

Blessed Robert Grissold Catholic Church, Balsall Common

In the Archdiocese of Birmingham Sunday Mass Time 9.30 am.

2nd September 2018 – Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

“You put aside the commandment of God to cling to human traditions”

Pope’s Prayer Intention: That young people in Africa may have access to education and work in their own countries.

Father Frank: Jesus’ controversy with the Pharisees, in today’s Gospel, points up his opposition to a cold, formal and exterior religion. Jesus wants us to engage rather with the loving, interior demands of the kingdom of God. Like the prophets of old, he calls for conversion of heart rather than mere conformity to external standards and laws. One way to obscure the joy and truth of the Gospel is to reduce it to a series of formal rules which need to be observed only in an external fashion. The Gospel of Christ, on the other hand, is primarily a matter of the heart.

Saints and Feast Days of the Week: St Gregory the Great (3rd), St Cuthbert (4th).

Collection 26th August: Loose plate £TBC, Envelopes £TBC, standing orders £390, **Total £TBC.**

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: on Thursday evening is an opportunity for us all to learn of Christ and grow in his life as we pray silently before him in the Blessed Sacrament and meditate on the spiritual teaching of the Church. All welcome.

Baptisms: Please pray for Lenny Joseph Farmer and Alba Violet Guest who will be baptised today after Mass. Also pray for their families and friends, especially their parents and godparents.

First Friday Devotions: On the First Friday of every month there is a Mass of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. St Margaret Mary received the vision of Christ which led to the devotion to the Sacred Heart. At the Consecration of our church a relic of Saint Margaret Mary was sealed in our altar giving us a special connection with this holy devotion.

Monsignor McHugh Farewell and Thank You: After 17 years as Parish Priest, Mgr McHugh will be retiring from Ss George and Teresa on 16th September. In order to thank him and wish him well, the parish has organised a farewell celebration on Sunday 7th October, 3.00-5.00pm, in the Dorridge Parish Centre, to include light refreshments. This will be followed by Benediction at 5.00pm. Blessed Robert Grissold parishioners are cordially invited to join this celebration.

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.

Get Together: Meets this Wednesday September 5th at 10.30am in the parish room for tea, coffee, cakes and a chat. All welcome.

Safeguarding: Archbishop Bernard Longley has commissioned a review of current safeguarding practices in light of the National Catholic Practices and Procedures. This review is to be welcomed as a means of ensuring that our systems to protect children are as effective as possible. It is being conducted by an independent charity SCIE (Social Care Institute for Excellence). As part of the review SCIE would like to speak with any individuals who had had experience with any safeguarding issues within the Archdiocese, and would like to have experience of working with our parish safeguarding representatives. Anyone who is impacted by abuse issues can contact the team on 0121 230 6240 (emergency out of hours 07976 516629). If you are able to contribute to this important review please contact Hugh Constant at hugh.constant@scie.org.uk or on 020 7766 7374 or Mobile: 07872 602207).

100 Club Draw: Results of the 2nd 100 Club draw for 2018. 1st prize £75, No. 10 M Fairbrother; 2nd prize £45, No. 5 R Cawley; 3rd prize £30, No. 49 M Sharp.

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

Anniversaries: None this week

This week's Liturgy and Rota Arrangements

Date & Time: Day:	Sunday 2nd September 9.30am Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	Sunday 9th September 9.30am Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Celebrant:	Father Frank	Father Frank
Intention:	Geraldine and Keith Delaney	Frank Clements (RIP)
Altar Servers:	Ethen & Joe	Matthew & James
Wardens:	Dominic Green, Christine Harris, Irene Gibbons	Ciaran McSorley, Celine Burley, John McLellan
Readers:	Louise & John Perry	Maureen Carroll and Nuala Fulham
Eucharistic Ministers:	Carol Beck, John McLellan, Eileen Selby	Monica Green, Stefan Hunka, Madeleine Peat
Counting:	Ian Lester	Devoy Family
Tea & Coffee:	Bridget Harrison, Ann Ostler	Claire & Charles Keane
Cleaning:	Mary Sharp, Anne O'Brien	Chris Mitchell and Eileen Selby
Flowers:	Linda Chesshire	Linda Chesshire
Children's Liturgy:	None during School Holidays	TBC
Music:	Kathryn Green	Instrumental Group
Baptism after Mass:	Lenny Joseph Farmer and Alba Violet Guest	Frederick David Cowling

This week's services

Date: Time:	Tuesday 4th Sept 10.00am Mass	Wednesday 5th Sept 10.00am Mass	Thursday 6th Sept 7.00pm Mass Followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, meditations and silent prayer until Benediction at 8.00 pm.	Friday 7th Sept 10.00 am Votive Mass of the Sacred Heart
Intention:	Laura O'Dwyer (RIP)	Benefactors of the Johnson's Association	Delia and Tom Murray (RIP)	Frank Sydney Smith (RIP)

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

Contributions for the Bulletin: David Green is currently compiling the newsletter. Please send items by 7.00pm on Wednesday at david.monica@btopenworld.com or call 01564 775155.

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

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