

Parish of the Sacred Heart and Saint Margaret Mary, Aston Parish of St. Joseph's Nechells

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11th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

13th June 2021

Day	Aston	Nechells	Intention
Saturday	11.00 am		People of Parish
Sunday vigil		4.00 pm	1 st Communion children
11 th SUNDAY of Ordinary Time	10.00 am		Nora O'Connor
Monday		9.30 am	Ger Sherlock
Tuesday in Sacred Heart school	9.10 am		Tommy Kennedy
Wednesday in St. Joseph's school		9.15 am	Recently confirmed & 1st Comm
Thursday			Patrick Collopy
Friday		Noon	Seanie Carrol
Saturday	11.00 am		People of Parish
Sunday Vigil		6.00 pm	Mary Russell
12 th SUNDAY of Ordinary Time	10.00 am		Anne Kennedy

Dear Parishioners,

On 19th July 1996 I was ordained priest at St. Chad's Cathedral by Archbishop Maurice Couve de Murville. Covid has meant that planning ahead for my Silver Jubilee has been very difficult. However we are planning a special Mass on Saturday 24th July at 12 noon at Sacred Heart Church with a reception in the Club afterwards (extending into the garden if the weather is good). Please book that date into your diary. We shall not have any other Masses on that Saturday either at Sacred Heart Church or at St. Joseph's.

I remind you that this Saturday the Mass at St. Joseph's will be at 4.00 pm (not 6 pm). At this Mass the children will make their First Communion. There will be plenty of room for all those who want to attend to come keeping Covid regulations.

This weekend the Archbishop will be addressing us in a very important Pastoral Letter setting out the first steps in his vision for a Catholic Diocese and inviting us to think about it. There are four essential aspects to it. Evangelisation, Formation, Liturgy & Worship and Social Outreach. We are going to see major changes take place over the next few years which will affect us all. We need to make sure that we are all fully part of this so that the Holy Spirit can renew the Church as we come out of lockdown and we can be a more vibrant Church and more confident in the tasks our Lord is entrusting to us. There are Prayer Cards for you to take and to use called "Prayer for the Diocesan Vision".

There are some copies of this letter to take and I shall be sending it out electronically and I am sure it will be available to watch on the Diocesan website.

May God bless you all and keep you safe for eternal life. Fr. Stephen Pimlott

Collections last Sunday

Sacred Heart First collection £245.55 St. Joseph's First collection £24.45

Next weekend there will be a Day for Life second collection. Our Archbishop is specially commending it to us this year. He writes we have been asked to place a special emphasis on the Day for Life since it helps to fund organisations which support the dignity of human life and the

Church's teaching. This is especially important this year when a Bill has been introduced into the House of Lords on assisted suicide. Funds made available from the second collection, alongside the support of prayer, will assist the Church's campaign to oppose this Bill.

CLASS MASSES are beginning in both schools. Unfortunately other people are not allowed to attend them.

SACRAMENTS FOR CHILDREN NOT AT A CATHOLIC SCHOOL A number of people have asked me about this and it has always been something very difficult for us to handle However new things are beginning to happen and I would like to get together parents of children in this situation. Please will any of you in this situation whatever the age of your children get in touch with me even if you make have spoken to me before. Email would be good giving me your name and address, email and telephone numbers.

WORK ON BOTH OUR CHURCHES will be starting on Monday 21st June, at Sacred Heart to repair the damaged woodwork caused by the years of ingress of water and at St. Joseph's to redecorate following the lead theft a couple of years ago. This shouldn't inconvenience us at Sacred Heart, but could be more problematic at St. Joseph's. We shall have to see when the scaffolding is up.

DIOCESAN NEWS Go to News and Events from the Archdiocese of Birmingham (birminghamdiocese.org.uk)

YOUTH Many things are beginning to happen now that we are coming out of lockdown, some still on-line but also events at Alton Castle and other places. Visit the website KENELM YOUTH TRUST - Home

PARKING Sometimes it is a bit congested round Sacred Heart Church, but we shall make sure that the Club Car park is open for you to attend the weekend Masses (except match days).

OUR ON-LINE BIBLE STUDY of St. Mark's Gospel continues on Mondays at 7 pm. Please contact George on 07870 153066 or at georgeswisoba@live.co.uk to register.

St. Paul's Convent, Selly Park are advertising two paid posts. See notice on board in Church. Closing date for applications 25th June.

Please Pray for the sick; Mary Levell, William Parish, Anne Robinson, Maura Greene, Jimmy Armstrong, Bernadette Harnett, Lisa Brean, Michael Brennan, Alex McClure, Phil Robinson, Mona Recci, Mary Cartridge, Bill Marron.

BECOMING A CATHOLIC If you wish to become a Catholic, or know someone who wishes to become a Catholic, or perhaps are a Catholic but have little perception of what that means, please contact Fr. Stephen by phone, email or in person.

<u>Visions of the Sacred Heart of Jesus: 4 Mystical Messages to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque</u> (churchpop.com)

MARRIAGE MATTERS www.twoinoneflesh.org.uk (Ezekiel 17:22-24 2 Corinthians 5:6-10 Mark 4:26-34) The seed that grows to become a shelter Each of us has a 'seed' of love in us at our birth. This is fostered as we grow to value others through our relationships. Learning to love ourselves and each other more deeply helps our seeds of love to swell. Eventually our unified love becomes a 'shelter' for our children, our families and all those whose lives we touch.

ON-LINE RETREATS FROM BELMONT ABBEY There are some interesting options here. God to https://www.belmontabbey.org.uk/online-retreats/register for more information and to register.

CORONAVIRUS For the Church's guidelines see the Conference of Bishops website https://www.cbcew.org.uk or go to COVID-19: guidance for the safe use of places of worship - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

USEFUL WEBSITES

<u>Home - Sycamore</u> A new English (as opposed to American) site to help parents be more confident in the faith so us to be more able to teach their children. It can accessed in several different languages which some of you might find helpful.

https://www.mcnmedia.tv For access to many streamlined Masses in UK & Ireland

https://www.wordonfire.org

https://www.stchadscathedral.org.uk/

https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/

https://www.ewtn.com/radio/shows/called-to-communion

https://www.catholic.com/

https://www.walsingham.org.uk/

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