

# *Blessed Robert Grissold Catholic Church, Balsall Common*

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

## **Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2017 – Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*'If he listens to you, you have won back your Brother.'*

**Pope's Prayer Intention: Artists** – "That our parishes, animated by a missionary spirit, may be places where faith is communicated and charity is seen."

**Father Frank:** In the second reading today St. Paul tells us: "Love is the one thing that cannot hurt your neighbour" And Jesus, in the Gospel says, "If your brother does something wrong, go and have it out with him." We should remember that correcting others is a delicate business requiring discernment - we can easily expect too much too soon. People need time and space to grow - and that means time and space to grow through their mistakes. Jesus was blunt, forceful and highly critical in correcting the Pharisees but was patient, with hardly a word of criticism, in his dealings with sinners and humble folk. He wanted to correct all of these, not to hurt them, and he accomplished this because he worked from a discernment informed by love for all people. "Love is the one thing that cannot hurt your neighbour."

**Collection 3<sup>rd</sup> September:** Loose plate £78.18, Envelopes £80.00, Standing Orders £370.00, **Total £528.18.**

**Second Collection:** Today there will be a Second Collection for the Catholic Education Service.

**Second Collection next Sunday:** for Home Mission Sunday.

**Saints and Feast Days of the Week:** St. John Chrysostom (13th), Our Lady of Sorrows (15th), Ss. Cornelius and Cyprian (16<sup>th</sup>).

**Meditations before the Blessed Sacrament on Wednesday evenings:** Meditations on the Eucharist, Church and mission continue after Mass on Wednesdays. This Wednesday we reflect on the link between the Mass and Christ's sacrifice of love and the practical implications of this for us as Church. 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.

**Talks and discussions on the Faith:** A series of talks and discussions on the faith begin this Tuesday 12th September and continue until the end of Advent. We will meet in the church hall, on Tuesday, after Mass at 6.30pm. The sessions will last about 45 minutes and will address all aspects of our faith, All are welcome to attend but those preparing for Confirmation or for reception into full Communion with the Church should attend because these sessions will serve as a means of their formation.

**Choir:** There will be a short meeting of the choir after mass today (15 mins only!) to review the music we will be preparing for Advent and Christmas. We will begin our normal rehearsals after Mass on 17th September. This is a great 'stepping on' point for anyone who would like to join our choir, you don't need to be qualified or be able to read music just to enjoy singing! Come along after mass or to our rehearsal on the 17th or contact Ian or Ellie Clarke on [iehclarke@btinternet.com](mailto:iehclarke@btinternet.com) or 01676 533 931 if you think you might be interested.

**CAFOD in El Salvador, a talk by Tania Dalton:** Saturday 16 September, 11.15am-1pm. St Peter the Apostle parish, 3a Dormer Place, Leamington Spa, CV32 5AA. You are warmly invited to join us for Mass at 10am and light refreshments from 10.45am. Tania is CAFOD's Communications Officer for Latin America & the Caribbean. There will be the opportunity to find out more about CAFOD's work in El Salvador and how you can get involved this Harvest Fast Day. All very welcome.

For more information, please contact Elizabeth Wignall at [ewignall@cafod.org.uk](mailto:ewignall@cafod.org.uk) or on 01922 722944. Please see poster on notice board.

**Parish Quiz.** Saturday, 14<sup>th</sup> October. Further details to follow

**Quiet Morning.** *'Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest.'* Mark 6 v 31. Meet at the Old Hall, Temple Balsall. Saturday, 16 September. Coffee available at 9.30am as we arrive for a prompt 10.00am start; finishing at 12 noon. **For the Season of Advent, The Revd Jane Braund, Minister at Balsall Common & Meriden Methodist Churches** will help direct our thoughts before we find our *'own individual*

*space' within the beautiful grounds and buildings. "In order for the morning to be helpful to those attending we can only take a maximum of 30 people. Please submit your name to **Doug Timmis (01676 534346)** as soon as possible."*

**Coffee Evening:** on Friday 13 October in Our Parish Room at 7.30p.m. Admission is 50p. which includes Refreshments. There will be the usual stalls, Cake, Preserves, Presents for All, Christmas Cards, Tombola and Raffle. Contributions for the stalls will be much appreciated and may be brought to the church before the day. Do put the date in your dairy and do tell your friends. It is always a very enjoyable evening. All proceeds will go towards the youngsters going to Lourdes next Easter with Group 83.

**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, 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.

**Anniversaries:** Joseph Arikat, George Deeley, Ken Selby, Mary Watson, John.V. Bowen.

**Lately Dead:** Sister Teresa Spillane, Sister of St. Paul's Selly Oak and supporter of HCPT Group 83.

### **This Week's Liturgy and Rota Arrangements**

<b>Date &amp; Time:</b>	<b>10<sup>th</sup> September – 9.30am</b>	<b>17<sup>th</sup> September – 9.30am</b>
<b>Day:</b>	<b>23rd Sunday Ordinary Time</b>	<b>24th Sunday Ordinary Time</b>
<b>Celebrant:</b>	Father Frank	Father Frank
<b>Intention:</b>	People of the Parish	Frank Clements (RIP)
<b>Altar Servers:</b>	Matthew, Daniel, Jacob	Kathryn, Hannah, Laura
<b>Wardens:</b>	Kevin & Sue Mc Govern Madeleine Peat	Bysshe & Judith Gibbs, Helen Woods
<b>Readers:</b>	Nigel Parker & Ian Lester	Dominic Green & Ciaran McSorley
<b>Eucharistic Ministers:</b>	John & Louise Perry, Joe Martin	Godfey Chesshire, Monica Green, Teresa Green
<b>Counting:</b>	Bob & Kathy Jones	Kevin & Sue McGovern
<b>Tea &amp; Coffee:</b>	Anne Stewart & Val Timms	Bridget Harrison & Ann Ostler
<b>Cleaning:</b>	Louise Perry & Monica Green	Godfrey & Linda Chesshire, Charles Keane
<b>Flowers:</b>	Anne Parker	Bridget Harrison
<b>Children's Liturgy:</b>	Monica Green & Kathryn Driffield	Claire Keane & Jane Devoy
<b>Music:</b>	Kathryn Green	Linda Chesshire

**This week's services**

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Tues. 12<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>Wed. 13<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September</b>	
<b>Time:</b>	6.30pm Mass Most Holy Name of Mary Followed by Talks and Discussions on the Faith	7.00pm Mass Followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Meditations & Benediction	10.00am Mass The Exaltation of the Cross	
<b>Intention:</b>		Parish Mission: Ss. Joseph & Ethelreda		

**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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