



Blessed Robert Grissold Catholic Church, Balsall Common

26th October 2025, Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"The tax collector went down to his house justified, rather than the Pharisee."

The Pope's Prayer Intention for October: For collaboration between different religious traditions. *Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice, and human fraternity.*

Fr. Frank: *"October, the month of the Rosary continues. Through praying the Rosary, we are invited to contemplate the mysteries at the heart of our faith. This leads us to draw closer to Jesus' life and teaching and helps them to become ever more deeply embedded in our hearts and minds. We can also relate the mysteries of the Rosary to our own lives - applying them to our own spiritual journey and needs. Also, we can name an intention as we pray the Rosary, dedicating our prayer to someone or something - giving thanks to God or exercising love for others by praying for them or asking God's grace for our own personal needs. If anyone requires instruction on how to pray the Rosary, I will be happy to help."*

Today's Readings and Responses: see pages 155 – 157 of the Parish Mass Book.

Weekday Masses and Devotions, all welcome:

- **Midweek Masses:** No midweek mass this week.
- **Confession:** 5.15-5.45pm Saturday at St Francis church or by arrangement.
- **Prayer Group:** 4pm to 5pm Thursdays - Everyone is most welcome.

Last Week's Collections: Loose plate/Envelopes **£87.40**, Standing Orders **£374**, Total **£461.40**.

Second Collection for Missio: **£58.70**.

Second Collection next week: There will be a second collection on 2nd November for the Johnson Association, which supports the sick, infirm and retired priests of the Archdiocese.

Book of Remembrance: We will be updating the Book of Remembrance in the church and on our website in preparation for All Souls. If you would like anyone to be added, please complete one of the forms in the book and leave it on the lectern. Alternatively, you can email the full name of the person along with the date and month of their anniversary to iehclarke@btinternet.com.

All Souls: There will be an opportunity to request Mass Intentions and prayer for the Holy Souls. Please place requests in an envelope with any offerings in the box in front of the Altar. The Mass for the commemoration of all the faithful departed will be on **Monday 3rd November at 6.30pm**.

School Open Morning: St. George & St. Teresa Primary School, Bentley Heath will be having an open morning at **9.15am** on **4th November**.

Churches Together Coffee Morning is held the first Saturday of each month at the Jubilee Centre, 10.30-12.00. All welcome. Blessed Robert Grissold will be hosting on **1st November** – if you can help with refreshments please speak to Louise or John Perry.

Church Deep Clean: On **3rd November** after **11am**, a deep clean of the church will be carried out. All cleaning materials will be provided, we just need your help. We need to get on top of all the jobs that there isn't time to do weekly. This applies to everyone who is free and willing to help. Please notify *Monica Green* or *Louise Perry* if you feel you're able to help.

Quiz Night: Our ever-popular quiz night will return on **22nd November** – put the date in your diary! We need a volunteer to organise the food – please contact Bob & Kathy if you can help.

100 Club: The next draw of the 100 Club will be on **10th December**. There will be more opportunities to sign up after mass in late November – early December. Please watch the bulletin for further details.

Jubilee 2025 - Pilgrims of Hope: To find out more about how your parish, family or school can celebrate the Jubilee Year in our Archdiocese, and how you can participate in events nationally and internationally, visit our Diocesan website: www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/jubilee-year.

Jubilee Tour to Westport, Knock & Co Mayo: 10 November 2025, £799.00 pps. Price includes flight from Birmingham, 10kg hold luggage, 4 nights in 4* Castlecourt Hotel, Westport with dinner, bed & breakfast. Full use of leisure facilities. All entertainment, excursions and transport included. Visit Knock Shrine, Ballintubber Abbey, Fr. Peyton Centre & Kylemore Abbey. Irish music nightly. Single supplement on enquiry. Contact 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.

Anniversaries this week: Catherine Moylan, Frank Britt, Irene Hunka, Harold Jones, Steve Riley, Simon McGrath, Catherine McGovern, Craig Horner, members of the Ellis & Facchino families, Catherine Mailand, Deacon Paul Grosvenor.

Your prayers are asked for those who are sick and their carers: Maggie Ellis, Joan McLean, Edward Thomas and Hope Smith.

*If you would like someone to be named on our list of those who are sick, please contact **David Green** (david.monica@btopenworld.com) or complete the online form (under Parish Life) on our web site.*

Notices for the Bulletin: Please email all notices for the bulletin to **Ellie Clarke** by **7.00 pm on Thursday** at iehclarke@btinternet.com

This Week's Mass and Rota Arrangements at Blessed Robert Grissold:

Date & Time:	26 th October 9.30am	2 nd November 9.30am
Day:	Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Solemnity of All Saints
Celebrant:	Fr. Frank	Fr. Frank
Intention:	James Slattery (Intentions)	David Mcloughlin (RIP)
Wardens:	Christine Horner, Angela Burns & Ann Dodd	Monica Green & Madeleine Peat
Reader:	Nigel Parker	Louise Perry
Tea & Coffee:	Cheshire Family	Christina Plater, Helen Woods & Maria Pulley
Flowers:	Pam Martin	Linda Cheshire
Counting:	Monica Green & Elizabeth Selby	Carol Beck & Andrew Cheshire
Music:	Instrumental Group	Linda Cheshire
Church Cleaning:	Claire & Charles Keane	Louise Perry, Lynda Leigh & Monica Green
Altar Linen:	Monica Green	Chris Lynn
Children's Liturgy:	Half-term – no children's liturgy	Half-term – no children's liturgy
Weekday Mass:	Tuesday 28 th October 7.00 pm Feast of Ss Simon & Jude, Apostles	Monday 3 rd November 6.30pm Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese's policies and procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Monica Green. She can be contacted at: or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 or safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns.

Priest: Revd. Father Frank Smith. Tel: 07512 100908 Email: fr.frank.smith@rcaob.org.uk

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