

Blessed Robert Grissold Catholic Church, Balsall Common

In the Archdiocese of Birmingham Sunday Mass Time 9.30 am.

3rd June 2018 – Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

“This is my body. This is my blood.”

Pope’s Prayer Intention: Social Networks. That social networks may work towards that inclusiveness which respects others for their differences.

Father Frank: *Today’s feast turns our thoughts to the sacred mysteries of the Eucharist, and one of the peculiarities of the Eucharistic feast is that we, the Church, become the Body of Christ through our partaking of Christ’s Body and the consequence of our assimilation to the Body of Christ is that, like Christ, we become spiritual food for the life of the world, to be broken, given away and consumed. The Eucharist makes the Church, by making the Church Eucharist.*

Saints and Feast Days of the Week: Saint Boniface (5th), Saint Norbert (6th), Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus (8th), Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of Mary (9th).

Collection 27th May: Loose plate £61.50, envelopes £60.75, standing orders £390, Total £512.25.

First Holy Communion: Please pray for Cameron, Cherish, Jake and Reece who are preparing to receive their First Holy Communion here next Sunday 10th June. Please pray also, for their parents and families and for their catechists, Ann and Chris. We also pray for Daniel McDermott who will make his First Holy Communion with the school this week but wishes to mark his first communion with us, his worshipping community, next Sunday.

Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus: On Friday, we celebrate this Solemnity. St Margaret Mary received the vision of the Sacred Heart of Jesus which led to the devotions which followed. During the Consecration of our church a holy relic of St Margaret Mary was placed in our altar.

Silent prayer and meditation: There is an opportunity for silent prayer and meditation every Wednesday evening after the 7.00pm Mass. Our Lord showed us the need for silence in our lives by the way he sought out quiet places where he could pray and listen to God’s voice.

June - the Month of the Sacred Heart: June is the month of the Sacred Heart. The Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus falls on Friday 8th June - which we will celebrate with a Mass at 10.00am. Great benefits are promised to those who practice this devotion. Also, during this month, we can seek to deepen our devotion to the love of God revealed in the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus - a devotion encouraged by St Margaret Mary, whose relic rests in our altar. We might even consider consecrating ourselves to the Heart of our Lord Jesus Christ. To this end I have printed, below, a Prayer of Consecration, written by St Margaret Mary, which we could pray daily throughout the month of June and especially before the Mass.

Consecration to the Sacred Heart of our Lord Jesus Christ: *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*

Millennium Breakfast: Thanks to all those who supported the breakfast which raised £167, a wonderful effort! Special thanks to those who helped tidy away afterwards.

Get-together: This Wednesday 6th June. We meet at 10.30am in BRG car park for a trip to Yew Tree Craft Centre, Wootton Wawen. All welcome to join us.

Flower List: is in the process of been updated and if you would like to help and be part of it (your turn comes round once or twice a year), please get in touch with Pam Martin at church or phone 01676534916. Thank you

Grass in front of the church: We are looking for a volunteer to cut the grass in front of the church over the summer months. If you are willing to help can you please speak to Joe Martin after Mass. Thank you.

Your prayers are asked for those who are sick and their carers: List under review due to GDPR

Anniversaries: Audrey Coulson, Christopher Hughes, Richard Fulham, Aisling O’Toole, Frank Holden, Monica Griffith, Norah Flynn, Father Frank Calderbank.

This week’s Liturgy and Rota Arrangements

Date & Time:	Sunday 3rd June 9.30am	Sunday 10th June 9.30am
Day:	Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ	Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Celebrant:	Father Frank	Father Frank
Intention:	Brenda McSweeney (RIP)	Mary McDonagh (RIP) First Holy Communicants
Altar Servers:	Daniel, Jacob, Laura	Tom, Ethan, Joe
Wardens:	Joe Martin, Ann Ostler Chris Mitchell	John Perry, Kathy Jones, Maria Pulley
Readers:	Mary Sharp & David Bixby	David Cant & Joel Smith
Eucharistic Ministers:	Stefan Hunka, Charles Keane, John McLellan	Carol Beck, Godfrey Chesshire, Monica Green
Counting:	Devoy Family	Dave & Aislin Cant
Tea & Coffee:	Chesshire Family	Judith & Bysshe Gibbs
Cleaning:	Chris Mitchell and Eileen Selby	Ann Stewart & Val Timms
Flowers:	Linda Chesshire	Grace Brennan
Children’s Liturgy:	Monica Green & Celine Burley	Louise Perry & Jane
Music:	Ian and Ellie Clark	Linda Chesshire

This week’s masses

Date:	Tuesday 5th June	Wednesday 6th June	Thursday 7th June	Friday 8th June
Time:	7pm Mass	7pm Mass	10am Mass	10.00am Mass
Intention:	Margaret Bixby (RIP)	Followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, meditations and silent prayer until Benediction at 8.00 pm		Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

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

Contributions for the Bulletin: Please contact John Perry by 7.00pm on Wednesday at jlgperry@btinternet.com or call 01676 533357.

Priest: Revd. Father Frank Smith. Tel : 07512 100908 Email: frankj.smith55@yahoo.co.uk

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