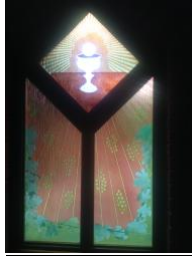


Blessed Robert Grissold Catholic Church, Balsall Common

In the Archdiocese of Birmingham Sunday Mass Time 9.30 am

3rd November 2019 – Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year C

“The Son of Man has come to seek out and save what was lost.”



Pope's Prayer Intention for November: *“That a spirit of dialogue, encounter and reconciliation emerge in the Near East, where diverse religious communities share their lives together.”*

Father Frank: Confirmation: *We welcome Bishop William today. He will celebrate the Mass, preach and Confirm our candidates. He will also bless our commemorative window. We also welcome the families, sponsors and friends of our Confirmation candidates. There will be a reception in the hall after Mass - to which all are welcome. Please keep the Confirmation Candidates; Chloe, Ethan, Carys, Erin and James, in your prayers.*

Welcome to Sasha Ward, the artist who has produced our window commemorating the 25th anniversary of our church. Thanks to Ian Clarke who coordinated this project.

Collection: 27th October: Loose plate £86.80, Envelopes £52.00, standing orders £430.00; **Total £568.80.**

There will be a collection today for the Johnson Association. This charity supports clergy, who, on account of age or infirmity, are no longer able to carry out their parochial work.

Counting Rota: we need an additional member of the team. You will only need to count one Sunday in every ten. Please speak with Bob Jones or Godfrey Chesshire after mass. Thank you.

Saints and Feast Days this week: St Charles Borromeo (4th), Blessed George Napier (8th).

Get-together. This Wednesday November 6th. We are meeting at 10.30am in the parish room for tea, coffee, cakes and a chat. All welcome.

Masses for the Holy Souls. There are envelopes for your prayer intentions and offerings at the back of the church. Please write the names of your departed loved ones clearly on a piece of paper and enclose it in one of the envelopes provided, together with your offering. I will offer the Mass for those named at the Masses for Holy Souls during the month of November - they will be named in the intercessions at the Masses during this month of remembrance. A tray will be placed by the altar to receive your Mass intentions and offerings.

Millennium Breakfast: Our next breakfast will take place after Mass on November 10th. We will be serving warm croissants and toast as usual, along with coffee, tea and orange juice for a suggested donation of £2. The proceeds will be given to Columban Father Ed O'Connell to assist him with his projects in Lima.

CHARITY CHRISTMAS FAYRE - SATURDAY, 23rd NOVEMBER - 10 am to 3.30pm VENUE: Blessed Robert Grissold Church Hall. The Fayre is in aid of: **Save the Children and Acorns** (Children's Hospices). It's an opportunity to buy handmade presents, cards, jewellery & “environmentally friendly” items. Homemade cakes & cookies on sale too! Offers of cakes / raffle prizes would be welcomed. For more info contact: Julia Greensall - Mob: 07855 843 914 or email: julia@greensall.com

Rosary. My thanks to everyone who has prayed the Rosary before and after the Masses in October - the month of the Holy Rosary. It is good to be reminded of the surpassing value of this powerful spiritual weapon - endorsed by the saints and by Our Blessed Lady herself in all her recent apparitions. May the month of the Holy Rosary inspire us to use this form of prayer with greater devotion and regularity.

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

Friends of the Holy Land – a message from the Vice Chairman: *It would be wonderful if some of your parishioners could make one of our 10th anniversary events in 3 weeks' time – either Temple Church London on Thursday 14th or preferably Coventry Cathedral for our service on Saturday 16th followed by our National Conference with lunch from 12.30pm – 4pm, each attended by Archbishop Suheil Dawani to lead us in prayer and give us an update on the latest situation over there. Details on the notice board. As you will see, at Coventry we are being graced with the presence of Cardinal Vincent Nichols and Archbishop Bernard Longley. There is also a coach going from St. Francis Church, Kenilworth. Kind regards, Peter Rand.*

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

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.

Anniversary: James McGovern.

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

This Week's Liturgy and Rota Arrangements

Date & Time: Day: Celebrant: Intention:	Sunday 3 rd November – 9.30 am Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) with the sacrament of Confirmation Bishop William Confirmation Candidates	Sunday 10 th November – 9.30 am Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C) Remembrance Day Father Frank Jim Slattery
Altar Servers:	Ethan & Laura	Joe & James
Wardens:	Chris Burleigh Christine Horner & Christina Plater	Ian & Fran Lester Alan Devoy
Readers:	Gerry Hudson & Nuala Fulham	Mary Sharp & Alan Devoy
Eucharistic Ministers:	Stefan Hunka & Madeleine Peat	Joe Martin Teresa Green & John McLellan
Counting:	Chris Burleigh & Mary Sharp	Chris Lynn plus tba
Tea & Coffee:	Claire & Charles Keane	Chris Lynn & Mary Sharp
Cleaning:	Kathryn Driffield & Helen Woods	Margaret Hughes & Judith Kennedy
Flowers:	Christine Harris	Christine Harris
Children's Liturgy:	Confirmation	Kathryn & Claire
Music:	Ian & Ellie Clarke	Instrumental Group

Mass Times this week

Date: Time:	Tuesday 5 th November 9.30am Mass	Wednesday 6 th November 10.00am Mass	Thursday 7 th November 7.00 pm Mass followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, meditations and silent prayer until Benediction at 8.00pm
Intention	John Bland (RIP)	Graham Jones (RIP)	Johnny Markey (RIP)

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

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