirit who alone can enlighten our hearts and minds with the wisdom and glory of God.

May God bless you all, Fr. Craig