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Eighteenth Sunday (Year C)

Saturday 3rd August (Vigil for Sunday)

4.00pm Confession

5.00pm Mrs Claudina Fernandes RIP

Sunday 4th August Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

10.00am Arthur Hawksley RIP

Tea/Coffee in the Hall after Mass

Monday 5th August – Feria

9.30am Service of the Word with Holy Communion

followed by Rosary

Tuesday 6th August – Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord

9.30am Service of the Word with Holy Communion

followed by Devotion to St. Joseph

Wednesday 7th August – Feria

7.00pm Service of the Word with Holy Communion

Thursday 8th August – Memorial of St. Dominic, Priest

9.30am Service of the Word with Holy Communion

7.00pm **HOLY HOUR**

Friday 9th August – Feast of St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (Edith Stein) Virgin, Martyr

9.30am Service of the Word with Holy Communion

followed by Divine Mercy

Saturday 10th August – Feast of St. Lawrence, Deacon, Martyr

10.00am Service of the Word with Holy Communion

4.00pm Confession

5.00pm Mrs Claudina Fernandes RIP

Sunday 11th August – Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

10.00am People of the Parish

Tea/Coffee in the Hall after Mass

SYMPATHY: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Pauline Geraghty who died recently. We

extend our deepest sympathy to Michael (her husband) and to all the family. May she rest in Peace.

ANNIVERSARIES WITHIN THE WEEK: Herbert Kilgallon, Joseph Ratchford, James Ward, John Braniff, Rebecca Packwood, Ronald O'Sullivan, Leslie Bettsworth, Maud Neenan, Ivy Robinson, Arthur Hawksley, Sonia Cerrone, Harold Myring, Bridget Woolridge, Anthony Twyman and John Brown. May they rest in Peace.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: The sick and housebound of the parish. We include all those we know in hospitals, nursing homes and their own homes. May the Lord grant them healing, strength and peace! If you have relative(s) who are housebound and would like to have a regular visit by the clergy or a minister, please let us know.

WEEKEND MASSES: we welcome Fr. Van Tien Nguyen, formation tutor from St. Mary's College, Oscott who will say Masses for us on the two coming weekends (3rd - 4th August & 10th - 11th August). He's also coming to say Mass on the 15th August at 7.00pm for the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. We also welcome Fr. Pat Armstrong, a retired priest from Bicester who will say Masses on the weekend 17th - 18th August. Please make them welcome here at St. Joseph's.

CHURCH FLOWERS: If you'd like to donate for the flowers in memory of your loved ones or on special occasions, please contact the parish office for details. **We desperately need more volunteers to arrange flowers for weekends.** If you can, please let us know.

TEA/COFFEE AFTER MASS ON SUNDAYS: We would like to invite you to give it a try. Get to know more of your fellow parishioners and build the community of St. Joseph's. **We are in need of a few more volunteers to serve in the kitchen.** Why not enlist the help of a friend. We publish a rota which can be changed. Please contact **Tom Bentham 01543 506698 or 078088 49085** or send him an email tombentham@yahoo.com

PARISH UPCOMING SOCIAL/CHARITY EVENT: On Saturday 28th September, the CAFOD group are putting on an Irish Night in the Parish Hall. 'GAN TEDEAL', Burntwood's home grown band, has been booked for a night of songs, jigs and reels. Tickets on sale soon! Watch this space!

MONTHLY LUNCH: all are welcome (parishioners or not). Please bring a friend to this wonderful social event. Next on Tuesday 20th August. Please contact Sue Barnes 01543 671701 to book/cancel in advance. Donations for Raffle Prizes are always needed. Thank you for your support.

MEN'S BREAKFAST: 1st Saturday of the month at 8.30am, next is 3rd August. **All men are welcome.** Please contact Tom Bentham in advance. Email preferred tombentham@yahoo.com or leave a message on 01543 506698 or text 0780 884 9085.

PARISH DRAW: Only £5/month to win £200 every month. The only way to win the prize is to be in the draw. Thank you.

REMEMBERING LOVED ONES IN OUR CHURCH: to have a memorial plaque with the name(s) of our loved one(s) bonded to the interior church wall, please contact Dave King 07831 858443 or email glynn.king1@ntlworld.com. Forms are also at the back of the church

WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN UNION (WCU): 1st Thursday of the month from 10.00am - 12.00 noon in the Parish Hall. Our aim is to support one another through faith and friendship. All Christian women are welcome. Next meeting 5th September.

NEW GIFT AID ENVELOPES & STANDING ORDERS: We would like to ask current, and any

potential new gift aiders, if they would kindly consider setting up a standing order for their contributions instead of using envelopes. The Archdiocese is gradually trying to cut down on the use of envelopes as the standing order system is a more effective system and cuts down on a huge amount of work. We would be grateful therefore if you could make this change. Please contact the parish office if you need any assistance with this. Thank you for your support.

BLESSED JOHN HENRY NEWMAN TO BE CANONISED: Pope Francis announces that Blessed John Henry Newman will be canonised in Rome on Sunday 13 October 2019. This will make Cardinal Newman the first English person who has lived since the 17th century officially recognised as a saint by the Roman Catholic Church. John Henry Newman (1801-1890) was ordained as a Church of England priest and soon became the leader of the Oxford Movement but converted to Catholicism in 1845. He founded the Oratory in England and was later made a cardinal. When he died at the age of 89, more than 15,000 people lined the streets of Birmingham for his funeral. Cardinal Newman is widely considered to be one of the most significant figures of the 19th century. Information about Cardinal Newman including details of his life, of the miracle and the process of canonisation, links to his writings as well as photos and videos available to media, can be found at www.newmancanonisation.com

JACQUELINE'S JAUNTS: Trip to Aberystwyth on Saturday 31 August, cost is £19.00. Please contact Jackie for details of the trip and payment, if interested. Thank you.

FOODBANK: Thank you for your generosity. As the summer break is coming, more stocks are needed. If you can, please help. Thank you.

ST JOSEPH'S HOME, COLESHILL: run by Father Hudson's Care, recognised as a good care home by the Care Quality Commission offers residential care to older people and those living with dementia in a Catholic setting, with Mass said daily by resident priests. Respite bedrooms are also available for those who could benefit from a short stay. If you or someone you know might benefit from the care offered at St Joseph's, please call Father Hudson's Care on 01675 434500 for an informal chat or to arrange a visit.

HARVINGTON HALL PILGRIMAGE: Sunday 1st September, the Archdiocese of Birmingham's Annual Pilgrimage & 3pm Mass for the English Martyrs, in the garden. Confessions from 1.45 pm – 2.30 pm. Tours for groups (maximum 20) will take place at the following times –

12.30 pm 1.00 pm, 1.30 pm, 4.15 pm and 4.30 pm. The event is organised by St. Mary's Parish. Please contact the Parish directly on 01562 777319 for details.

BAPTISED AND SENT: OUR CALL TO BE MISSIONARY DISCIPLES: Sat. 12th October, 10am to 5pm, at St. Peter's RC School, Solihull. Join Archbishop Bernard Longley, the Columban Missionaries and people from across the diocese to explore our call to be missionary disciples. Register on-line at http://bit.ly/JandP_Assembly2019 or email: events@columbans.co.uk

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(www.retrouvaille.org.uk) For details, please contact Clive & Kathy Jones 07887 296983 / 07973 380443 info@retrouvaille.org.uk

FOR MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT: Marriage Encounter Weekend- 22nd-24th November. Ibis Hotel, Rugby. <https://wwme.org.uk/weekends/residential-marriage-encounter-weekend-rugby-3/>

For more information about Marriage Encounter visit their website <https://wwme.org.uk/> or email bookings@wwme.org.uk

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