

<p><u>PARISH CLERGY:</u></p> <p>PARISH PRIEST Fr. Craig Davies</p> <p>PARISH DEACON Rev. Peter Crosby</p>	<p align="center">ST. MARY OF THE ANGELS</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;">  <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>39 Whetstone Lane Aldridge Walsall WS9 0JD Tel:01922 452316</p> </div>  </div>	<p>This Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham.</p> <p align="center">Registered Charity Nº:234216</p>
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DATE
Sunday 15th October 2023

SUNDAY
Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

DIVINE OFFICE
Week 4

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

<p><u>Saturday 14th October</u> 1st Mass of Sunday</p>	<p>6:00pm</p>	<p>Pauline Gaunt RIP ^(TO'D)</p>
<p><u>Sunday 15th October</u> Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>9:30am 6:15pm</p>	<p>Int. of Fran & Margaret Reeves ^(60th Ann.) ^(F&MR) <i>Holy Hour for Vocations</i></p>
<p><u>Monday 16th Oct</u> Feria</p>	<p>9:15am</p>	<p>Winnie Doherty RIP ^(EW)</p>
<p><u>Tuesday 17th Oct</u> St Ignatius of Antioch ^{Bishop, Martyr} Memorial</p>	<p>9:15am</p>	<p>Int. of Alana Breen ^(KB)</p>
<p><u>Wednesday 18th Oct</u> St. Luke ^{Evangelist, Feast}</p>		<p>No Services Today</p>
<p><u>Thursday 19th Oct</u> Feria</p>	<p>7:00pm</p>	<p>Private Intention</p>
<p><u>Friday 20th Oct</u> St. Edward the Confessor ^{Memorial}</p>	<p>9:15am 6:00pm</p>	<p>Int. of John & Dorothy Clarke ^(P&JS) <i>Lectio Divina</i></p>
<p><u>Saturday 21st October</u> Our Lady ^{Saturday Memorial} (1st Mass of Sunday)</p>	<p>9:30am 10-11am 6:00pm</p>	<p>Int. of Mary Stanton ^(FS) <i>Exposition, Confessions & Benediction</i> People of the Parish</p>
<p><u>Sunday 22nd October</u> Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>9:30am 6:15pm</p>	<p>Sr. Assumpta Healy RIP ^(CB) <i>Holy Hour for Vocations</i></p>

Pope Francis:

Truly, to pity means both to suffer with the victims of the great inhumanity in the world, and also to pity those who commit errors and injustices, not justifying, but humanising. When we enter the logic of fighting, of division between us, of bad feelings, one against the other, we lose our humanity. Do not forget this: forgiveness, which is God's caress to all of us.

This Week's Prayer

CAFOD

Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Do not attend to our iniquities, Lord God. How can we stand if you do? Fountain of all forgiveness, forgive us.

Do Not Forget Our CaFOD Meal

THIS Saturday 14th October after Mass.

We trust you remember to bring your own drinks and glasses.

Help during the evening would be much appreciated

Recently Deceased

Of your charity please pray for the repose of the souls of **Peter Beech** (for many years one of our parishioners), on whose souls Sweet Jesus have mercy, may he rest in peace.

Wednesday Friends

Our next meeting takes place in the Parish Meeting Room on **Wednesday 18th October** at **10.00am**. Please come along for a friendly chat over a cup of tea/coffee and a slice of hot buttered toast. You will all be made to feel very welcome.

Craft & Natter

Meets each **Tuesday, 11am to 3pm** in the Meeting Room. All are welcome. Come for a morning, an afternoon or the whole session; just remember to bring your lunch. 50p will cover refreshments and supplies. For more information call Christine W on 07900604902 for more information.

Pope's Prayer Intention

The Pope's prayer intention for **October** is:- **For the Synod**. We pray for Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.

Sick in the Parish

Pray for the sick in the parish, remembering especially:

Marie Wilson, Ian Phipps, Sister Ann-Marie, Carol Facer, Oscar Wordsworth, Nichola Woodhall, Paul Corbett, Carmel Fekete, 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, 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.

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

A Thank You from Adin (Elena's Grandson)

A Sincere thank you to parishioners who sponsored **Adin, Fin & Sam** in the fun run in support of their friend **Oscar** and to raise funds for Leukaemia research.



Leukemia
Research
Foundation

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.

Holy Hour for Vocations

Please do come along to church at **6:15pm** on Sunday evenings to join us in praying before the Blessed Sacrament for an increase in vocations to the Priesthood, the Diaconate and the Religious Life.

Lectio Divina

At **6:15pm** on **Fridays**, Jithin will be leading Lectio Divina in the Parish Meeting Room. Please do come along and to discover how this wonderful form of prayer can help you in your life of prayer.

Journey in Faith

We begin our Journey in Faith Course on **Monday 16th October** at **6:30pm** in the Parish Meeting Room. This course of Adult Catechesis is open to all members of the parish who are interested in learning more about the faith, and the teachings of the Church. Over the period of this course we will take a look at the central teachings of the Church we profess each Sunday in the Creed; what the Church says with regards to the Moral Life; the Sacraments and Prayer. Coming along to these sessions not only helps us to grow in our faith, but it is also an opportunity to support those who are preparing to be received into the Church this coming Easter. We look forward to seeing some of you there!



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.

Farmers' Right to Save and Plant Their Own Seeds

The letters signed by parishioners late May/early June were sent promptly to CaFOD. Now a notice has come back to say almost 600 parishes in England and Wales have held such a singing-up so far. All the copy letters were handed in to the World Bank headquarters on Wednesday 11th October during its Annual Meeting. Beforehand, however, a small CAFOD delegation will attend a Bank meeting in Morocco to speak with its senior staff. Contact has also been established with the UK Foreign Office. If you would like to get more detail of this CAFOD campaign report, it can be accessed on their web site. The campaign to *stop the privatisation of seeds* continues to build. Please pray for final success.

Second Collection

Next weekend **21st/22nd October**, there will be a second collection for **World Mission Sunday**.

Help Needed

Sadly we have, or are about to, say farewell to Bruce B who is moving to be closer to family in Oxfordshire. With his departure John O'N is left alone to act as warden every other Sunday. If you are willing to help John in this duty please speak to Fr. Craig ASAP.

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 21st November

PARISH DUTIES THIS WEEKEND: 14TH/15TH OCTOBER 2023

6:00PM VIGIL MASS	READERS:	Brian L & Hugh D Cathy S & John H
9:30AM SUNG MASS	MUSIC:	Choir
	READERS:	Mark H & Catherine A

Duties During the Week: 16TH – 21ST October 2023

CLEANERS:	Team D
FLOWERS:	Sally & Shelagh

PARISH DUTIES NEXT WEEKEND: 21ST/22ND OCTOBER 2023

6:00PM VIGIL MASS	WELCOMERS:	Ann & John T
	WARDENS:	Tony M
	READERS:	Gerry W & Pat H
9:30AM SUNG MASS	MUSIC:	Folk Group
	WELCOMERS:	Jonathan & Jenson
	WARDENS:	John O'N
	READERS:	Christine L & Alice G
COFFEE:	Shelagh G, Cath W, Deidre & Mary McC	

And finally:- “But they were not interested.” It is amazing to wonder what other things they were interested in, such that they avoided coming to the King's banquet. Maybe there were other banquets? But, what could be greater than the King's banquet! Firstly, we have to wonder what exactly this banquet is. What makes it special? In short, our creator who knows us, also knows what fully satisfies us. Some things appeal well to our palates, but are not good for us in the long run. The food that He prepares for us is what nourishes us properly. In the Church, we know that Jesus does this in particular by His Word and His Body - The Eucharist. They are the food that endures. How can we incorporate more of listening to His Word and receiving the Eucharist into our lives? Everyday there is that invitation. When we come wearing our wedding garments – coming with appropriate disposition, with love for God and neighbour, we are given such a great welcome. No one is turned away although He is the greatest of all kings. What an occasion this must be.

May God bless you all, Jithin