

Blessed Robert Grissold Catholic Church, Balsall Common

In the Archdiocese of Birmingham Sunday Mass Time 9.30 am.

17th February 2019 – 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year C

“How happy are you who are poor. Alas for you who are rich.”

Pope’s Prayer Intention: For a generous welcome of the victims of human trafficking, of enforced prostitution, and of violence.

Father Frank: *We were made by God and created for God - to know him and love him forever. So, we are happy now if we are poor - poor in the sense of knowing our poverty with regard to the riches of the life for which God has created us. We are happy because this knowledge of our poverty allows us to realise our absolute need of God which leads us to turn to him in trust - trusting in his power to save us. And God does not disappoint those who turn to him in trust.*

Saints & Feast Days this Week: Feast of the Chair of St Peter (22nd), St Polycarp (23rd).

Collection 10th February: Loose plate £61.70, envelopes £47.00, standing orders £390.00, Total £498.70.

Finance Committee: There will be a finance meeting after mass today.

Tuesday Service: Please note that on Tuesday there will be a Eucharistic Service at 10.00am. Fr Frank has to attend a conference for Priests.

Confirmation: Confirmation candidates and any seeking reception into full communion with the Church this year must submit their names and contact details to Fr Frank, by email, (address given at the end of the newsletter) before the end of February 2019.

CTBB Drop-In Youth Café: There is a Youth Cafe at the Jubilee Centre from 1.30 pm to 3.30pm this Wednesday, 20th February (half-term). Young people from year 6 and upwards are welcome to attend. £1 entry, includes cake and a drink. Make your own mug-cake, frothy coffee and hot chocolate! Craft and games, including A Minute to Win It tournament with prizes!

Talk on Thomas Merton: Author Chris McDonnell is giving a talk about this Trappist monk at 2pm next Sunday, 24th February, at St Mary’s, Harborne. Tea served from 1.30pm. Details on our notice board; contact: mjriordan@hotmail.co.uk.

World Day of Prayer: Our local celebration of this world-wide ecumenical service is at 10.30am on Friday 1st March at Balsall Common Methodist Church. Please put the date in your diary! If you are willing to help on the day, please contact Louise Perry on 01676 533357 or email jlgperry@btinternet.com.

St George & St Teresa RC Primary School Headteacher: Des Foxon is retiring at the end of this school term after a 39-year career as a teacher, the last 27 years of which have been as Head of St. George and St. Teresa School. Please keep him and the School in your prayers.

Headteacher Vacancy (1): After 27 years as Headteacher of St George & St Teresa RC Primary School, Des Foxon will be retiring at the end of this school term. The school governors are therefore seeking to appoint a new full-time Headteacher, starting 1 September 2019 (or sooner). For further information and an application form please contact Mrs Alison Vining on 07971 265702 or email avining@solgrid.org.uk. Closing date: Monday 25 February 2019 at 12 noon.

Headteacher Vacancy (2): Our Lady’s Catholic Primary School, Princethorpe has a vacancy for a new Headteacher. For further details please email admin3561@we-learn.com or phone 01926 632385. Closing Date: Monday 25th February.

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

Contributions for the Bulletin: Please email items for the weekly bulletin to Ellie Clarke by 7.00 pm Wednesday at iehclarke@btinternet.com.

Your prayers are asked for those who are sick and their carers: Lily Mae Carr, Joseph Lockington, Katya O'Donnell, Consuelo Ramon, Anne Santos, Andrew Burton, Darragh Sheehan, Barry Holmes.

Anniversaries: Samuel & Ruth Carter, Catherine Utteridge, Patrick Casey, Desmond Martin, Winifred Ruane, Mary Restall, Tim O'Sullivan.

Lately Dead: Elizabeth Chattell and Reg Hammond (both long-time friends of Maureen Carroll).

This Week's Liturgy and Rota Arrangements

Date & Time:	Sunday 17 th February– 9.30am	Sunday 24 th February– 9.30am
Day:	Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
Celebrant:	Father Frank	Father Frank
Intention:	Barbara O'Rourke (RIP)	Frank Boyle (RIP)
Altar Servers:	Jacob & Laura	Ethan & Joe
Wardens:	John Perry, Maria Pulley & Kathy Jones	Chris Burleigh, Christine Horner & Christina Plater
Readers:	Chris Burleigh & Andrew Chesshire-Ramon	Nigel Parker & Ian Lester
Eucharistic Ministers:	Michael Fairbrother, Madeleine Peat & Eileen Selby	Nuala Fulham, Teresa Green & Joe Martin
Counting:	Maureen Carroll, Bernard Hammond & Jean Henser	McSorley family
Tea & Coffee:	Louise Perry & Ann Dodd	Chris Mitchell & Selby family
Cleaning:	BLITZ – Louise Perry to lead	Sarah Noonan, Godfrey & Linda Chesshire
Flowers:	Helen Woods	Helen Woods
Children's Liturgy:	Half-term	Half-term
Music:	Linda Chesshire	Instrumental Group

Service and Mass Times this week

Date:	Tuesday 12 th February	Wednesday 13 th February	Thursday 7 th February
Time:	10.00 am	10.00 am	7.00 pm
	<i>(Eucharistic Service)</i>		Followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, meditations and silent prayer until Benediction at 8.00 pm.

Priest: Revd. Father Frank Smith. Tel: 07512 100908 Email: parishpriest@brgparish.org.uk

The parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham, Registered Charity No. 234216.

Parish website: www.brgparish.org.uk

Warwick Catholic Deanery website: www.warwick-catholicdeanery.org.uk

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