

MASSES AND SERVICES

16th June– Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

This weekend there will be a second collection for the Day for Life.

Saturday	5.30pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	8.45am	Catherine Moroney RIP (EMB)
	10.30am	Rod Bowld RIP (D&I M)
	4.00pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament – Quiet Hour

Weekday Services

17.6 Mon	10.00am	Feria Richard Evans RIP (ME)
18.6 Tue	12.30pm	Funeral Sheila Randall RIP
19.6 Wed	10.00am	Feria Debbie Burrell Int (KH)
20.6 Thu	10.00am	St Alban Eamon Rowley RIP (ME)
21.6 Fri	10.00am	St Aloysius Neil Roy RIP (S&A M)
22.6 Sat	10.00am	Ss John Fisher and Thomas More John Mitchell RIP (KW)

23rd June– Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday	5.30pm	Rena Murray RIP (JM)
Sunday	8.45am	People of the Parish
	10.30am	Clive Foster
	4.00pm	Due to Party NO Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament – Quiet Hour.

Exposition Sunday 4pm – 5pm

Confession Saturday morning 9.15am – 9.45am

Rosary – Monday to Saturday 9.35am

Divine Mercy Chaplet – Friday after Mass

CHURCH CLEANING

This week	D Morgan	P Hogan
Next week	H Grosvenor	S Chester

READERS

	5.30pm	8.45am	10.30am
This week	T / J Taylor	G Moroney Barnett	N Ritmeyer
Next week	J Musgrave	Yr 4	J McDonald

Parish Priest: Fr John Cross

Deacon: Rev Mr Stephen Saum, Rev Dr Subhi Zora. Priest in Residence: Fr Paul Dean,

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**ST. GEORGE & ST. TERESA CATHOLIC
CHURCH
DORRIDGE**

**16th June 2024
11th Sunday - Day for Life**

Dear Parishioners,

Last week I attended a Synod for Priests at a conference centre in Leamington. The title was "The Joy of the Priesthood". Over a hundred priests from around the Diocese discussed the challenges of priesthood in 2024. In randomly formed discussion groups of seven priests we were given 3 minutes each to present our views. It was good to listen as we shared our thoughts and experiences. Over a period of 3 days from Tuesday to Thursday we prayed and reflected on our ministry. By the end we all felt renewed and refocussed for the challenges to come.

Last weekend I asked you to choose a time between 8.45am and 11am for a single Sunday Mass during the summer. I haven't yet looked at the results. I do hope you will think not only about what is most convenient for you but what is best for us all. As my recent conference experience reminds me, we must embrace change however difficult and challenging it is.

Speaking of change I want to tell you that our two parish catechists Isabel and Christine have retired after 30 years of giving instructions for First Holy Communion and Confirmation. They have prepared hundreds of children for these Sacraments and on behalf of the parish I thank them for their generosity. Now we have no catechists for these Sacraments and I ask you to pray with me for another generous soul or a group of generous souls to offer an hour a week during term time in the run up to the Sacrament to share their faith. There are many resources available. Please listen hard for the voice of the Lord as he calls each one of us to share our faith and build his Church.

Many thanks also to our school catechists who prepared 28 children for their First Holy Communion. It was a joyful Mass and also the following day on Sunday morning for the Thanksgiving Mass.

The weather next weekend for our Summer Party is going to be warm according to the long-range forecast with temperatures of 21 degrees C on 23rd June. I look forward to seeing you.

Longer range dates for your diary (as I mentioned at Mass last weekend) 2025 will be the 90th anniversary of the building of St George and St Teresa of the Child Jesus Catholic Church. It is also a Jubilee Year in the Church. Let us prepare to celebrate everything the Church has given us, what we have received and what we are called to give.

Every Blessing, Fr John

Knowle, Dorridge and Bentley Heath Churches Together

Meriden and Solihull East Hastings

an opportunity to question the candidates standing in **your** constituency

Tuesday 25th June at 6pm

St Philips Church

Voters in the constituency **ONLY**,
please **BRING YOUR POLLING CARD** to gain admission

Questions to be submitted in advance to
parish.office@stphilipsandstjames.org
No questions will be accepted on the night



Help needed with Carpet in Narthex: You may have noticed that near the Piety Stall, the carpet is riding up and forming a bump - we need to flatten our carpet! Does anyone in the Parish have the skills to cut a carpet to flatten it or have a contact who could come in and advise us? If you know of anyone, please approach Father John.

Ukrainian Afternoon Tea Wednesday 19th June 2.30. Our afternoon tea this coming week will be a Ukrainian Afternoon Tea! This will be a special afternoon which is being organised by our Ukrainian friends who have been coming to our afternoon teas throughout this year and they have agreed to do this for us (and give our usual helpers the afternoon off to enjoy the tea themselves!) In addition we will have entertainment from a local Ukrainian singer and guitarist Nadiya Fot. This will, as always, be a free event but there will be an opportunity to make a donation or buy gifts from Nick, as usual. So we will look forward to seeing as many of you as possible. For any further information please email svpstgt@btinternet.com or contact Steve on 07740 935527.

PARISH BARBECUE - Extended opportunity to sign up! We have 130 so far but now have until Monday 17th to advise Lyons of final numbers so please add your name to the list in the narthex this weekend if you wish to come, but haven't signed up yet. Alternatively please email svpstgt@btinternet.com or phone Steve on 07740 935527.

Sunday 23rd June 12.45pm for 1.30pm start: Food Eric Lyons will provide pulled pork or Jumbo hot dogs - with fried onions and sauces, or XL steak burgers - large steak burger with onions and cheese and sauces or vegetarian option. Cost: £10 per adult and £5 for children. Please provide your own drinks.

Some tables and chairs will be provided but please bring your own if you are able and if it will help these can be left in the parish centre after Masses that weekend.

Chandos Choir are having a Summer Concert at Shirley Methodist Church on Saturday, 29th June 2024 at 7.30 pm. It will consist of Songs and Sonnets (words by Shakespeare and Music by Sir George Shearing) along with The Sprig of Thyme English Folk Songs arranged by John Rutter. The cost is £15.00 (includes programme). Under 18s free.

General Election: The Bishops' Conference have created a webpage on their website with information about the issues important to Catholics. His Grace would be grateful if you would encourage your parishioners to visit the page www.cbcew.org.uk/election24/

Makes Me Smile 😊 😊 A group of road tarmacers disappeared last weekend, police sent out search parties but no joy, luckily enough they resurfaced this morning.

Went for a job interview at IKEA. They handed me a Flat Pack and said, "have a seat!"

I found a Land Rover grill in my front garden this morning. It was a bit of a discovery.

Instructions on the bottle of bleach said, 'always keep away from children.' Bit difficult being that I'm a teacher.

I had to stop making clothes from cheese, I found that fromage frais.

Not sure what to buy my father, whose an opera singer for his birthday, I mean, what can you buy for a tenor nowadays?

I asked the librarian for a play by Shakespeare. "Which one?" She asked, "William" I replied.

What do you say to a Llama that loves picnics? Alpaca lunch.

JACK: "Would you punish me for something I didn't do?"

TEACHER: "Of course not."

JACK: "Good, because I haven't done my homework." 😊 😊

Offertory: 9.6.24:

Gift Aid Envelopes £332, Loose Plate £290. Av standing order and online p.w. £680.
Many thanks for your generosity. Mass attendance: 288.

Have you registered as a parishioner of this parish? Or have you changed your phone, address or email details. Help us to keep our records up to date. Forms in narthex.

✠ *Please pray for*

The housebound or sick: Tony Parsons, Rod Goodman, Dr John Martin, Joe Stephens, Michael Grosvenor, Dorothy Perkins, Jill Baynham, Matthew Gallagher, Jane Cotter, Margaret Cosgrove, Tessa Waters as well as our parishioners in hospital and nursing homes.

Recently Deceased: Margaret Cunningham RIP.

Sheila Randall RIP: Her funeral will take place on Tuesday 18th June at 12.30pm. May her soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Anniversaries (this week) from the last 20 years: Sheila Browne, Rosemary Dawson, Geraldine Grace. *May the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.*

Parish Centre News. Timetable for next week on the noticeboard. If you are having a family occasion, please consider booking our hall for your venue. **It is important that users of the Parish Centre arrange bookings (and payments for non-Parish Events) through Oksana Zurak 07967-846-963 or oksanazurak@gmail.com**

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese's policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Sandy Walmsley and Daphne Morgan. They can be contacted at: sg.stgeorge-steresa.dorrige@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 / safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.