

IF YOU WOULD LIKE SOMEONE TO BE PRAYED FOR BY THE PARISH PLEASE LET FATHER DAVID, A PARISH SISTER OR A CHURCH WARDEN KNOW

Funerals: **Len Prothero** Wednesday 20th June 11.00am followed by burial (North Walsall) reception into Church Tuesday 19th June 6.00pm, **Baby Rebekah** Tuesday 26th June 10:30am followed by burial (Willenhall Lawn), **Catherine Annie Fallows** Thursday 28th June 10:30am followed by burial (North Walsall) reception into Church Wednesday 27th June 6.00pm

Please pray for those who have died: Baby Rebekah, Len Prothero, Cath Fallows, Kathleen Gill

Please keep in your prayers: Melanie Keenan, Pat O'Loan, Mary McCrank, Bernard Turner, Zofia Przybylko, Margaret David, Cyril Nugent, Peter Partridge, Sister Francis Sculley, Christine Watson, Veronica Raybould, Fr. Tim Burke, Margaret Keogh, Edna Penman, Sarah Smith, Jim Malachy, Jess Pandya, Loiuise Lyons, Fiona McNabb, Alice Plant, Alan Marshall, Irene Lee, Geraldine McCarthy, John & Bridie McDonagh, Jane McDonagh, Margaret Hunt, Alan Steven, Sandra Millard, Mary Hawthorne, Andrew Hughes, Rita Sargent, Mrs. Bloomfield, Carol Price, Tricia Smith, Phyllis Powell, Mary Wright, Peter Ball, John Chapman, Canon Gerry Breen

PRAYER OF SAINT RICHARD OF CHICHESTER

Thanks be to thee, my Lord Jesus Christ for all the benefits Thou hast given me, for all the pains and insults Thou hast borne for me. O most merciful Redeemer, friend and brother, may I know Thee more clearly, love thee more dearly, follow thee more nearly. Amen. *(A Post-Communion Prayer)*

JOB VACANCY

Cardinal Griffin Catholic College Cannock is looking to recruit an Administration Data Officer for the Assistant Headteacher (21.5 hours, term-time, Mon-Fri). Candidates should **contact Mrs. H. Tapper (01543 502215)**. Deadline: 9am Mon 2nd July.

CONFESSIONS: Sat 10.00 to 10.45am or by appointment

ADORATION: Fri 9.00am—9.45am ('Prayer for Priests') & Sat 9.45-10.45am

BAPTISMS: Sun at 11:45am by appointment **ROSARY:** 20 mins before mass

REFRESHMENTS: After Sat 11:00am and Sun 10:00am Masses. **All Welcome**

MARIAN DEVOTIONS: Glories of Mary Prayer Group—Fri 2.00pm Parish Hall

CHOIR: Sing at 10.00am mass and all major celebrations. **Anyone can join.**

**** CHILDREN'S LITURGY **:** During Sun 10:00am Mass

DIVINE MERCY FLOWER TRIBUTE

"HAPPY FATHER'S DAY to all fathers. May you be inspired by God our Father!"

PLEASE TAKE AWAY THE NEWSLETTER TO SHARE WITH OTHERS
This newsletter can be received via email—see Parish Website

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PARISH

Saturday 16th June/Sunday 17th June

B: Yearly Cycle
II: Weekly Cycle

NEWSLETTER

11th Sunday Ordinary Time

III: Euch. Prayer
III SUNDAYS: Pref.

HYMN NOS. Entrance **177** Offertory **23** Communion **383** Recessional **738**



FIFA WORLD CUP
RUSSIA 2018

Billions of people will tune in to watch the World Cup over the next four weeks. Every nation, and we

have many nationalities in our own community, English, Polish, Nigerian, Cameroonian, etc, will be supporting fervently their own teams. Pope Francis and Fr. David will be supporting Argentina! However, Pope Francis had this to say about sport: "In the midst of sport, we are able to focus on what unites us – a love for the game. When we are focused on this love, the chance for a dialogue is created. The dialogue *can* help contribute to a peaceful world. The hope being we put our differences aside to enter into the event". Jesus uses the Parable of the Sower to explain how God's love is at work (Mk 4:26-34). In other words, human activity like sowing seeds can point to or speak about God's work in the world. As such the human activity of sport in general and the World Cup in particular can point to or speak about God's love for us. **In Jesus, God came into the world to unite the human race by crossing all boundaries of division through love.** Sport *can* be a powerful parable or language that *on occasion*, as Pope Francis says, "extends across borders, language, race, religion and ideology; it possesses the capacity to unite people, together, by fostering dialogue and acceptance" and thus point to or speak about God's desire for the human race to be a united family.

MASS TIMES, FEAST DAYS and MASS INTENTIONS

Mass cards and intention envelopes are available from the Piety Stall and Sacristy

Sat 16 Jun	11.00am	Opt. Memoria of St. Richard of Chichester	Cath Fallows RIP
Sat 16 Jun	5.30pm	11th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Vigil)	Stella Coussens special int. Edyta & Chris Srebnik marriage anniv.
Sun 17 Jun	10.00am	11th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Chris Lawlor (10th anniversary)
Mon 18 Jun	6.00pm	Feast of Dedication of St. Chad's Cathedral (Mass in IHM Convent)	Miss SW Kelly int.
Tue 19 Jun	10.00am	<i>Feria</i> in Ordinary Time	Katie Hayward ints.
Tue 19 Jun	6.00pm	Reception into Church	Len Prothero RIP
Wed 20 Jun	8.40am	Mass in St. Thomas More School	Peace in the world
Wed 20 Jun	11.00am	Requiem Mass	Len Prothero RIP
Thu 21 Jun	9.30am	Mass in St. Peter's School	Cecylia Pawinski int.
Fri 22 Jun	10.00am	Feast of Ss. John Fisher & Thomas More	Suffering Church (in Syria)
Sat 23 Jun	11.00am	Our Lady on Saturday	Mass in honour of St. Philomena
Sat 23 Jun	5.30pm	Solemnity of John the Baptist (Vigil)	Ted Salt RIP/Stella Coussens birthday thanksgiving
Sun 24 Jun	10.00am	Solemnity of John the Baptist	Ian and Liz Payne—25th Wedding Anniversary

Question: If I am living a good life, why should I pray?

To answer this you must first ask: "What is a good life?" From the perspective of God, no human life can be completely good if that life has excluded God, because God made us to know and love Him. When someone is just doing what they are doing then the principle focus is on their own activity—they are number one, not God. Just doing stuff does not make us good. Time set aside for prayer does not take away from our productivity. Emeritus Archbishop of Liverpool Kelly said that "the more time you give to God in prayer, the more time God gives you back". Indeed God says: "I am like an evergreen cypress, from me comes your fruit" (Hos 14:8). Therefore, our productivity our fruitfulness comes from God. The goodness of our life has its source in God and prayer.

Last Sunday's Collection		Counting Team	PARISH CENTRE BOOKING Please contact George Pitt 07926 636159 or www.stpetersbloxwich.org.uk/booking.html
Gift Aid	£269.00	This week H	
Non-Gift Aid	£526.34	Next week N	
2nd Collection	None	Jun Standing Orders	
		End of month	The value of your donation is increased 25% if Gift-Aided - forms available from sacristy <i>Thank You!</i>

DATA PROTECTION FOR GIFT AID: The information you give will be held securely and only used for making Gift Aid repayments. It will not be used for marketing nor shared with, or sold to, any other organisation.

PIETY STALL: Rosaries, Mass Cards, Statues, Prayer Cards etc (Also available from sacristy)

THANK YOU

To the teachers and catechists who prepared the children for their First Holy Communion. Also 'thanks' to the Union of Catholic Mothers who provided the refreshments after the mass and the flower arrangers and those who repaired the kneeler.

THIS SUNDAY—DAY FOR LIFE

This weekend's **2nd collection** is for this year's **Day for Life to help all those who are suffering or have survived human trafficking**. Pope Francis has said: "The trade in human beings violates the God given dignity of so many of our brothers and sisters, and constitutes a true crime against humanity". Just this week Hungary jailed a trafficking gang that let 71 men, women and children suffocate to death and decompose in a sealed lorry in Austria after taking their money in 2015. Jesus said "I have come that you may have life, and have it to the full" (Jn 10:10). Many do not have this fullness of life because they are traded as objects and not viewed as persons. The collection today enables the Church to fund the Anscombe Bioethics Centre as well as other projects which work to protect life at every stage and in every condition. For more information please see www.dayforlife.org. Please also take a prayer card from the Church entrances.

NEXT WEEK (2nd Collection) —

PETER'S PENCE

This is the Pope's personal charity.

RED BOXES

'Red boxes' to be counted after 10.00am Mass on Tues 19th. **Counters needed!**

FOOD BANK UPDATE

The Food Bank will opening in the next few weeks at the VILLAGE CENTRE in THAMES ROAD, BLAKENALL. Initially it will open on Thursday. If there are enough volunteers it will extend to Wednesday. We have 5 volunteers from St. Peter's. If anyone would like to help please see Sue Kennedy. Fr. David will have an emergency store of food boxes for when the Food Banks are closed.

BLACK COUNTRY CHUCKLE

(From a parishioner's book) A Tipton boy who had never been on any boat but a canal boat, was taken on a steamer during a seaside holiday. Eyeing the craft from the harbour he said: "Where's the oss?"

YOUTH SUMMER CAMPS

29th July—2nd August

There are 20 places left for this summer camp. Do you know anyone not in a Catholic School who would benefit from this opportunity? The week is full of high adrenaline activities, inspirational talks, moving times of prayer, making new friends in small groups, a full day at Alton Towers and daily access to the sacraments.

5th August—9th August

There are 37 places left for this summer camp. Do you know a young person aged 11-17 (Yr 7 and over). Who would benefit from a Catholic Lifeteen summer camp. Bursaries available for families that need assisting with funding.

For more information about this please visit our website <http://bcys.co.uk/> Or email our camp leader **Beccy Roseman** on beccy.roseman@kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk