

**Jeremiah 20:10-13**

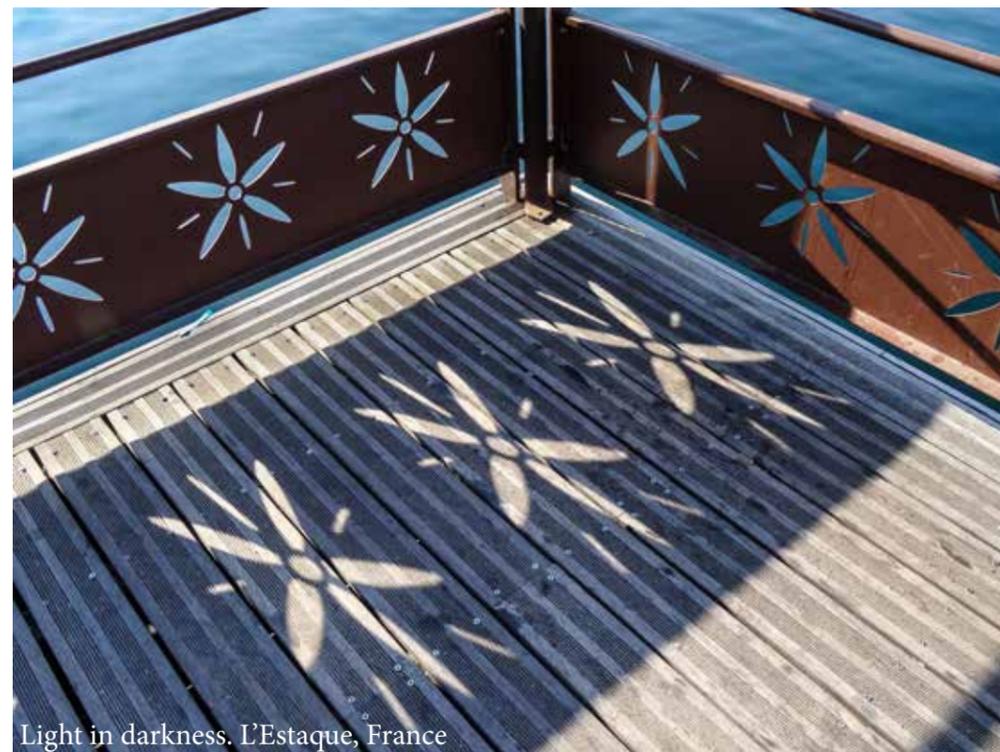
Jeremiah said:  
I hear so many disparaging me,  
“Terror from every side!”  
Denounce him! Let us denounce him!  
All those who used to be my friends  
watched for my downfall, ‘Perhaps he will be seduced  
into error. Then we will master him and take our  
revenge!’  
But the Lord is at my side, a mighty hero;  
my opponents will stumble, mastered,  
confounded by their failure; everlasting,  
unforgettable disgrace will be theirs.  
But you, O Lord of Hosts, you who probe with  
justice, who scrutinise the loins and heart, let me  
see the vengeance you will take on them, for I have  
committed my cause to you.  
Sing to the Lord, praise the Lord, for he has delivered  
the soul of the needy from the hands of evil men.

**Psalms 68:8-10,14,17,33-35**

*In your great love, answer me, O Lord.*

It is for you that I suffer taunts,  
that shame covers my face,  
that I have become a stranger to my brothers,  
an alien to my own mother’s sons.  
I burn with zeal for your house  
and taunts against you fall on me.

This is my prayer to you,  
my prayer for your favour.  
In your great love, answer me, O God,  
with your help that never fails:  
Lord, answer, for your love is kind;  
in your compassion, turn towards me.



Light in darkness. L’Estaque, France

The poor when they see it will be glad  
and God-seeking hearts will revive;  
for the Lord listens to the needy  
and does not spurn his servants in their chains.  
Let the heavens and the earth give him praise,  
the sea and all its living creatures.

**Romans 5:12-15**

Sin entered the world through one man, and through  
sin death, and thus death has spread through the  
whole human race because everyone has sinned. Sin  
existed in the world long before the Law was given.  
There was no law and so no one could be accused of  
the sin of ‘law-breaking’, yet death reigned over all  
from Adam to Moses, even though their sin, unlike  
that of Adam, was not a matter of breaking a law.

Adam prefigured the One to come, but the gift itself  
considerably outweighed the fall. If it is certain that  
through one man’s fall so many died, it is even more  
certain that divine grace, coming through the one  
man, Jesus Christ, came to so many as an abundant  
free gift.

**Gospel Acclamation**

*Alleluia, alleluia!* The Word was made flesh and lived  
among us: to all who did accept him he gave power to  
become children of God. *Alleluia!*

**Matthew 10:26-33**

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: ‘Do not be  
afraid. For everything that is now covered will be  
uncovered, and everything now hidden will be  
made clear. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the  
daylight; what you hear in whispers, proclaim from  
the housetops.

‘Do not be afraid of those who  
kill the body but cannot kill  
the soul; fear him rather who  
can destroy both body and  
soul in hell. Can you not buy  
two sparrows for a penny?  
And yet not one falls to the  
ground without your Father  
knowing. Why, every hair on  
your head has been counted.  
So there is no need to be  
afraid; you are worth more  
than hundreds of sparrows.

‘So if anyone declares himself  
for me in the presence of men,  
I will declare myself for him  
in the presence of my Father  
in heaven. But the one who  
disowns me in the presence  
of men, I will disown in the  
presence of my Father in  
heaven.’



**St Nicholas Catholic Church, Boldmere**

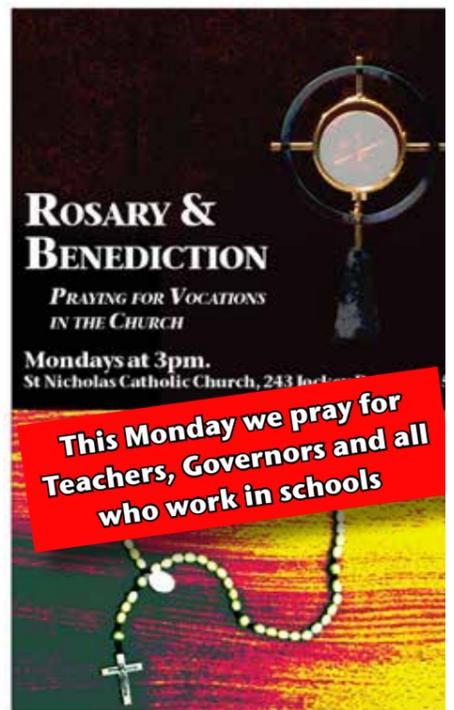
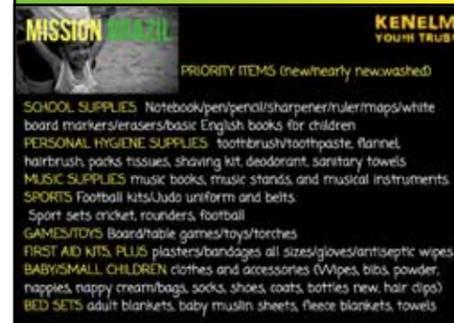
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A group of 25 young adults from the Archdiocese of Birmingham is travelling to the mountains of Brazil this Summer to spend two weeks serving children and families living in the poor settlement of Meio da Serra. They are desperately looking for donations listed below to take with them in their luggage.

**Donations to the project can be left in the porch here before Sunday evening this weekend**



**Holy Days of Obligation**

It is less common these days for us to have Holy Days of Obligation during the week - several were transferred to Sunday some years ago. But we have one this week: the Solemnity of St Peter and Paul. The celebration begins on Wednesday evening and concludes on Thursday.



The language of obligation sits ill with some people, and perhaps with our age: ‘No-one tells me what to do!’ The Church gives voice to the obligation and codifies it in her law, but ‘obligation’ begins with the recognition that there are things without we would not be who we are and who we are called to be, and that we celebrate! Think of it as being something like a parent’s Golden Wedding Anniversary! Feasts such as this week’s and the weekly Sunday define us and keep us faithful. Famously some early Christians valued the obligation to Sunday that they chose martyrdom rather than keep from Sunday Mass. ‘We cannot live without Sunday!’

This Sunday we celebrate the two great Apostles and shapers of the Church in its earliest years. - Peter and Paul. They too paid for their faith with their lives, come and give thanks for the great gift we receive through them.

**Liturgy and Prayer 12th Week in Ordinary Time**

<b>S</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>Sunday of 12th Week in Ordinary Time</b> <i>Psalter Wk 4</i>	1700	<i>Exposition and Sacrament of Reconciliation</i>
			1800	Mass: Tommy Quinlisk RP (Gill)
<b>Su</b>	<b>25</b>		0900	Mass: Mary Devine RIP (Sawbridge)
			1100	Mass: Peace in the world
			1800	<i>Exposition and Evening Prayer</i>
<b>M</b>	<b>26</b>		1000*	Mass:
			1500	<i>Exposition and Rosary: Prayer for Vocations</i>
<b>T</b>	<b>27</b>		1000*	Mass: Mrs Murphy RIP (Heeney)
<b>W</b>	<b>28</b>	STs PETER AND PAUL	1900*	Mass: Ints Robert and Janice Cramp
<b>Th</b>	<b>29</b>		1000*	Mass: Betty Lordan RIP (Brendan)
<b>F</b>	<b>30</b>		1900*	Mass: Fr Gabriel Maguire - Recovery (Hickman)
<b>S</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Sunday of 13th Week in Ordinary Time</b> <i>Psalter Wk 1</i>	1800	Mass: Mrs Murphy (Lordan)
<b>Su</b>	<b>2</b>		0900	Mass: For the people of the Parish
			1100	Mass: Eileen Roberts RIP (Lawlor)

**Morning/Evening Prayer\*** 15 mins before weekday Mass.

**Exposition & Vespers** 2nd & 4th Suns, 6-7pm

**Rosary and Benediction** Mondays at 3pm

**Reconciliation** Sat. 1700-1730 (Exposition until 1740) and by arrangement.

**Baptism, Matrimony, Anointing of the Sick:** by arrangement

**Nourishing prayer at home:** [livegeucharist.wordpress.com/](http://livegeucharist.wordpress.com/)

**Please pray for sick parishioners** including Betty Sawbridge, Ray Finn, Diane Jukes, David Freeman, Tim and Brenda Davies; Leah Burke, Tess Carnero, Joan James, Sarah Johnston, Bridie Moffatt, Bernie Morton, Danuta Evans, Michael McDermott - and also for Fr Gabriel Maguire, our Dean, who is not well. **Please pray for all who have died**, including Hugh Middleton, Brigid Pryor and all whose anniversaries are at this time. **Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, may they rest in peace. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.**

**Next Sunday is 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time.**

Scripture readings: 2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16a / Psalm 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19 / Romans 6:3-4, 8-11 / Matthew 10:37-42

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## Parish

**Peter's Pence Collection** The practice of providing material to support the mission to proclaim the Gospel began with Christianity itself, with the aim of enabling them to engage fully in their ministry and at the same time take care of the most needy among us (cf. Acts of the Apostles 4:34; 11,29).

At the end of the 8th century, when the Anglo-Saxons were converted to Christianity were so attached to the Bishop of Rome that they decided to send an annual contribution to the Holy Father. This was born the "Denarius Sancti Petri" (Alms to Saint Peter), which soon spread throughout Europe. Currently, this collection takes place throughout the Catholic world, mostly on 29 June or on the Sunday closest to the Feast of Saints Peter and Paul. For information on how the Peter's Pence fund supports the Church's mission please go to [www.peterspence.va/](http://www.peterspence.va/)

**Preparing for Confirmation and for First Holy Communion for the children in Year 3 and Year 6 and NOT in Catholic schools.** There is a meeting after the 11am Mass on Sunday for all those who are interested in

### Ministers of the Word.

As previously advised there is a meeting for all readers and ministers of the word in the church at 4pm on Sunday 16th July.

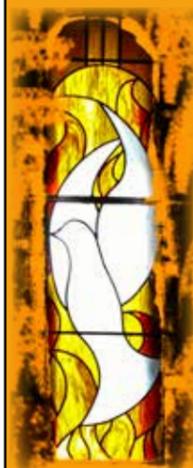
enrolling for preparation for Confirmation (probably in November 2017) and for First Holy Communion (in May 2018)

**Rosary and Benediction** Each Monday from 3-4pm - praying for parishioners and for faithfulness in our various vocations.

**Parish Outing to Harvington Hall** - Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> July. Leaving Boldmere immediately after the 11<sup>am</sup> Mass. Transport is available for all who have signed up as of 23rd June. If you have not signed up and still wish to come, please see Fr Allen

**Travelling Solo** The next Travelling Solo 'outing' is to join the parish outing

## For the sick and those who care for them



A simple and brief service of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, with prayer for the sick and for carers, and the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

Followed by light lunch.

Need help to get to the service? Let Fr Allen know.

**11am on First Fridays.**  
**Next service is on 7<sup>th</sup> July**

**Thank you** to Jo Boyce for coming to to launch the project to develop and strengthen music ministry in our parish.

If you would like to join up as a regular or occasional singer or musician please do complete the form below and hand to one of the leaders of the music groups, or Fr Allen so we can easily let you know when we have our next meeting.

**Supporting our musicians:  
enriching our Liturgy:  
supporting our life in Christ**



### PARISH MUSIC MINISTRY *Expression of Interest*

Please complete this form if you are **interested** in the music for our **Parish Sunday Masses**. Completing this form does not indicate a commitment or obligation at this stage—just an expression of interest...

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Tel: \_\_\_\_\_

Which Mass do you attend?:  Sat 6pm  Sun 9am  Sun 11am

Do you sing?:  Yes  No

What instrument(s) do you play? (If any): \_\_\_\_\_

Have you been involved in Parish Music  Yes  No

Age:  under 18  19-25  26-35  36-45  46-55  Over 55

Availability?:  Weekly  Twice a month  Monthly  Easter/Christmas etc.

to Harvington Hall on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> July. *Please note spaces are only guaranteed for those who have already signed up.* The next meeting after that will be after the 11am Mass on 6th August. All who 'travel alone' - single, the divorced or separated, widows and widowers - are welcome.

**Baptism Preparation.** The next preparation programme begins on **Sat 8 July** from 11-12noon, in the Benedict Room. Parents should see Fr Allen before hand and complete an application form.

**St Nicholas School Fete. 1<sup>st</sup> July, 12 noon.** If you wish to run an 'external' stall please contact the school.

### Planning to get married?

A reminder that a minimum of six month's notice is required for those who intend to marry in the paperwork. Giving 12 months notice, makes it much easier to take part in a marriage preparation course etc.

**Parish Scripture Study Group;** Next meeting: Weds

### Secondary Transfer - Intake September 2018

There will be a meeting at Bishop Walsh School on Monday 10th July at 7p.m. in the School hall for the parents of pupils currently in Year 5 wishing to select Bishop Walsh for their child in September, 2018



## Ready to give a hand?

Tabor House, Birmingham's only permanent night shelter, is opening in September 2017

Could you help as a:

Hospitality volunteer (shift based) to help guests feel welcome

Shift leader to oversee the Hospitality volunteers

Volunteer mentor to work one-to-one with guests

To find out more, come along to the Open Evening on Thursday 13 July, 6pm-9pm, St Anne's Catholic Church, 96 Bradford Street, Birmingham B12 0PY or call Christy Acton on 01675 434064



### Tea and Coffee after Mass

in Carpenter's Arms (access from right side of church), after 9 and 11am Masses.

Come and meet with other members of the parish and help build up the community of the parish.



### Pray with Pope Francis

The Pope's prayer intention this month is:

That national leaders may firmly commit themselves to ending the arms trade, which victimizes so many innocent people.

To find the Pope's other current prayer intentions please visit <http://www.apostleshipalprayer.org/>



## Preparing children of the parish who are not at St Nicholas School for First Holy Communion & Confirmation



- The parish celebration of Confirmation for children in Year 6 will probably this year be in November of this year.
- The parish celebrations of First Holy Communion with children in Year 3 will be in May 2018

To help with the preparation of the programme parents are asked to complete an application form and bring it to **a meeting with Fr Allen at 6.30pm on Wednesday 28th June** (this will be followed by the Vigil Mass of St Peter and Paul (a Holy Day of Obligation).

church is followed by tea and sandwiches.

### Diocese

Have you bookmarked the Diocesan website? <http://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/> or do you follow their Tweet feed: @RCBirmingham

### Other

**Celebrate Birmingham** is a lively faith-filled weekend (1-2 July) for the whole family. Inspiring talks, children streams, Masses, Reconciliation, workshops. For more information see leaflets at the back of church or go to [www.celebrateconference.org](http://www.celebrateconference.org) Make bookings on website.

### New readers and new ministers of Holy Communion needed!

It would be lovely to add to our team of readers. There is a meeting at 4pm on Monday 26th June for any young people - present year 4 and above to explain what is involved and to offer some first training. 'Older' people who would like to join the team are invited to contact Fr Allen and come to the next readers' meeting which is on Sunday 16th July at 4pm in the church.

Those who are aged 16 or older, and who have been confirmed, are invited to volunteer for service in the parish as a Minister of Holy Communion. If you would be interested in assisting in this way please see Fr Allen as soon as possible or come along to the training session being held after the 7pm Mass on Weds 5th July.

## Take fresh heart

A new parish group to which all are warmly invited who are bereaved and all who suffer from loss (eg children leaving home, divorce, losing a job) who bereaved or grieving are.

1st Mondays in the Benedict Room at 2pm for a cup of tea and cake - and chance to talk and listen; to receive support and encouragement, and to give support and encouragement.

Next meeting is Monday 3rd July

**through your listening and your care**

**You Can Help Your Marriage** – Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. This programme has helped 10s of 1000s of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. email [info@retrouvaille.org.uk](mailto:info@retrouvaille.org.uk); call or text 0788 729 6983 or visit [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk)

### Children's Liturgy of the Word

A morning to introduce the role of leaders of Children's Liturgy of the Word - and to begin to prepare the Liturgies for the autumn.

This form of Liturgy is a valuable way in which our parish can help children from Reception to Year 2 to learn how to pray the Liturgy of the Word.

If you would like to help us reintroduce then please come along to the Benedict Room on Saturday 15th July for session which runs from 10 to 12noon.



### Would your child like to join the team of parish servers?

Any child who has made their first Holy Communion is warmly invited to come to a first training for servers which will be held at 10am on Saturday 8th July



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