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Diocesan E-Newsletter Please go to www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk. Scroll down the home page and click the yellow box to confirm 'I would like to receive the Diocesan Newsletter!'

St Paul's School for Girls seeks a part-time chaplain. www.stpaulgl.bham.sch

Whistleblowing Policy Birmingham Diocesan Trust (the Archdiocese of Birmingham) has launched a new policy to help individuals to raise with confidence and without having to worry about being victimised, discriminated against or disadvantaged in any way as a result any serious concerns (including safeguarding issues) they may have about post-holders, colleagues, their employer, or with how the Trust operates. The policy is at: <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/policies>
The Diocese is also a member of Protect, formerly Public Concern at Work - who are leading experts in whistleblowing. They provide confidential advice to individuals regarding whistleblowing, visit: <https://protect-advice.org.uk/>

School Places at Holy Cross Catholic Primary School, Walmley Some school places available from September 2019 (Early Years (Reception), Year 1 or Year 2). Interested? Contact the school office – 0121 675 2158.

Pilgrimage to Harvington Hall. 1st Sept. Details in porch.

Parish Book Club:

Stock-piling tins ready for Brexit? Come to a book club meeting with a difference. Read the book **and bring a dish to share.**



Next meeting of the Book Club is at 8pm on Monday 29th July in the parish house.

Bishop Walsh Catholic School

- An Induction Evening** for parents of children joining the School in Sept 2019. At BW, 6.30pm Weds 3rd July
- An Information Evening** for parents applying for a place at Bishop Walsh Catholic School for Sept 2020. At BW school on Mon 8th July at 6:30pm

Applications for Bishop Walsh & St Nicholas Schools
 Families applying for a school place for September 2020 who believe they meet the new 'practicing Catholic criteria should speak with Fr Allen after any Sunday Mass between now and the end of July to request a signed Certificate of Catholic Practice.

Other

41st Annual Justice and Peace Conference 26-28 July 2019, Swanwick. <https://bit.ly/2WfZLuR>

A Lifeline for Marriages Is your marriage stressed, unloving, cold? Do you want to improve your communication? Have you separated, divorced, or are you thinking of doing so? Do you want to try again? The Retrouvaille programme may be what you need! Info from 0788 729 6983 or www.retrouvaille.org.uk

Birmingham Celebrate 2019: Theme "Be strong and courageous! For the Lord your God is with you wherever you go" (Joshua 1:9). Family charismatic conference at St Mary's Oscott College on 6.7 July. The conference caters for all ages with a separate programme for children. To find out more and book a place please visit <https://www.celebrateconference.org/birmingham> or call Lisa : 01564 772238

St Nicholas School: Celebrating 50 Years



Archbishop Bernard is coming to celebrate Mass with St Nicholas School at 3.45pm on Tuesday July 9. The church will be very full with attendance from pupils, teachers and past teachers, and a limited number of parents with children presently in the school. Because of this all seats are reserved and attendance is restricted to those invited by the school.

Thank you to Mr Emery who has reserved 10 spaces for parishioners who have played an active part in the life of the school. If you would like to be considered for one of these places, please write a note to Fr Allen confirming your past/present role in the school.

First Holy Communion Preparation 2019-20

The draft timetables for next year's First Holy Communion programme are now available in the porch. There are two timetables. One is the whole parish programme - for all families and children; and the other only for children not at St Nicholas School, who will come to the Saturday morning classes.

Application forms for the programme will be available at the parents' meetings on 7 / 9 September.

One difference in the programme this year is (taking the place of the series of parents' meetings with Fr Allen) there will be - for parents - one introductory meeting and then a series of small group meetings, for their own discussion and reflection. These sessions are designed to support parents' own continuing faith formation, and support to one another at this important time for them and their families. There will be more details regarding these meetings in September. *In the meantime it would be very helpful if five or six parents would volunteer to lead these groups. Leading a group might sound daunting - but it really simply means making sure the group starts on time and finishes on time, and stays on task! The resources for each meeting are for the group as a whole to deal with... The big advantage of leading a group is that the leader chooses when and where it meets!*

Meetings can take place most anywhere - in the Benedict and McEvilly rooms, or in a local coffee shop or pub, or in the leader's home - and at a time of the leader's choice. Groups will be for five or six people. Leaders choose the where and when, and others will get the chance to choose from the available groups.

A chance for parents to deepen and develop their faith and still better support their children as they take the next steps toward full participation in the life of the Church.

Whole Community Catechesis

Step One: Listen to the Word

As you hear the story of the Lord's question to his disciples, what words or phrases strike you? What in this reading touches your heart?

Step Two: Look into Your Life

- Question for Children:** How would you describe Jesus to someone who doesn't know him?
- Question for Youth:** What does it mean to you that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God? What does it mean to your friends?
- Question for Adults:** What is it about Jesus that makes you want to be a disciple? What about your life singles you out as a disciple of Jesus?



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Parish

Retiring Collection today for Peter's Pence (The proceeds go to support the work of the Holy Father)

Teas & Coffees in Benedict Room after Mass on Sunday morning. All welcome.

Jesus and living faithfully. Tuesday evening sessions for those wishing to explore our Catholic faith - perhaps with a view to joining the Catholic Church. Next meeting Tuesday 2 July in the Benedict Room at 7.30pm. All welcome.

Preparation for Baptism of Infants The next preparation programme starts on Saturday 11th Sept from 11am-12 noon in the Benedict Room. Please Fr Allen beforehand for an application form.

Rosary for Vocations. The Rosary group meets in church on Mondays at 3pm to pray for vocations. All welcome. If you cannot attend why not pray the Rosary at the same time but at home.

St Nicholas Primary School summer fete on Sat 6 July, 1pm to 3.30pm. Fabulous attractions including tombolas, pocket money stall, BBQ, Bar, raffles plus much more! It's also an opportunity to celebrate the school's 50th anniversary and on the day the school will bury a time-capsule to mark the occasion! The school will also have a special display telling the story of its first 50 years.

Scripture group 7.30pm, Mon 10th June in Benedict Rm to discuss Chapters 15, 16 & 17 of Luke's Gospel. All welcome.

Travelling Solo lunch All who 'travel solo in life' for whatever reason are warmly invited to meet in Benedict Room for coffee after the 11am Mass Sunday July 7th then join the group for a pub lunch.

St Nicholas World Development Group will be giving having their annual appeal at Mass on 6/ 7 July.

Church Cleaning Can you spare one hour a month to help with cleaning the Church? At present four teams clean the Church, but because of ill health one teams is down to one person. That team could do with one or two new recruits. If you are available to help, please contact either Fr Allen or Mick Doogan on 0121-439 9684. Thank you.

Diocese

St Edmund Campion Catholic School and Sixth Form Centre have vacancies for 3 Administrative Assistants (Grade 2) and a Pastoral Support Assistant (Grade 3). Closing date is 2 July 2019. Application Form and details available on the school website at www.stedcamp.bham.sch.uk or by contacting Mary Finnegan, PA to Headteacher, on 0121 464 7040.

Young People's Summer Camp 2019 Aug 11-15. Experience a life-changing encounter with God in a way like never before through powerful moments of

Sprucing up the Church

Thank you to our regular weekday cleaners who do an excellent job keeping the church clean. However it would be good to give a deep clean to church, porch and sacristies in preparation for the visit of Archbishop Bernard.



Can you spare an hour at 9am on Saturday July 6? You will be very welcome! Brings dusters and polish!

Church with a purpose...

If you would like to be part of a conversation about the life, purpose and future of our parish, ie be part of a **New Evangelisation** reflection group, please be sure to get a copy of the book *Divine Renovation* from Fr Allen and begin reading! Please read chapter 1 in readiness for the first meeting of the group which will take place at 7.30pm on Mondays 8, 15 and 22 July (with a month for quiet reflection and prayer before three follow-up meetings in September/October.)

Masses Week 13 in Ordinary Time

S	29	St Peter and Paul Psalter Wk 1	1700 1800	Exposition and Sacrament of Confession Betty Sawbridge RD (Pocock)
Su	30		0900 1100	Michael Ward RIP Anniv (Ward) Sheila Duckworth RIP
M	1		1000* 1500	Brigid Barron RIP (Barron) Exposition and Rosary for Vocations
T	2		1000*	Victims of Cyclone in Africa
W	3	St Thomas, Apostle	1000*	James and Gerard Walker (McNally)
Th	4			
F	5		1000 1100 1900	Mass with St Nicholas School - all welcome Exposition and Anointing of the Sick Margaret Grealish RD (McDermott)
S	6	14th Sunday in Ordinary Tim Psalter Wk 2	1700 1800	Exposition and Sacrament of Confession Betty Sawbridge RD (Ord)
Su	7		0900 1100	Ints of Fr Gabriel Maguire (Kenny) For the Parish

Scripture readings for Mass next Sunday
 Is 66:10-14c / Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20 / Gal 6:14-18 / Lk 10:1-12, 17-20

Morning/Evening Prayer 20 mins before weekday Masses, as indicated above *
Exposition: & Vespers 2nd and 4th Suns of month, 6-7pm; **& Rosary** Mon at 3pm

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

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

Nourishing prayer at home: liveingeucharist.wordpress.com/

Please pray for sick parishioners including Michael O'Brien; Joan James; Thomas Stevenson; Peter & Olwyn Foster; Lea Burke, Margaret Stroud and Peggy Gallagher. **Please pray** for Austin McTaff, David Finnegan, Tony Prescott and all whose anniversaries of death are at this time: **Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, may they rest in peace.**

NB To include names on the list of sick parishioners please complete the form available in the porch and pass to Fr Allen so we meet the requirements of current Data Protection legislation.

Introductory Rites

Entrance Song

Into a world of darkness since the fall,
new light had dawned, two champions heard the call
Peter, the rock, and Paul once known as Saul,
Alleluia, alleluia.

First Peter stared in wonder at the sight
Jesus, transfigured, clothed in glorious light,
then heard God praise his Son from heaven's height.

Beside a desert road a different sign,
Saul saw a blinding light in splendour shine
and Jesus told him, "Those you hurt are mine!"

On each, a lifelong mission was conferred,
'Go tell the nations all that you have heard
of God made known through Christ, th'Incarnate Word.

Their work accomplished, called to their reward,
one crucified, one martyred by the sword,
their deaths bore witness to the risen Lord:
Alleluia, alleluia.

Gloria

*Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.*

We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen, amen, amen.

The Liturgy of the Word

Acts 12:1-11

King Herod started persecuting certain members of the Church. He beheaded James the brother of John, and when he saw that this pleased the Jews he decided to arrest Peter as well. This was during the days of Unleavened Bread, and he put Peter in prison, assigning four squads of four soldiers each to guard him in turns. Herod meant to try Peter in public after the end of Passover week. All the time Peter was under guard the Church prayed to God for him unremittingly.

On the night before Herod was to try him, Peter was sleeping between two soldiers, fastened with double chains, while guards kept watch at the main entrance to the prison. Then suddenly the angel of the Lord stood there, and the cell was filled with light. He tapped Peter on the side and woke him. 'Get up!' he said 'Hurry!' –

and the chains fell from his hands. The angel then said, 'Put on your belt and sandals.' After he had done this, the angel next said, 'Wrap your cloak round you and follow me.' Peter followed him, but had no idea that what the angel did was all happening in reality; he thought he was seeing a vision. They passed through two guard posts one after the other, and reached the iron gate leading to the city. This opened of its own accord; they went through it and had walked the whole length of one street when suddenly the angel left him. It was only then that Peter came to himself. 'Now I know it is all true' he said. 'The Lord really did send his angel and has saved me from Herod and from all that the Jewish people were so certain would happen to me.'

Psalm 33(34):2-9

I will bless the Lord at all times,
his praise always on my lips;
in the Lord my soul shall make its boast.
The humble shall hear and be glad.

Glorify the Lord with me.
Together let us praise his name.
I sought the Lord and he answered me;
from all my terrors he set me free.

Look towards him and be radiant;
let your faces not be abashed.
This poor man called, the Lord heard him
and rescued him from all his distress.

The angel of the Lord is encamped
around those who revere him, to rescue them.
Taste and see that the Lord is good.
He is happy who seeks refuge in him.

2 Timothy 4:6-8,17-18

My life is already being poured away as a libation, and the time has come for me to be gone. I have fought the good fight to the end; I have run the race to the finish; I have kept the faith; all there is to come now is the crown of righteousness reserved for me, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that Day; and not only to me but to all those who have longed for his Appearing.

The Lord stood by me and gave me power, so that through me the whole message might be proclaimed for all the pagans to hear; and so I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from all evil attempts on me, and bring me safely to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! You are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it. *Alleluia!*

Matthew 16:13-19

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say he is John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he said 'who do you say I am?' Then Simon Peter spoke up, 'You are the Christ,' he said 'the Son of the living God.' Jesus replied, 'Simon son

of Jonah, you are a happy man! Because it was not flesh and blood that revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. So I now say to you: You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven: whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.'

The Prayer of the Faithful

We pray to the Lord.
Through our lives and by our prayers,
Your kingdom come.

The Creed

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,

At the following words, up to and including 'and became man', all bow.
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

Offertory Song

All that I am, all that I do,
all that I'll ever have, I offer now to you.
Take and sanctify these gifts for your honour, Lord.
Knowing that I love and serve you is enough reward.
All that I am, all that I do,
all that I'll ever have I offer now to you.

All that I dream, all that I pray,
all that I'll ever make, I give to you today.
Take and sanctify these gifts for your honour, Lord.
Knowing that I love and serve you is enough reward.

All that I am, all that I do,
all that I'll ever have I offer now to you.

The Eucharistic Prayer

Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest.

Memorial Acclamation

When we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim your death O Lord,
until you come again, until you come again

Communion Rite

Agnus Dei

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us. (x2)
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.

Communion Song

Be still for the presence of the Lord
the Holy One is here.
Come, bow before him now,
with reverence and fear.
In Him no sin is found,
we stand on holy ground.
Be still for the presence of the Lord,
the Holy one is here.

Be still for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around;
He burns with holy fire,
with splendour He is crowned.
How awesome is the sight,
our radiant King of Light!
Be still, for the glory of the Lord
is shining all around.

Be still for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place.
He comes to cleanse and heal,
to minister His grace.
No work too hard for Him,
in faith receive from Him;
Be still for the power of the Lord
is moving in this place.

Concluding Rites

Final Song

Fight the good fight with all thy might!
Christ is thy strength, and Christ thy right;
Lay hold on life, and it shall be
Thy joy and crown eternally.

Run the straight race through God's good grace,
Lift up thine eyes, and seek His face;
Life with its way before us lies,
Christ is the path, and Christ the prize.

Cast care aside, lean on thy Guide;
His boundless mercy will provide;
Trust, and thy trusting soul shall prove
Christ is its life, and Christ its love.