

St. Thomas', Tean St. Giles', Cheadle St. Wilfrid's, Cotton



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The parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham: Registered Charity No. 234216

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time 28/29th Jan 2012 Year B; Psalter: Week 4

'O that today you would listen to his voice harden not your hearts'

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time: Year B

4.30pm Confessions

5.00 pm (Cheadle) Priest's Intention

We welcome Fr. Denis Connor MHM, who will be speaking on behalf of the APF. He will be encouraging you to take a red box!

Sunday

29th

10.30 am (Cheadle) Priest's Intention

4.00 pm Unity Service Cheadle Methodist Church

5.30 pm (Tean) Priest's Intention

Monday: Feria

30th

9.15 am (Cheadle) Jim Leonard

Tuesday: Memorial: St John Bosco

31st

10.00 am (Cheadle) Eucharistic Service

Wednesday: Feria

1st Feb

9.15 am (Cheadle) Eucharistic Service in House

9.15 am (Tean) Special Intention

Thursday : **FEAST: Presentation of the Lord :
Candlemas**

2nd

9.15(Tean) Special Intention

Friday: Feria: (St. Werburgh / St. Blaise /St. Ansgar)

FIRST FRIDAY:

3rd

6.30 pm (Tean) Special Intention

Saturday: Our Lady on Saturday

4th

10.00 am (Cheadle) Priest's Intention

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 11.00 am

10.30 NO Sacrament of Reconciliation

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time: Year B

4.30pm Confessions

5.00 pm (Cheadle) Priest's Intention

Sunday

5th

10.30 am (Cheadle) People of the Parishes

5.30 pm (Tean) Priest's Intention

**Second Collection: Catholic Education
Council.**

The Holy Father's Mission Intention : January

Dedication to Peace.

That the dedication of Christians to peace may bear witness to the name of Christ before all men and women of good will.

LITURGY

1st Reading: Deut 18 15-20

Psalm 94

2nd Reading : 1 Cor. 7 32-35

Gospel : Mark 1 21-28

DATES TO REMEMBER

Each Wednesday: Journey into

Faith: 7,30 in Parish Room

21st. February: Finance Committee

at 11.30 Guild Hall Meeting: 10.00

22nd. February: ASH WEDNESDAY

23rd February: PARISHES FORUM

at 6.45pm in the Parish Room

2nd April: Property & Maintenance

at Cheadle at 6pm.

Please pray for the sick:

, Fr. Ken Collins, Fr. Tom O'Connor,

Fr. Joe McKenna, Canon Gerry Han-

lon, Fr. Peter Rogers, Christine Bur-

nett, Alban Burton, Freddie Dwyer,

Winifred Birch, Janet Daniels, Veron-

ica Arnold, David Routledge, Alan

Hodgson, Michael Phillips, Barbara-

Anne Nash, Cara Plant, Elsie Bre-

henny, John O'Leary, Sheila Murray,

Edna Carr, Geoffrey Brown, Dorothy

Swift, Marion Pilling, Pam Howfield,

Pat Ryan, Ellen Thompson, Ron

Mawer, Josie Coates. Alan Johnson,

Isabel Finney, Chris Keates. John

O'Callaghan, Beryl Trowell, Beatty

Gilbert, John Bowler, Pat Barthelemy,

Beryl Dean, Jill Jervis, .

Rest in Peace

Gladys Collier, John Howfield, Fr.

Kevin Harris, Fr. Gregory Winter-

ton, all who have died recently

and those with anniversaries,

falling at this time.

Lord Jesus Christ, you make us a new creation by the power of your word of salvation. Make us eager and attentive listeners. We ask you who live and reign with God the Father and the Holy Spirit; one God for ever and ever. Amen.

Thought for the Week

"Blessed are you Father for revealing the mysteries of the Kingdom to mere children" says our gospel acclamation. Jesus reveals to us the mysteries of God. A mystery is not something we can never grasp or understand but rather, it is that which we would not know unless God had revealed it to us. Today in the gospel we have the image of Jesus teaching on the Sabbath in the synagogue. His listeners did not know that he the Christ, only that he was a teacher; but his teaching was different to the scribes, it was revealing something of the mystery of God himself and was given with authority. The possessed man – or rather Satan through him-recognised God at work and realises that Jesus has come to destroy evil and restore the Kingdom. Jesus silences him and casts out the evil spirit to the astonishment of the crowd. In this he reveals more of the mystery of God and they ponder on this "new" teaching. The Psalmist calls to Israel to harden not their hearts and put God to the test as they had done while wandering the wilderness between their rescue from slavery in Egypt and the arrival in the Promised land. Jesus echoes that call as he teaches and heals during his ministry. Faith is believing without fully understanding. Let us pray this week that Christ will strengthen our faith and help our understanding that we may see more clearly what it is he reveals to us.



WEEKEND MASSES;

Saturday: 5.00 p.m. at Cheadle

Sunday: 10.30: at Cheadle

5.30 at Tean .

St. Thomas of Canterbury

Parish lottery

For the past few years we have joined with St. Giles' and St. Wilfrid's to promote a combined lottery. The prizes are drawn each month and the stake is £1 per month. You could pay monthly or (better for us) pay the £12 in one instalment. It is our regular source of income over the year and really does make a difference. The licence covers all 3 parishes (to save cost) and is in St. Giles' name but the profits are split according to how many each parish sells. If you are paying by cheque, therefore, make out the cheque to "St. Giles' Catholic Parish". John Smith will be collecting the subscriptions over the next 3 weeks. Any other information you need, see him or ring 722464.

If you have any other ideas, please, please let us know. together we can make it work!

Fr. Gregory Winterton C.O. of the Birmingham Oratory died with the Little Sisters at Harborne on 18th January. When Blessed John Henry Newman was beatified, he was presented to the Pope at Cofton Park. For 40 years, he had kept Newman's cause on the boil, through the Friends of Cardinal Newman and publicity. For 20 years, he was Provost of the Oratory. I have known him for over 50 years, and was present at his Ordination in 1963. He was the son of General Winterton of Trieste fame, and in early life was an Anglican Priest, becoming a Catholic in 1955. I suspect that a number of you will have known him and valued his immense kindness and support.. He was buried at Rednal last Tuesday. R.I.P.

Fr. Tony Joyce has now left us for Spain and will return in the Summer. He thanks you for your great kindness and support. Both of us at this time visit friends near Alicante and then take part in the Patronal Feast of the village of Pedreguer, north of Benidorm, where we have friends. He then goes by train to Valladolid, while come back at the end of the week by plane, so as to knuckle under again!! Praise be. In emergency, Fr. David from Cresswell will help, bless him.

RED BOXES: Many thanks to all Red Box Holders. In the parishes £630 was collected during 2011.

The Year of PUGIN: Please note: God's own Architect on BBC 4 was indeed very splendid, and I hope that it will be repeated in due time. Much is being planned, including a Flower Festival at the end of August, a visit from Archbishop Bernard and a Deanery Mass on 26th. September. All will be revealed in due course.

SV.P. Those in need of help should contact Adrian Hackett on 752081 The Society meets monthly on a Tuesday evening.

Dom Dyfrig (Kevin) Harris died in hospital on Monday. A monk of Belmont, he served here in the early 90-s. RIP.

Prayer for CHRISTIAN UNITY: The theme is 'We will all be changed' . A UNITED SERVICE will be held on Sunday, 29th January at 4pm in the Methodist Church, to celebrate Christian Unity Week even though it is after the actual week range. That is this Sunday afternoon..

APF Mill Hill MISSION APPEAL: A big welcome to Fr. Denis O'Connor to our churches. Fr. Denis will be making the 5 yearly APF-MISSION Appeal for NEW MEMBERS. He will explain how we can all be involved in the Mission of the Church in our homes and families. Jesus ask his followers to 'go and bring the Good News to all people.' By responding to Fr. Denis's appeal this weekend, we can truly be a parish 'involved in the Mission of the Universal Church.' A number of parishioners regular contribute to the APF, by having their little RED BOXES in their homes. It would be fantastic if every home was involved in this work of the Church by supporting Missionaries throughout the world. 'Truly nothing is more beautiful than to know Christ and to make him known to others.' Pope Benedict xvi

Message from the Dean, Fr. Peter Wetherby: In the first few months of 2012 there will be three parishes, (five churches) in the Deanery without priests while new appointments are awaited. It is impossible for these posts to be filled quickly and for priests to be found to cover all the masses which are currently offered. In close consultation with Bishop David and the Vicar General, the clergy of the Deanery will work together to make sure that there is one mass of the Sunday obligation in each church without its own priest. It will not be possible provide more than one mass for these Churches. The Dean is responsible for ensuring the supply of priests for these five masses every weekend. The difficulty of providing even this should not be underestimated. Please pray earnestly for vocations."

A Pastoral Message from Fr. Sandy: A further note. As you will now be aware, Bede Walsh is appearing in court in Stoke-on-Trent.. There will inevitably be media coverage which we may all find difficult. Diocesan Press Officer: Peter Jennings can be reached on 0121 427 2780 / 07967 639556. You are welcome to contact him. It is he who makes comments where needed.

The only statement that can be made at the moment is:

The Archdiocese of Birmingham has co-operated fully with the Police and will continue to do so. As this matter is now the subject of legal proceedings it is not possible or appropriate for the Archdiocese to make any further comment at this time.

If you feel that it would be of help to talk to someone about the situation please contact our Diocesan Safeguarding Co-ordinator, Jane Jones on: 0121 230 6240 during Office hours or on 07976516629

Archbishop Bernard assure us all of his prayers and our parish communities during this period, which can be so difficult for us as Catholics. Please pray for all those who will be affected in any way by this court case.

CYCLE OF PRAYER:

Diocesan Intentions

Peace on earth # Christian Unity # The sick and those who care for them # Students and teachers # The unemployed.

Pope 's General Intention: January

. That the victims of *natural disasters* may receive the spiritual and material comfort they need to rebuild their lives.

Prayer Services in Residential Homes

Beech Lodge: 19th Jan 23rd Feb Thurs at 2.15 pm
Church Terrace: 17th Feb 16 Mar Fri at 3.30
Daisy Bank : 25th Jan 29th Feb 4th April Weds at 2.00 pm

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION - every two months on Mondays at 7.30pm at the Presbytery, Next meeting: 6th February 2012, which is tomorrow.

Staffordshie Moorlands Cancer Support Group:

Contact Ron on 752266 or Diane on 750485 Terry on 724156, Robert ib 266358. 'We offer supportive listening, information and practical support to anyone affected by cancer.' Meetings on the 3rd Thursday of the month. <http://www.smcsgr-cheadlebranch.co.uk>

Readers St Giles

Please note that if you are unable to attend please find a substitute reader.

29th Jan	H Lowndes	Sun S Glass
4th Feb	J Blackburn	Sun FAMILY MASS
11th Feb	H Lowndes	Sun M Downie

Book of Remembrance: It is our turn again to enshrine this Book in our Church this year. It is now in place in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel alongside our own case of Remembrance. You are most welcome to open it and turn the pages. Keep them in your prayers,

DAYS OF RECOLLECTION: They have resumed. Ring Fr. David on 07765 931126

Parish Finances

St Giles': £443.47 gift aid £225.70

St Thomas' £215.69 gift aid £120.20 (15.01)
£181.31 gift aid: £77.00 (22.01)

PARISHES' FORUM: It seems best to arrange the Forum for Thursday, 23rd February at 6.45 pm in the Parish Room at Cheadle. Mass will be at 6. The Pastoral Letter would have been read the previous weekend, we should have some idea about finances. More again next week-end.