

Blessed Robert Grissold Catholic Church, Balsall Common

In the Archdiocese of Birmingham Sunday Mass Time 9.30 am.

4th November 2018 – Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

“This is the first commandment. The second is like it”

Pope’s Prayer Intention: Universal: That a spirit of dialogue, encounter, and reconciliation emerge in the Near East, where diverse religious communities share their lives together.

Father Frank. *God is infinite goodness and because he created us in his own image and likeness he commanded that we must love him with our whole heart and love our neighbour as our self. We love God because he is the supreme and infinite goodness. We love ourselves because we are made in the image and likeness of God and since all people possess this same dignity we love them as ourselves - as holy and living images of the Godhead.*

Saints & Feast Days this Week: Blessed George Napier (8th), St Leo the Great ((10th))

Collection: 28th October: Loose plate £89.40, envelopes £93.00, standing orders £390.00, **Total £ 572.40**

Johnson Association. Today there is a second collection, for the Johnson Association. This charity exists for the support of the Secular Clergy of the Archdiocese who, on account of age, infirmity or sickness, need financial help.

Eucharistic Service on Wednesday morning, 7th November at 10.00am when Fr Frank will be saying Mass in St Peter’s School.

Get-together. This Wednesday November 7th. We meet at 10-30am in BRG car park for onward trip to Melbicks garden centre.

Baptism Please pray for *Edward Woodall-Pagan*, who will be baptised here after Mass next week and pray for his parents and godparents that, God may bless, guide and protect them and that by his grace they may be faithful to their Baptismal promises.

Evangelisation Team. Our next meeting for the Warwick Deanery parishes is on Monday 12th November at 7.30pm in the upper Davenport Room, St Peter’s Parish Centre, Dormer Place, Leamington Spa, CV32 5AE. It is hoped that each parish will be represented to help us plan how to share the Good News. Contact: *Peter Dimambro* 01926 428399 mdimambro@hotmail.co.uk

Deanery Mass for Deceased Clergy of the Archdiocese will be held here at Blessed Robert Grissold church on the morning of Tuesday 13th November 2018 at 11.00 am. The Dean will be the celebrant and the priests of the Deanery will concelebrate with him. All welcome.

Millennium Breakfast. Our next breakfast will be after Mass on Sunday 18 November. We will be serving warm croissants, toast and all the usual fare. Fr Ed is currently undergoing medical treatment in this country but hopes to return to Lima at the end of February to continue his work.

Lourdes. *Maureen Carroll, Ros Cawley & Chris Mitchell* returned home on Friday of last week having had a wonderful six days in Lourdes. They remembered you all and lit a candle for you. They thank you for your prayers. Maureen brought back some Lourdes water, so if you would like some, please do ask her.

Christmas Cards and Advent Calendars will be on sale as from next Sunday. All proceeds will go towards Group 83 H.C.P.T.’S Funds.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Thursday evening provides an opportunity for us all to learn of Christ and grow in his life as we pray silently before him in the Blessed Sacrament and meditate on the spiritual teaching of the Church. We continue to follow the life of Our Lord through the mysteries of the Holy Rosary. This week we will be meditating on the Fifth of the Joyful Mysteries, The Finding of Jesus in the Temple. All welcome.

A Message from Archbishop Bernard: *As many of you will already be aware, the Archdiocese of Birmingham will be participating in the Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse (IICSA) at a hearing next month (Nov) in London. IICSA was set up some years ago by the government following a number of high profile and serious cases of historic child abuse. Through its investigations, IICSA is seeking to understand "what went wrong, and why". The Archdiocese has been asked to participate in IICSA's investigations along with other organisations within the Catholic Church. A Pastoral Letter will be read out in all churches today on this matter. If you would like to speak to someone about safeguarding and the Church's work, please call 0121 230 6240 or emergency out-of-hours on 07976 516629. Please pray with us for all victims of abuse, and for all those involved in the work of this important Inquiry.*

Pastoral Letter. If you would like a hard copy of the Archbishop's Pastoral Letter, please see Fr Frank.

All Souls: There are envelopes for your prayer intentions and offerings at the back of the church. Please write the names of your loved ones clearly on a piece of paper and enclose it in the envelope provided, together with your Mass offering. I will name those listed at the Mass of the Solemnity of All Souls and at Masses for the Holy Souls that will be offered throughout the month of November. A tray will be placed by the altar from this Sunday to receive your Mass intentions and offerings.

Book of Remembrance: We are updating the parish Book of Remembrance in preparation for Remembrance Sunday on 11th November. If you would like someone who has died recently to be added to our Book of Remembrance, please complete one of the forms on the lectern on which the Book of Remembrance sits and leave it in the back of the Book. **The Book of Remembrance will be updated after Mass today so please ensure you have completed the form.**

Christmas Raffle: The Christmas Raffle is our biggest fundraiser of the year and we would be very grateful for the donation of Raffle Prizes. We have already been promised some excellent prizes, including meals, afternoon teas and hampers and will happily accept bottles, chocolates, toiletries and vouchers of any description. Please contact *Tracey McAtamney* traceymcatamney@btconnect.com **Tel: 01676 532940 Mobile 0791 8191560.**

Prayers for the Sick: If you would like a name added to the prayers for the sick please complete a consent form and pass to *Father Frank or David Green.*

Your prayers are asked for those who are sick and their carers: Lily Mae Carr, Andrew Lockington, Katya O'Donnell, Consuelo Ramon.

Anniversaries: Dorothy Artingstall, Herbert Bridge, Father Anthony Brisland (*former parishioner of St George & St Teresa*), Herbert Bridge, Jack Cambridge, Lillian Carroll, Margaret Cunningham, Cathy Doolan, Tom Glynn, Deacon Paul Grosvenor (*former Deacon of our parish*), Winnie Kelly, Eleanor McGinn, James McGovern, Kate McGovern, Eric Restall, Canon Patrick Smith (*formerly our Parish Priest*).

Parish Quiz

Saturday 24th November

7.00 for 7.30pm start

Refreshments – Baked Potato with Sausages

Bring your own drinks

Teams of up to six players - £8.00 per player

Please register your team with Godfrey or Linda

This Week's Liturgy and Rota Arrangements

Date & Time: Day:	Sunday, 4 th November – 9.30am Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time	Sunday, 11 th November – 9.30am Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Remembrance Day
Celebrant: Intention:	Father Frank Wiel Hermsen (RIP)	Father Frank Alec Abel (RIP)
Altar Servers:	Ethan & Joe	James
Wardens:	Christine Harris Dominic Green & Irene Gibbons	Ciaran McSorley Celine Burley & John McLellan
Readers:	Chris Burleigh & Andrew Chesshire-Ramon	Nigel Parker & Ian Lester
Eucharistic Ministers:	Carol Beck Nuala Fulham & Eileen Selby	tba
Counting:	Martin Sheehy & Chris Lynn	Ian & Fran Lester
Tea & Coffee:	Anne Stewart & Val Timms	Bridget Harrison & Ann Ostler
Cleaning:	'BLITZ'	Chris Mitchell & Eileen Selby
Flowers:	Grace Brennan	Joan Mclean
Children's Liturgy:	No Liturgy – half-term	Claire & Celine
Music	Ian & Ellie Clarke	Linda Chesshire

This week's services

Date:	Tuesday 6 th Nov	Wednesday 7 th Nov	Thursday 8 th Nov
Time:	10.00am Mass	10.00am Eucharistic Service	7.00pm Mass Followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with meditations and silent prayer for half an hour before Benediction at 8.00pm
Intention:	Lillian Carroll (RIP)	Daniel Webster	Holy Souls

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

Contributions for the Bulletin: Godfrey Chesshire is now compiling the newsletter. Please send items by 7.00pm on Wednesday to godfreycheshire@btinternet.com or call on **01676 532352**

Priest: Revd. Father Frank Smith. Tel : **07512 100908** Email : frankj.smith55@yahoo.co.uk

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Parish website: www.brgparish.org.uk

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