

Blessed Robert Grissold Catholic Church, Balsall Common

In the Parish of St Francis of Assisi, Baddesley Clinton

SUNDAY 21st FEBRUARY 2010 1st SUNDAY OF LENT

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*'Jesus was led by the Spirit through the wilderness
and was tempted there'*

Pope's Prayer Intention: *For all scholars and intellectuals, that by means of sincere search for the truth they may arrive at an understanding of the one true God.*

Collection for 14th February: Envelopes £147.00, Loose Plate £75.74 Total **£222.74.**

Millennium Project Our Breakfast last Sunday raised £185.00, including donations, an excellent result. A further £50 was counted from the Bottle making a total of £235. Our thanks go to everyone who supported this event or helped in any way to make it such a success. A cheque will be sent to Fr Ed in the next few days and he will be delighted.

Lenten Booklets: Lent is a time of preparation for Easter. Please take one of the booklets and calendars from the back of church after mass.

Lenten House Masses: As part of our Lenten preparation Father Sebastian is saying a series of House Masses around the Parish (this will replace the Tuesday evening mass in church). Everyone is very welcome. The first will be held at *Chris Mitchell's* home this Tuesday 23rd Feb at 7:30pm. Address: Pinewoods, 54 Balsall Street East, Balsall Common.

HCPT – The Pilgrimage Trust: A Coffee Evening with Raffle Draw will take place tomorrow evening at 7.30pm. Admission 50p inc refreshments. There will be various stalls including Preserves, Groceries, Cakes, Toiletries, Handicrafts, Easter Cards & Tombola. Contributions to all stalls, especially cakes, bric-a-brac, unwanted presents, tombola and raffle prizes will be much appreciated. Please return sold and unsold raffle tickets together with money after mass today. Thank you.

CAFOD: Friday is to be observed as a day of fasting for the needy and hungry of the world. A retiring collection will be taken next Sunday.

Lenten Breakfasts organised by Churches Together in Balsall & Berkswell: This year's theme is *'Money'* and the second session (**'Justice and Money'**) will take place next Saturday morning, 27th February at 8.30am in the Methodist Church Hall. Please see further information in the leaflets on the narthex table.

Parish Dinner – Saturday, 20th March: the general theme will be St Patrick's Night, so please wear something green. The cost is £15.00 per head for a three course meal. Names are being collected after mass today.

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

Contributions for the Bulletin: Please send items to *Godfrey Cheshire* (01676) 532352 or godfreycheshire@btinternet.com by **7.00pm on Wednesday**.

Your prayers are asked for those who are sick and their carers: Monica Pillow, Pauline McNamara, Kate Sutton, Lily May Carr, Ann Wright, Mary Dunne, Jacqueline O'Connor, Teresa Connolly, Bridget Hay, Jim Kiernan, Hannah & Edward Sheehan, Peter Doyle, Mary Keane, Beryl Williams, Fred Stephenson, Paul Musgrave, Ann Tuffey, Peter Howard, Liam McLaughlin, Pascal and all to whom we take Holy Communion.

Lately Dead: Geoffrey Burman (*former resident of Temple Balsall*).

Anniversaries: Glen Burgess (*son of George & Val*), Winifred Ruane (*mother of Carol Beck*), Cyril Smith (*uncle of Godfrey Cheshire*).

Liturgy and Rota arrangements for the coming week

Date:	21st February 2010	28th February 2010
Day and Time:	1 st Sunday of Lent 9.30am	2 nd Sunday of Lent 9.30am
Intention:	Patrick & Winifred Ruane (CB)	Bernard & Winnie White (MC)
Altar servers	Team B	Team C
Celebrant:	Fr Sebastian Arikat	Fr Sebastian Arikat
Wardens:	Christine Harris & Paul O'Donnell	Celine Burleigh & Ciaran McSorley
Readers:	Maureen Carroll & Nuala Fulham	Mary Sharp & Michael Santos
Eucharistic Ministers:	Godfrey Cheshire Monica Green & Kay Pardoe	Carol Beck Mike Fairbrother & Joe Martin
Counting:	Maureen Carroll & Jean Henser	Chris Burleigh & Martin Sheehy
Tea & Coffee:	Bridget Harrison & Eileen Innes	Claire & Charles Keane
Cleaning:	Louise Perry & Monica Green	Godfrey & Linda Cheshire & Eileen Innes
Flowers:	None during Lent	None during Lent
Children's Lit:	None this week	Monica Green & Anne O'Brien
Music:	Linda Cheshire	Instrumental Group
Date & Time:	23 rd February 7.30pm	2 nd March 7.30pm
Intention:	Family Mass	tba

Parish Priest: *Revd Father John Sharp*

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