



THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Jesus Christ never once praised the talents of the intellect, but He always praised those of the heart. The intellect belongs to the devil as well, who is the most evil being; but not the heart. People appreciate more a good heart than a strong intellect. Therefore even in the world powerful minds are considered dangerous and have often many enemies. People with a good heart are loved by everyone. (Antonio Rosmini)

Next Week's Gospel Reading Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (21st January 2018)

Gospel – Mark 1:14-20

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news." As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I will make you fish for people." And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

Prayer for the Parish -

Almighty God, Who governs all things in heaven and earth, mercifully hear the supplications of your people. Grant to our parish all things needful for its spiritual welfare and, through the guidance of Your Holy Spirit, may we be of one heart and mind in the fold of Your Holy Church. To the honour and glory of Your Name. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer for Vocation -

O God, you are the Lord of the harvest. We pray to you that men and women may hear the call of Christ your Son, to work in your vineyard. May they answer the call generously. May we, with them, serve you faithfully all our days so that your faithful people may grow in numbers and favour in your sight. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

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Week starting 13th January 2018 **Second Sunday in Ordinary Time** IN THE PARISH

Sunday Collections - Thank you for last Sunday's offertory collection.

Sunday - Rev. Peter Beresford will be with us on Sunday at 10am Mass prior to Christian Unity Sunday. He is a Minister in the Anglican Church. We welcome Rev. Peter and his wife to our parish.

HCPT Appeal - Victoria Darby will be making an appeal at all Masses this weekend for recruiting volunteers to Lourdes Pilgrimage in March.

Restoration Funds - total raised to date
Church Spire Restoration – an update on our fundraising efforts. We hope to finish the fundraising when we hit £100,000. Work commences on Monday to fix the angels wings back on, and hopefully this will be the end of the work. There needs to be an ongoing plan in place to keep our beautiful church for many years which I would like you to think and consider. There are now repair works needed on our South Wall, Stations of the Cross, Chapel Ceiling, Lighting inside the Church, Boiler, Organ, and also Hibbert's. You can still sponsor Half a brick for £50, a Full brick for £100, or sponsor one Angel Wing for £750. The name of the sponsor can be added to the brick. **We need** as many Sponsors as possible. Thank you all for your continued help.

Church Organ – It has been quite a few years ago since we had our first recommendation for repairs on our organ, (dating back to Fr. Philip Sainter time, by Cousins) Two months ago, we received an estimate for repair, it came in at around £49,500+VAT, this is not including a Piston system at a cost of £4,500. We would need at least three quotes before undertaking this work. If any of you would like to look at the quote, please contact Fr. Tom. This is for your information.

Liturgy Group - : meeting this Wednesday (17th) at 7pm in Gentili House.

Quiz Night – is on Friday (19th) at 7pm in Hibbert's Hall. Ticket's £10 per person, which includes food. (A bar is available.) Teams of 6. Ticket's available after Mass, or from the office.

UCM – meeting after 10 a.m. Mass on Monday 29th January in the Coach House for Coffee followed by Lunch in the Griffin at 12 Noon.

Confirmation 2018 - Parents who are planning to bring forward their children for this years Confirmation are requested to pick up their applications from the parish office. If your children are attending St. Marie's Primary School, applications are available from the school. Parents meeting is on the 24th January and the enrolment Mass is on the 28th Sunday at 10am Mass. The Confirmation date is on the Friday the 29th June at 7pm by Bishop William Kenny.

Christian Unity Taize Service - will be held at St. Andrew's Church on Sunday 21st January at 7:30 p.m. If anyone would like to help with the singing and music there is a rehearsal this Sunday (14th) at St Andrews Church 3 p.m. - 5 p.m. Please bring your instrument if you have one.

Welcome!

Have you joined us for the first time?

Please complete a card from the main porch and hand it to the clergy.

Come and meet other parishioners for coffee or tea in the Parish Hall after Sunday morning Mass

NB Please remember to inform the Parish Office if you move house or change your contact details.

Parish Office open from 09.00 – 12.30 on Tuesday Wednesday Thursday and Friday

IN THE PARISH continued...

Pastoral Care Project - the Archdiocese has released the latest version of 'My Funeral Mass' document, it is available in the porch. There has always been confusion with regard to funeral Mass arrangements as most people do not have much idea, how to organise one. It is a very helpful guide and please consider using them.

St Marie's 500 Club - unless you have a standing order, it is time to renew or join for 2018, so please leave cash or cheque [to St Marie's (Rugby) 500 Club] in the office. Cost still £12 per number for all the monthly draws for 2018. Why not join in? Any queries to Margaret on 541705.

Family Congress - the World meeting of Families is taking place in Dublin from Tuesday 21st to Sunday 26th August. If you would like to participate please contact Lianne Pap (Family Ministry)

lianne.pap@rc-birmingham.org Our deanery will be represented by the Pelloquin Family.

Eucharistic Congress - Eucharistic Pilgrimage and Congress will be held in Liverpool from Friday 7th to Sunday 9th September. Our deanery and parish will be represented by Anne Ormsby and Primary school teacher Alison Brunye Thank you. Please see the notice board at the back of church for further details of all these events.

Oak Street - This is another project we need to undertake, very soon. The state of the road is very poor. It is for the use of the parish and the school. I need the help of volunteers to speak with me to the school, parents and all others who use the road, to establish ways and means to look after the road in the future, and that it does not become a burden on the few. If you can help with this project please speak to Fr. Tom.

Job Opportunities – at Maryvale Institute, Kingstanding Birmingham

1. Marketing Manager, Flexible 3 days a week, to start asap. (12 month contract) with potential to extend,

2. Head of Library and Learning Resources, Flexible 3 days a week. Permanent Post. Please see notice board for further information.

Sing Together - Natural Voice Singing Group is starting this Monday (15th) in Hibbert's Hall (£5 taster session) from 9:45 -11a.m with tea and coffee afterwards. Please see details on notice board or you can contact: aperrymusic@hotmail.co.uk

DIARY FOR THE WEEK 13th January - 20th January 2018

SATURDAY 13th January – Vigil for Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Baptism at 11.30 a.m. of Eric Antonio Maduro

Confessions 5.30 to 5.55 p.m.

Mass at 6.00 p.m. for Diego D'Souza R.I.P.

SUNDAY 14th January – Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass at 10 a.m. for Stefan Peter R.I.P. and at

6.00 p.m. for Michael Hare R.I.P.

Confessions from 9.30 a.m. - 9.55 a.m.

Polish Mass at 12.30 p.m.

Coffee/Tea after 10 a.m. Mass in the Parish Hall

Parish Shop open in Coach House after 10 a.m Mass

MONDAY 15th January - Feria in Ordinary Time

Mass at 10 a.m. for Paul John Hobley R.I.P. and at

7.00 p.m. for Peggy Parish R.I.P.

Adoration 8 a.m. – 7 p.m. in the church. (Morning Prayer at 8:50 a.m.)

TUESDAY 16th January - Feria in Ordinary Time

Mass at 10 a.m. for Dennis Farmer R.I.P.

WEDNESDAY 17th January – Memorial of St Anthony

Mass at 10.00 a.m. for Eimear Mateer R.I.P.

THURSDAY 18th January - Feria in Ordinary Time

Mass at 10 a.m. for Well Being of William Hearne

Choir Practice - 7:45 p.m. in Church.

FRIDAY 19th January - Feast of St Wulstan

Mass at 10 a.m. for Well Being of Emma Cooper

11a.m Funeral Service for Eleanor Flynn R.I.P.

SATURDAY 20th January - Feria in Ordinary Time

Confessions 10 to 11a.m. and from 5.30 to 5.55p.m.

Mass at 9:30 a.m. for All Parishioners

Mass at 6 p.m. for Well Being of Mary Moran

✠ PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO ARE SICK: ✠

Tom Donnelly, Elsie Johnson, Jade Lambert, DeeDee Flint, Piotr Fior, John Ritter, Kerry Livesey, Paul Kelly, Patrick Hannifin, Baby Freddie Fereday, Rose Loveridge, Bert Ritossa, Lenny and Marie Niner, William Hearne Alfredo Valderroma, Octoivio Granja.

✠ RECENTLY DIED ✠

Fr Thomas Hewitt

✠ FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES FALL AROUND THIS TIME: ✠

Michael Collins, Anna Medhurst, Teresa Bright, David Magerison, Fr. Anthony Baxter, David Sargent, Agnes Coffey, Daniel Coffey, Donald Fletcher, Gordon Adcock, Zygmunt Krause, Marieanne Palmer, Mary Graham.
We welcome into our Christian community Eric Antonio Maduro who is being baptised this Saturday.