

# *Blessed Robert Grissold Catholic Church, Balsall Common*

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

## **13th October 2019 – Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year C**

*“No one has come back to give praise to God except this foreigner”*

**Pope’s Prayer Intention for October:** *“That the breath of the Holy Spirit engenders a new missionary “spring” in the Church.*

**Father Frank:** *October is the month of the Rosary and we will be praying a decade at Mass through the week as a gentle reminder, if it is needed, of the great riches that are to be had in this form of prayer. Padre Pio, the holy saint who received the stigmata, loved to pray the Rosary. He always kept his Rosary beads in his hand. Because he prayed it almost constantly, he was known as the ‘living Rosary.’ One day his superior asked him how many Rosaries he had prayed that day. Wanting to be respectful and honest with his superior he told him: “I have prayed thirty-four Rosaries today.” On another occasion a follower asked him to teach him a prayer that was most pleasing to our Blessed Lady. Without hesitation, he insisted that none is more beautiful or pleasing than the Rosary. And he further instructed him: “Always say the Rosary. The Rosary is a weapon in our hands.” Near the end of his life he didn’t talk much and when people sought his advice or help he would simply show them the Rosary. Let us follow St Pio’s example and always have our Rosary with us.*

**Collection:** 29<sup>th</sup> September: Loose plate £62.55, Envelopes 90.00, standing orders £430.00, **Total £582.55.**

**CAFOD Harvest Fast Day** – last Sunday’s collection raised **£406.15** – excellent, thank you.

**Saints and Feast Days this week:** **St Margaret Mary Alacoque (16<sup>th</sup>), St Hedwig (16<sup>th</sup>), 17<sup>th</sup>), St Luke (18<sup>th</sup>).**

**October and the Rosary.** October is the month of the Rosary and it is a good time therefore to renew our devotion to our Lord and our Blessed Lady through this rich source of prayer. We will offer up a decade of the Rosary before the Sunday Mass and after every weekday Mass throughout the month of October.

**Dates for your diary relating to this Silver Anniversary Year of Blessed Robert Grissold Church:**

- ❖ Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> November: Confirmation, together with the Blessing of our commemorative window by Bishop William.
- ❖ 25<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Day - 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first Mass at Blessed Robert Grissold.

We hope as many of you as possible will enjoy taking part in these events.

**Christmas Raffle:** It's that time of year again when I am looking for the donation of Raffle Prizes for the Christmas Raffle. As you are aware the raffle is one of our biggest fundraisers each year made possible by your generosity in donating prizes, buying the raffle tickets and selling to friends and family. In particular, I will need to know the first three prizes before the end of October when the tickets go to print. There will be a list at the back of the church, or you can contact me directly, [traceymcatamney@btconnect.com](mailto:traceymcatamney@btconnect.com) or **01676 532940**. Thank you – *Tracey*.

**Memories of Our Church:** as part of the commemoration of 25 years of our church, we would like to collect your memories and photos of our parish over the last 25 years for a pull out and keep souvenir to be published as part of our Christmas Newsletter. If you would like to share your memories and photos please contact Eleanor Clarke after Mass or email her on [iehclarke@btinternet.com](mailto:iehclarke@btinternet.com)

**Training Sessions** There are a number of Training Sessions being run by the Archdiocese at various times and places over the coming weeks and months for those with responsibility in the Parish for: Safeguarding; GDPR; Property and Finance. For full details of the times and venues please see the notice board or Fr Frank.

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

**Items for Weekly Bulletin:** Please note that *Godfrey Chesshire* has taken over the bulletin editorial. Please send items to [godfreychesshire@btinternet.com](mailto:godfreychesshire@btinternet.com) or call on **01676 532352** by **7.00pm on Wednesday**.

**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, Maureen Carroll.

**Anniversaries:** Irene Burke, John Santos, Brian Carroll, Dorothy Peat, Mary Jay, Margaret Cross, Clare Given.

### This Week's Liturgy and Rota Arrangements

<b>Date &amp; Time:</b> <b>Day:</b>	Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> October – 9.30 am Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)	Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> October – 9.30 am Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C)
<b>Celebrant:</b> <b>Intention:</b>	Father Frank Brian Carroll (RIP)	Father Frank Alec W Abell (RIP)
<b>Altar Servers:</b>	Joe & James	Ethan & Laura
<b>Wardens:</b>	Bysse & Judith Gibbs & Helen Woods	Joe Martin Ann Ostler & Chris Mitchell
<b>Readers:</b>	John Peat & Bysse Gibbs	Godfrey Chesshire & Dominic O'Brien
<b>Eucharistic Ministers:</b>	Carol Beck Louise Perry & John McLellan	Monica Green Eileen Selby & Joe Martin
<b>Counting:</b>	Bernard Hammond & Jean Henser	John Perry & Nuala Fulham
<b>Tea &amp; Coffee:</b>	Chesshire Family	Anne Stewart & Val Timms
<b>Cleaning:</b>	Christina Plater & Nuala Fulham	Louise Perry & Monica Green
<b>Flowers:</b>	Linda Chesshire	Chris Mitchell
<b>Children's Liturgy:</b>	Kathryn & Claire	Monica & Jane
<b>Music:</b>	Ian & Ellie	Linda Chesshire

### Mass Times this week

<b>Date:</b> <b>Time:</b>	Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> October 9.30 am Mass St Teresa of Jesus	Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> October 7.00 pm Mass St Margaret Alacoque followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, meditations and silent prayer until Benediction at 8.00 pm	Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> October 10.00 am Mass St Ignatius of Antioch
<b>Intention:</b>			

**Priest: Revd. Father Frank Smith. Tel: 07512 100908 Email: [parishpriest@brgparish.org.uk](mailto:parishpriest@brgparish.org.uk)**

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