

Blessed Robert Grissold Catholic Church, Balsall Common

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

Sunday 17th September 2017 – Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

'I do not tell you to forgive seven times but seventy-seven times.'

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: At the heart of the revelation of God in the scriptures is his gratuitous love and today's Gospel teaches us that this kind of love is to be the norm of our relationship with others. According to Jesus' teaching forgiveness is a vital part of the daily life of the Christian community. Peter wants to know just how far our forgiveness should go. Jesus answers that we must always forgive - that is the meaning of the mysterious expression "seventy-seven times." This symbolic number indicates that there is to be no limit to forgiveness in the Christian community for love is not compatible with obligations that can be counted, rather it is gratuitous, like the love of God.

Collection 10th September: Loose plate £70.20, Envelopes £66.00, Standing Orders £370.00, **Total £506.20.**

Second Collection 10th September for Catholic Education raised £46.75.

Second Collection: Today there will be a Second Collection for Home Mission Sunday.

Second Collection Next Sunday: for father Hudson's Society.

Saints and Feast Days of the Week: Ss. Theodore & Januarius (19th), St. Andrew Kim Tae-gon (20th), Feast of St. Matthew(21st), St. Pius (Padre Pio) (23rd).

Meditations before the Blessed Sacrament on Wednesday evenings:

Meditations on the Eucharist, Church and mission continue after Mass this Wednesday. 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:

The series of talks and discussions on the faith continue this Tuesday evening, beginning at 7.00pm. We will meet in the church hall on Tuesdays after Mass at 6.30pm until the end of Advent. The sessions will last about 45 minutes and will address all aspects of our faith. All are welcome to attend in order to deepen their knowledge and appreciation of the Church's teaching, but those preparing for Confirmation (adults and children), or for reception into full Communion with the Church, should attend because these sessions will serve as a means of their formation.

PCC Parish Council Meeting: Thursday evening, 21 September 7.30pm. after Mass. All are Welcome.

Parish Quiz. Saturday, 14th October. Further details to follow.

St Peter's Catholic School Class of '77 Re-Union: Were you one of the teachers or pupils who left St. Peter's in 1977? Many of those pupils and teachers are meeting in Solihull on 14 October for a drink and buffet to celebrate. See poster on noticeboard for more details.

Monsignor McHugh Ordination Golden Jubilee – Next Sunday 24 September, Monsignor celebrates his ordination Golden Jubilee and this very special occasion will be marked on the day with a Mass at 3 pm celebrated by Bishop Robert Byrne, followed by light refreshments in the Parish Centre. Blessed Robert Grissold parishioners are cordially invited to the celebration. If you are able to come, please sign up on the board at the back of church by today, Sunday 17 September in order to assist with organisation and catering. If you wish to contribute towards a gift there are special collection envelopes also available at the back of church.

Village boundary review: You may be aware of the article in the Bugle and Communicator to ask SMBC for a boundary review. At present the border between Balsall Parish Council and Berkswell PC lies on Meeting House Lane. With the changes and development, the village faces the question is whether these boundaries

are still appropriate and if there is a better way of managing our village more effectively? Your signatures on the form in the Bugle could trigger the progress in order to look at the various options. Please read the article and return your form to Angela Jayne by the end of September, alternatively there is a form at the back of the church.

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, Dan Webster.

Anniversaries: Tony McDonald, Buntly Chesshire, Frank Hill.

This Week's Liturgy and Rota Arrangements

Date & Time:	17th September – 9.30am	24th September – 9.30am
Day:	24th Sunday Ordinary Time	25th Sunday Ordinary Time
Celebrant:	Father Frank	Father Frank
Intention:	Frank Clements (RIP)	Margaret, Patrick & Barry Lehane (RIP)
Altar Servers:	Kathryn, Hannah, Laura	Tom, Nathan, James
Wardens:	Bysshe & Judith Gibbs, Helen Woods	Joe Martin, Ann Ostler & Chris Mitchell
Readers:	Dominic Green & Ciaran McSorley	Mike Fairbrother & Ian Clarke
Eucharistic Ministers:	Godfey Chesshire, Monica Green, Teresa Green	Stefan Hunka, John McLellan & Madeleine Peat
Counting:	Jean Henser & Nuala Fulham	Kevin & Sue McGovern
Tea & Coffee:	Bridget Harrison & Ann Ostler	Claire & Charles Keane
Cleaning:	Godfrey & Linda Chesshire, Charles Keane	Mary Sharpe & Anne O'Brien
Flowers:	Bridget Harrison	Bridget Harrison
Children's Liturgy:	Claire Keane & Jane Devoy	Louise Perry & Claire Keane
Music:	Linda Chesshire	Instrumental Group

This week's services

Date:	Tues. 19th September	Wed. 20th September	Thursday 21st September
Time:	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	7.00pm Mass St. Matthew Apostle & Evangelist Followed by Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm. Richard Sawko
Intention:	Those preparing for Confirmation		

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 or call on **01676 533357** by 7.00pm on Wednesday.

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