

Sacred Heart Parish

Weekly
Newsletter

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Dear Parishioners,

This newsletter is for 2 weeks, so please keep it safe.

So that we have an exact idea of how we are doing with Our Dream, the quarterly bank balance for the end of March, June, September and December is published in the newsletter. But since I'll be in Turkey on the parish pilgrimage when the September bank statement arrives, this is the bank balance for August. On 31st August the bank balance was: -£28,805.64 overdrawn. And that's magnificent when you think that we started off with a debt of somewhere around £76,000! So we've paid off almost £50,000!! WELL DONE EVERONE. We are well on target to clear the debt and have the Church consecrated and now we really can see the light getting brighter at the end of the tunnel. May I thank you all so much for your hard work and all your support. For the Parish Pilgrimage we shall be away for 9 days from Tuesday 4th to Wednesday 12th October. The Saturday 5.00pm and Sunday 10.30am Masses on 8th/9th October will be said by Fr Jimmy Lutwama from St Mary's and the 9.00am mass on Sunday 9th will be said by Fr Andrew Franklin from Christ the King. (There's Mass before we go at 5.30am on Tuesday morning, and you're all very welcome to come to the Mass!)



**Study
Groups**

When we return David Hunt will be starting his scripture course on **Thursday 13th October at 7.30pm in the**

Hall. When was the bible written? by who? What does it all mean—especially the Old Testament? This will be on every Thursday and should be really excellent—so keep Thursdays clear in your diaries.

God Bless,

Fr. Tony.

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A.) 2nd October, 2011 (Parish Mass Book, p80.)	
Saturday 5.00pm	Special Intention M.D. (Anne)
Sunday 9.00am	Susan Parker, R.I.P. (Mrs O'Toole.)
Sunday 10.30am	For all the people of the Parish.
Monday 9.00am	Patricia Varney and Dennis George (M. George.)
Wednesday 5.45pm 6.30pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Eucharistic Service.
Thursday 9.00am	Eucharistic Service.
Friday 9.00am	Eucharistic Service.
Saturday 8.15am 9.00am	Exposition of the Blessed sacrament. Eucharistic Service.
28th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A.) 9th October, 2011 (Parish Mass Book, p80.)	
Saturday 5.00pm	Walter Scott, R.I.P.
Sunday 9.00am	For all the people of the Parish
Sunday 10.30am	Walter Scott, R.I.P. (Pauline Sparkes)
Wednesday 12th October 5.45pm 6.30pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Eucharistic Service.
Thursday 13th October 9.00am Mass.	Brendan Gilroy, R.I.P.
Friday 14th October 9.00am Mass	Joseph Ryan, R.I.P.
Saturday 15th October 8.15am 9.00am Mass	Saint Teresa, Virgin Exposition of the Blessed sacrament Mgr Peter Stonier, R.I.P.
29th Sunday in Ordinary Time (A.) 16th October, 2011 (Parish Mass Book, p84.)	
Saturday 5.00pm	Ernie and Veronica Mills, R.I.P.
Sunday 9.00am	David Griffin, R.I.P.
Sunday 10.30am	For all the people of the Parish.



An Induction Loop System is provided in the church to assist Hearing Aid Users. Please switch your Hearing Aid to 'T' position.



BABY CHANGING UNIT
Provided in the Disabled Toilet.



Please switch off all mobile phones in Church. Thank you.

Last week's Offertory: £761.81 [Gift-Aid envelopes: £180.55 Non Gift-Aid: £350.00 Bank Credits: £231.26] Collection for Fr Hudson's Society: £322.78 Thank you all so much, especially in these difficult times. 500 Club 1st prize: £225.00 No. 949 Celine McCrea; 2nd prize £40.00 No. 760 Maureen Curtin; 3rd prize: £20.00 No. 585 K. Whittaker. **Next Weekend** we have the CAFOD Family Fast Day collection. Envelopes are available as you leave Mass. **On 15th/16th October** we have the October collection towards our Dream.

Counters this week: Team B. (10th October Team C)
Church Cleaners: Team A (10th October team B)

The New Translation. Last week we sold out of the CTS booklets of the New Translation at the Saturday Mass so more are on order and when they arrive we'll keep some of these for the Sunday Mass goers

Fr. Laurence Freeman OSB has accepted an invitation to speak on the subject of 'Roots of Silence' - A Contemplative Preparation for Advent. This will take place on Tuesday 25th. October at 7:30 p.m. in St. Thomas More Church, Coventry. This is an excellent opportunity to hear an internationally known speaker on contemplative prayer.

Red 'Missio' Boxes. Can all box-holders please bring your boxes to Church for emptying. Also, the Autumn "Mission Today" magazine is now available on the newspaper table.

Parish Visiting Team. We do need more volunteers, especially young adults. (Not everyone who needs a visit is an older person!) If anyone is interested in joining the Visiting Team, please see me after Mass. Many Thanks.

Prayer Group will meet again on 4th October.

Hearts and Rainbows Toddler Group meet every Tuesday morning in the Hall.

Baptisms--- If anyone wishes to arrange a baptism,

please talk to the Baptism team after 10.30am Mass any Sunday.

7-day candles: 1st—8th October 2011.

Sacred Heart: Special Intention (A.B.); Thanksgiving (A.B.); Susan Parker, R.I.P.

Our Lady: Thanksgiving (A.B.); Thanksgiving (M. Keenan); Special Favours (M. Keenan.)

Please remember in your prayers Sue Timothy, Eunan MacIntyre Junior, Richard Griffiths, May and Joe Gregory, Donald Cunningham, Debbi Cathro, Vincent Clohessey, Maureen Dingley, Celine Ryan, Bridie McAndrew, Benny McAndrew, Martin McAndrew, Flavio Tangioni, Joyce Cave, Roderick Lomas, Bridie Murdoch, Henry Connolly, Susan Jess, Norman Walton, Catrina Murphy, Bernadette Norman, Rose Hale, Olly Hickey, Colleen Bowler, Seamus Pepper, Phyllis Gill, Jim Ward, Brige Sutton, Tess Whatley, Edith Beaudout, and all who are sick, for the repose of the souls of Elizabeth Smythe and all who have died and for all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

"Could you join Team CAFOD?" The Great Birmingham Run on Sunday 23rd October 2011 is the Midland's biggest half marathon, and CAFOD are looking for runners to raise funds for CAFOD. Whether you're a keen runner or someone looking for a new challenge, CAFOD needs you! For more details please contact the CAFOD office: birmingham@cafod.org.uk or 01922 722944"

On the paper stall you will find prayer cards for all those training for the priesthood for our diocese. Please take one home with you. The idea is that we pray for a different student on each day of the month.

Our Parish Prayer.

Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and rebuild the face of our parish family. Renew what is weary and worn, restore what is old and stale; reclaim what has been lost. Fill us with your gifts; gifts to speak, gifts to love, gifts to heal, gifts to bind up broken hearts and rebuild your people.