

Notices for week beginning 19th Sep 2021

Sat 18 th	6.00pm	Bridie & Jack Downes RIP Cathy	
Sun 19 th	10.15am	Michael Reilly RIP Marie G	
	6.00pm	No Mass	Gluten free hosts available before Mass in the Sacristy
Mon 20 th	9.00am	Karan Conlon RIP Andrea H	
Tues 21 st	7.00pm	Maggie & Pete Philbin RIP M.O'S	
Wed 22 nd	9.00am	Mary Walsh RIP Liam & fam	
School	9.45am	Mary McHugh RIP	
Thu 23 rd	9.00am	Mary Walsh RIP Liam & fam	Do not be afraid
Fri 24 th	9.00am	Gerald Moran RIP Jean W	come to church & pray the
Sat 25 th	9.00am	Peter Briody RIP Tom K	Mass in person & receive
	6.00pm	Peggy Hopkins RIP Patricia	the Lord Jesus in Holy Communion
Sun 26 th	10.15am	Kathleen & Tony Murphy & family Mary	
	1.30pm	Pat McGowan RIP Fiona, John & Paul	
	6.00pm	No Mass	

100th Anniversary of the Legion of Mary

The Legion of Mary will be 100 years on September 21, 2021. To mark this joyous celebration, we will like to invite you to these events.

1. Centenary mass at St Chad's Cathedral on Sunday 5th of September 2021. Mass starts at 2pm. Registration is required, please speak to Rita Ocho
2. 100th anniversary celebration being organised by the West Birmingham Curia on Sunday 26 September, 2021. Venue: St Dunstons, Kings Heath. Time: 12noon, refreshment follows after mass. Registration not required.

Your gardens need you Please can you help by giving a couple of hours once a month to blitz the borders and paths to keep our gardens looking beautiful? Unfortunately, our volunteers have become depleted due to a number of reasons including age and sadly ill health which means currently we are reduced to a 'team of one' which is unmanageable. Please ring, text or email Ed Chapman on 07968 831986 / edchapman54@gmail.com Thank you for your support, please help.

Mass singers Singers and musicians needed at 10.15am mass on Sundays. New and returning members are welcome.

Black Lives Matter Yes! Yes! Yes! All LIFE comes from God. We are God's CREATION.

How to access the picture/webcam in the Upper Room <https://www.mcnmedia.tv>

Go to the parish website and follow links for the upper room Parish Website: <https://stedward.org.uk/>
Go to You tube <https://www.youtube.com/> and type in St Edwards, Selly Park Or type the following into your browser <https://camstreamer.com/redirect/d8e46be62ebbf3/S-41947>

Church website <https://stedward.org.uk/>- weekly bulletins can be found online here.

MASS ATTENDANCE: Sat (vigil) 19 Sun (10.15am) 123

Off Collection £250.37 Catholic Education £126.14

Anonymous donation to St Edward's Church. A sincere Thank you with Many Prayers & Blessings. This will be put towards the Bell – Flood Lighting & Front of Church Project.

Envelopes available for those who use them & for others to use also standing order forms.

SICK: Rose Hyland, Peter Pamba, Caroline Holland, Marie Flynn, Felix McCann, John Masterson, James Neild, Megan Foley, Peter Power, Rita (Dunsby) Miles, Vickie Keating, Roger Hookes and all the sick and housebound of the Parish.

ANNIVERSARIES: Rev John Lopes, Rev Alan Leslie Holtham, Rev Peter Lees, Rev John David Steward, Canon David Mellor, Rev John Hanrahan, Rev John Roddy, Rev Bernard McAllister, Rev John Love, Canon Leo Twiney, Rev John Bale. **Also** Maureen McLoughlin, Thomas Hession, Maggie Philbin, Mary Walsh, Baby Noah Brian Duffy, John Dalton, Elizabeth Duffy, Mark Szuler, Bill Pinckston, Helen Foley, Syl Campbell **and for all whose anniversaries occur about this time.**

DIOCESAN PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS: Lord Jesus, send labourers into your harvest. Inspire in the hearts of your people, vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Bless our families with a spirit of generosity. May those whom you call to the priesthood and religious life have the courage to give themselves to your Church as co-operators in your work. St John Vianney – *Pray for Us.*

PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.

PRAYER TO SAINT JOHN HENRY NEWMAN Almighty and eternal God, we offer heartfelt thanks and praise for the life and witness of Saint John Henry Newman. In him You have given us an inspiring example of a priest and teacher heroically devoted to the pursuit of holiness and the salvation of souls. Through his intercession and his teaching we ask You to pour out Your blessings on all Your children who seek Your truth, so that all may come to know and love You in the one fold of the Redeemer, our Lord Jesus Christ Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen St John Henry Newman – *Pray for Us*

THE ANGELUS

V. The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary;

R. And she conceived of the Holy Spirit, Hail Mary....

V. Behold the handmaid of the Lord;

R. Be it done unto me according to thy word. Hail Mary...

V. And the Word was made Flesh;

R. And dwelt among us. Hail Mary....

V. Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ. Let us pray

Pour forth, we beseech thee, O Lord, your grace into our hearts, that we to whom the Incarnation of Christ, your son, was made known by the message of an Angel, may by His Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of His Resurrection, through the same Christ our Lord. **R. Amen.** May the divine assistance remain always with us, and may the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. **R. Amen.**

Pope's Mission Statement for September : We pray that we may make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in those young people who are resolutely committed to protecting God's Creation.

Official Family Prayer for World Meeting of Families

God, our Father, we are brothers and sisters in Jesus your Son, One family, in the Spirit of your love. Bless us with the joy of love.

Make us patient and kind, gentle and generous, welcoming to those in need.

Help us to live your forgiveness and peace.

Protect all families with your loving care, especially those for whom we now pray:

[We pause and remember family members and others by name]

Increase our faith, strengthen our hope, keep us safe in your love, make us always grateful for the gift of life that we share.

This we ask, through Christ our Lord. Amen

Mary, mother and guide, pray for us.

Saint Joseph, father and protector, pray for us.

Saints Joachim and Anne, pray for us.

Saints Louis and Zélie Martin, pray for us.

Archbishop's Vision Prayer

Spirit of God,
Descend on me this day.
Grant me the Spirit of joy, to lift me,
The Spirit of hope to inspire me,
The Spirit of love to surround me and
The Spirit of truth to enlighten my path.
Holy Spirit,
I pray for a new outpouring of your grace,
So that I may grow in worship of your name
In love of you in my prayer
And in my actions towards others.
Come Holy Spirit into my life to guide me,
Strengthen and defend me,
So that I may be drawn ever closer to you.
Help me this day and always
To be a channel of grace
In all I say and do
And invite others into relationship with you.
Amen

THE DEEP END – Welcoming the Child

In today's gospel Jesus is instructing those who will follow on from him and carry on his work for future generations. He took a little child and said to the disciples, 'Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.' As we continue our journey through the Season of Creation, we are reminded of Pope Francis' words in Laudato Si - On Care for Our Common Home, where he challenges us to reflect: 'What kind of world do we want to leave to those who come after us, to children who are now growing up?' (Laudato Si, 160). In the context of the environmental crises our world is facing, how are we welcoming the generations to come? Pope Francis does not hold back when referring to the challenges: 'We may well be leaving to coming generations debris, desolation and filth' (LS, 161). We know that climate change and the biodiversity crisis are driving so many problems in our world at present. 'Climate change is a global problem with grave implications: environmental, social, economic, political and for the distribution of goods. It represents one of the principal challenges facing humanity in our day.' (LS, 25). Yet our pace of consumption does not ease. Young people are standing up and calling governments and world leaders to account, rightly concerned about their future.

During this Season of Creation, we must pray for our world, and act. How can we restore our common home and ensure that our world is liveable for the generations who are coming after us? Can your parish explore becoming an Eco-Parish, setting up a care for creation team, turning church grounds in areas which promote biodiversity? There is so much we can do, and no action is too small. We must listen to the cry of the earth and the cry of our young people.

'The one thing we need more than hope is action. Once we start to act, hope is everywhere. So instead of looking for hope, look for action. Then, and only then, hope will come.' - Greta Thunberg.

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