

# *Blessed Robert Grissold Catholic Church, Balsall Common*

*In the Archdiocese of Birmingham. Mass Time Sunday 9.30am.*

## **Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2017 – Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*'Anyone who does not take his cross is not worthy of me. Anyone who welcomes you welcomes me'*

**Pope's Prayer Intention: Lapsed Christians** - 'That our brothers and sisters who have strayed from the faith, through our prayer and witness to the Gospel, may rediscover the merciful closeness of the Lord and the beauty of the Christian life.'

**Father Frank:** Regarding discipleship and following Jesus, Christ calls us to radical commitment to him. The cost is great it demands our all but the reward is inexpressibly greater. We cannot follow him in our own strength. He leads us, he empowers us, he gives us the strength to follow so that we might increasingly immerse ourselves in that incomparable love of his which was revealed in his Passion and Cross - a love that is stronger than death and the love we were created to know and share in forever.

**Collection 25 June:** Loose plate £65.40, Envelopes £101.00, Standing Orders £355.00, **Total £521.40.**

**Collection for Peter Pence 25 June- £133.00.**

**Second collection:** There will be a Second collection next Sunday for the **Apostleship of the Sea.**

**Saints and Feast Days of the Week:** St. Thomas (3<sup>rd</sup>), St. Elizabeth (4<sup>th</sup>), St. Maria Goretti (6<sup>th</sup>), Our Lady (8<sup>th</sup>).

**Churches Together Youth Group:** Youth Group meets tonight at our Church, 6.30pm to 7.45 pm. This is open to all Secondary School Children, as well as those in Year 6. All welcome.

### **Meditations before the Blessed Sacrament on Wednesday evenings**

Meditations on the Eucharist, Church and mission continue after Mass on Wednesdays. This Wednesday we explore the relationship between the Eucharist, the Church and the world. This is a wonderful opportunity to deepen our knowledge and love of Christ and his Church and to find peace in the presence of Our Lord in the Sacrament of the Altar. All welcome.

**Baptism:** We pray for Jack Power who is to be baptised here today after Mass. May God bless, guide and protect Jack, his parents and godparents.

**First Friday** On the first Friday of every month it is customary to celebrate a votive Mass of the Sacred Heart. We can still pray the prayer of Consecration to the Sacred Heart daily and at the monthly Votive Masses. I have printed the prayer below.

***Prayer:** I give and consecrate to the Heart of our Lord Jesus Christ, my whole life, all my actions, my trials, my sufferings, devoting every portion of my being to loving, honouring, and glorifying him, to working for his love alone, renouncing with all my heart whatever may be displeasing to him. I take you, then, O Sacred Heart, for the one object of my love, the protector of my life, the pledge of my salvation, the remedy of my inconstancy, the redeemer of all my faults, and my sure refuge in the hour of death. O Heart of all goodness, be my justification before God the Father, and shield me from the effects of his just anger. O Heart, overflowing with love, I place all my confidence in you, for I dread my own weakness, while I hope everything from your goodness. Destroy in me whatever displeases you or goes against your will. May pure love of you be so deeply imprinted in my heart that I may never forget you nor be separated from you. I implore you by all your love that my name be graven upon you. May it be my happiness to live and die as your slave. Through Christ our Lord. Amen*

**Free training for Catechists:** The Catenians are offering to cover the fees of training to be a Catechist in the parish. Once trained you would prepare candidates for First Communion and Confirmation. Please contact Fr Frank if you are interested.

**Rosary Rally:** There will be a Rosary Rally on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> August commencing with Mass at 2.00pm at Mount St Bernard's Abbey, Leicestershire. Please see the poster in the porch for further details.

**Volunteers Wanted: Tabor House, Birmingham's only permanent night shelter for homeless people**, is opening in September. Could you help as – **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. Please come along to an open evening on Thursday 13 July, 6-9pm, at St Anne's Catholic Church, 96 Bradford Street, Birmingham B12 0PY. Contact Christy Acton on 01675 434064 to find out more. Also see Father Frank for further details.

**Get-together:** This Wednesday 5 July. Meet at BRG at 10-30am. for a visit to Box Trees Craft Centre. Small shops and cafe, plus spinning demo at about 11.30.

**Millennium Breakfast:** Our next breakfast No.63 will be on Sunday 16 July after Mass.

**Your prayers are asked for those who are sick and their carers:** Monica Pillow, Lily Mae Carr, Mary Keane, Consuelo Ramon, Denise Hamilton, Sister Maria Goretti, Joseph Lockington, Brian Kenny, Canon Peter Taylor, Kevin Lambert, John Aitken, Helen Hopkins, Heather O'Connell, Vincent Webb, Dave & Ian, Teresa Petropoulos, Ian Gibbs, Frances Carroll, Sarah & Martin Dunne, Cat Patton-Kennedy, Beryl Mound, Father Pat Sayles, Jonathan Ridler, Sister Teresa Moore, Kevin O'Donnell, Mary Murray, Andy Rudd, Marjorie Lee, Anne Santos, Louis Loughran, Linda Hatton, Leonardo Byrne, Ellie Clarke, Lucy Knifton, Jim Slattery, Bernard Hammond, Terry Fairbrother, Maureen O'Gorman, Packie McArdle.

**Anniversaries:** Chris Green, Michael Chesshire, Merlyn Foxen.

### This Week's Liturgy and Rota Arrangements

Date & Time: Day:	2 <sup>nd</sup> July – 9.30am Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	9 <sup>th</sup> July – 9.30am Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Celebrant: Intention:	Father Frank Tony McAtamney (RIP)	Father Frank
Altar Servers:	Tom, Nathan & James	Matthew, Daniel, Jacob
Wardens:	Godfrey Chesshire, Monica Green, & Ann Crossley	Kevin & Sue McGovern, & Madeleine Peat
Readers:	Godfrey Chesshire & Dominic O'Brien	John & Louise Perry
Eucharistic Ministers:	Carol Beck, Nuala Fulham & Eileen Selby	Stefan Hunka, John McLellan & Madeleine Peat
Counting:	Veronica & Skuli Thorvardardson	Ciaran McSorley & Bernard Hammond
Tea & Coffee:	Ann Stewart & Val Timms	Bridget Harrison & Ann Ostler
Cleaning:	Ann Stewart & Val Timms	Chris & Margaret Burleigh
Flowers:	Grace Brennan	Kathy Jones
Children's Liturgy:	Celine & Claire	Louise & Kathryn
Music:	Kathryn Green	Instrumental Group

**This week's services**

Date:	Tues. 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Wed. 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> July	Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> July
Time:	10.00 am Mass	7.00 pm Mass followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Meditations and Benediction	10.00 am Mass	10.00 am Mass Votive Mass of the Sacred Heart of Jesus
Intention:	Private Intention	(Private Intention)		

**Parish Room:** *MUST be booked with Louise Perry* – Tel **01676 533357**.

**Contributions for the Bulletin:** Please send items to John Perry at [jlgperry@btinternet.com](mailto:jlgperry@btinternet.com) or call on **01676 533357** by 7.00pm on Wednesday.

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