

*Blessed Robert Grissold Catholic Church, Balsall Common*

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

**17<sup>th</sup> June 2018 – Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*“It is the smallest of all the seeds: yet it grows into the biggest shrub of them all.”*

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

**Father Frank:** *The Kingdom of God is a mystery even though it is in our midst. The kingdom of God is something altogether new which transforms the old and familiar. Bread becomes the Body of Christ, wine becomes his Blood. And the coming of God’s kingdom is God’s work - it is a mystery and it comes mysteriously, night and day, while we sleep, when we are awake, making all things new, growing in our midst to produce a harvest that gives glory to God and that harvest is the harvest of our transformed lives, changed, made new, we know not how.*

**Fr. George:** Our thanks to Fr. George, from the Columban Fathers, for covering for Fr. Frank today.

**Saints and Feast Days of the Week:** St. Romuald (19<sup>th</sup>), St. Alban (20<sup>th</sup>), St. Aloysius Gonzaga (21<sup>st</sup>), Ss. John Fisher & Thomas More (22<sup>nd</sup>), St. Ethelreda & Our Lady (23<sup>rd</sup>).

**Collection 10<sup>th</sup> June:** Loose plate £, envelopes £, standing orders £390, **Total £TBA.**

**Today there is a second collection for the Day of Life**

**Second Collection next Sunday for the Peter’s Pence.**

**Year for Priests:** The Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, marked the start of a year of thanksgiving, prayer and celebration for priests of this diocese, in preparation for a national celebration of priesthood to coincide with the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart in 2019. A prayer card is available in the narthex in order that we might join in this year of prayer.

**June - the Month of the Sacred Heart:** June is the month of the Sacred Heart. 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*

**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.

**Parish Cake Sale:** This will be held after Mass Today. All proceeds are for Parish Funds.

**Celebrate:** Catholic Charismatic Family Weekend on Sat 30th June and Sun 1st July at St Mary's College, Oscott. Leaflets with full details are available at the back of the church or [www.celebrateconference.org](http://www.celebrateconference.org)

**Race for Life:** On 1st July, Hannah and I are taking part in the Cancer Research UK Race for Life, a sponsored 5 km run. In doing so we are keeping a promise we made to each other over a year ago, while I was being treated for breast cancer. If you can, please sponsor us; every pound we raise will help to fund vital research into all types of cancer. I'll have the sponsorship form with me after mass today and next week, or you can donate online at our page: <https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/team/ellie-and-hannah>. Thank you. *Ellie Clarke*

**Pilgrimage to Knock 10<sup>th</sup> September 2018:** Please see poster at back of Church.

Simply Purple & Friends present 'A Summer Serenade', at St Peter's Church Hall next Sunday, **24 June 3.00pm**. In aid of 'Zoe's Place', a Baby Hospice in Coventry and 'St Peter's Church'. Tickets £10.00 each including A *SRAWBERRY TEA*, available from *Linda Cheshire* (532352).

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

Anniversaries: Enid Clifford, Marie Hession.

### This week's Liturgy and Rota Arrangements

<b>Date &amp; Time:</b> <b>Day:</b>	<b>Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> June 9.30am</b> <b>Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary</b> <b>Time</b>	<b>Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> June 9.30am</b> <b>Solemnity of The Nativity of</b> <b>St. John the Baptist</b>
<b>Celebrant:</b>	Father George (Columban Father) People of the Parish	Father George (Columban Father) People of the Parish
<b>Intention:</b>		
<b>Altar Servers:</b>	Matthew & James	Daniel, Jacob, Laura
<b>Wardens:</b>	Chris Burleigh, Christine Horner, Christine Plater	Ian & Fran Lester, Alan Devoy
<b>Readers:</b>	Bob Jones, Stefan Hunka	John McLellan, James Green
<b>Eucharistic Ministers:</b>	Madeleine Peat, Teresa Green, Mike Fairbrother	Maureen Carroll, Joe Martin, Eileen Selby
<b>Counting:</b>	Charles Keane, Mike Fairbrother	John Perry, Nuala Fulham
<b>Tea &amp; Coffee:</b>	Anne Stewart, Val Timms	Bridget Harrison, Ann Ostler
<b>Cleaning:</b>	Chris & Margaret Burleigh	Christine Plater, Nuala Fulham
<b>Flowers:</b>	Grace Brennan	TBA
<b>Children's Liturgy:</b>	Celine Burley, Kathryn Driffield	Jane Devoy, Monica Green
<b>Music:</b>	Instrumental Group	Instrumental Group

### This week's masses

<b>Date:</b> <b>Time:</b>	<b>Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> June</b> <b>10.00am</b> Eucharistic Service	<b>Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> June</b> No Mass	<b>Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June</b> No Mass	<b>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> June</b> No Mass
<b>Intention:</b>				

**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](mailto: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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**Parish website: [www.brgparish.org.uk](http://www.brgparish.org.uk)**

**Warwick Catholic Deanery website: [www.warwick-catholicdeanery.org.uk](http://www.warwick-catholicdeanery.org.uk)**