

**St. Ignatius** came from a family of minor nobility in Spain's northern Basque region. One thing to know about Ignatius is that he was far from saintly during much of his young adult life. He was vain, with dreams of personal honour and fame. He gambled and was not above sword fighting. As some have noted, he might have been the only saint with a notarized police record: for taking part in a night time brawl.

All that began to change one day in the spring of 1521. Ignatius was 30 years old at the time, an officer in the Spanish army. Leading his fellow soldiers into a battle against the French that they were sure to lose, he was struck by a cannonball in the leg. During a difficult recovery (he limped for the rest of his life), the young man asked for books about chivalry — his favourite reading. There weren't any at the family castle where he convalesced. He had to settle for a book about the life of Christ and biographies of the saints — which he found unexpectedly riveting.

St. Ignatius had always dreamed of imitating heroic deeds, but now, the heroes had names like Francis of Assisi and Catherine of Siena. Ignatius also noticed something strange happening to him. God, he realized, was working within him — prompting, guiding, inviting. As he travelled far and wide, he realized too that God was similarly at work in the lives of all people, in the everyday events of the world.

These experiences would prove to be the beginnings of Ignatian spirituality — and Jesuit ministry. While in Paris, Ignatius gathered around him some friends or "companions," as they became known. Together they made religious vows in 1534 and came to call themselves the Compañía de Jesús — the Society of Jesus. Six years later, the order was granted official approval by the pope.

The early Jesuits fanned out to the metropolises of Europe and beyond. They did so with instructions from Ignatius, their leader in Rome, to "seek the greater glory of God" and the good of all humanity. They devoted themselves to the care of souls, to helping people discern God's presence in their lives.

<http://jesuits.org/spirituality?PAGE=DTN-20130520125033>

### ADVERTISEMENTS

Cleaning and ironing (carried out in your own home). Contact Francesca Thompson to enquire about rates of charge and availability on: 01562 770072 or 07974 092720.

Lawn Mowing/Garden clearing work to be done? Contact Tom Goodyear to enquire about rates of charge and availability on: 07824 696929

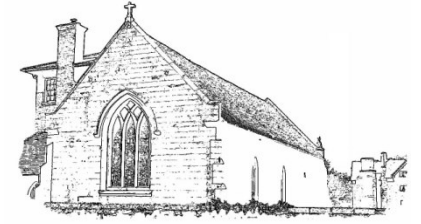
**EMERGENCY EXIT:** This is via the sacristy and through the house

**GIFT AID:** Miss Amalia Costanzo 01562 751657

**SAFEGUARDING:** Mrs J Lloyd 01562 754448

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The Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham

### Times of Holy Mass and Intentions (YEAR A Readings)

<b>Sunday 30 July</b> 8.30 am - 10.30 am -	<b>Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> For the people of the Parish Doreen Millard R.I.P.
<b>Monday 31 July</b> 8.30 am -	<b>Memorial of St Ignatius of Loyola</b> Rogier Adey R.I.P.
<b>Tuesday 1 August</b>  8.30 am -	<b>Memorial of St Alphonsus Mary de'Ligouri, Bishop, Doctor of the Church</b> Doreen Millard R.I.P.
<b>Wednesday 2 August</b> 8.30 am - 9.00 am -	<b>Feria in Ordinary Time</b> Private Intention #Discussion Group in The Stable
<b>Thursday 3 August</b> 11.30 am -	<b>Feria in Ordinary Time</b> Doreen Millard R.I.P.
<b>Friday 4 August</b> 11.30 am -	<b>Memorial of St John Vianney, Priest</b> Private Intention
<b>Saturday 5 August</b> 10.00 am - (At Harvington Hall in the Georgian Chapel)	<b>Feria in Ordinary Time</b> Private Intention
<b>Sunday 6 August</b> 8.30 am - 10.30 am -	<b>Feast of The Transfiguration of The Lord</b> For the people of the Parish Doreen Millard R.I.P.

**Anniversaries in August:** Rev George Bishop (1768), Rev John Corne (1816), William Trafford (1829), Thomas Parkes (1872), Leo Herraty (1964), Elizabeth Grant (1987), Janet Arbuthnott (1989), Denis Grant (1990), Bunny Keenan (1995), Armando Agaran (2003), Joan Troy (2003), Marbara Mary Campbell (2012).

**Prayers for Sick:**

Hilda Willets, Trudy Woodall, Anthony Mitchell, Philip Edwards, Julia Comber, Patsy Mullins, Anne Hiron, Michael Butler, Kathleen Clarke, Maureen Ribbins, Louise Barden, Wendy Packwood, Anthony Francis-Floris, James Arbuthnott, Michael Bianco, David Richards.

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

**Sunday 30 July** Eddie Picardo, Bridget Robson  
Mary Meese, Jean Lloyd  
**Sunday 6 August** Greg Kelly, Paul Walmsley  
Elizabeth Mountford

**Readers:**

**Sunday 30 July** Liz Cornish  
Frances Rimmer  
**Sunday 6 August** Jane Handley  
Terry Mulroy

**Church Cleaners this week:** Mrs J Finch

**Money Counters this week:** Dr M Bird & Mrs J Waterhouse

**Contributions to the Parish:**

**Weekly Offertory taken on Sunday 23 July**

Gift Aid	£ 253.00
Envelopes	£ 195.50
Loose	£ 269.50

# **The Wednesday Word Trust leaflets** are available from the table in the porch or may be downloaded from: <http://www.wednesdayword.org/parish/index.htm> (click on The Parish Version) either for your personal use at home or in anticipation of the group discussion on Wednesday mornings. The informal discussion group is led by Fr John and is open to everyone. Do come along for a cup of coffee and an exchange of ideas!

**THE KIDDERMINSTER FOOD BANK**

Our next collection will be next Sunday 13 August.



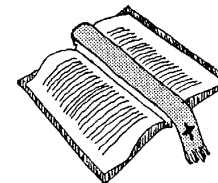
Plans are getting underway for the **DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO**

**HARVINGTON** which will take place on **Sunday 3 September**. Please put this date in your diary in order to attend the Pilgrimage Mass during the afternoon. We are the hosts of this important event and it is the privilege of our parish community to offer our visitors hospitality and a generous welcome to Harvinton. Closer to the date you will be able to sign up to volunteer in various ways so that we may once again provide pilgrims with a meaningful and happy experience.



The **FRIENDS OF THE HOLY LAND** will be holding an "AT HOME" at Gail and Stephen Brown's home, 550 Chester Road South, Kidderminster, DY10 1XH on **Saturday 9 September** from 10.30 am till 3.30 pm to raise funds for Christian families in the Holy Land. There will be stalls selling gifts, scarves, jewellery, hand bags, children's clothes, jams & chutneys, books, Olive Wood products, Soap and Christmas Cards. Light lunch refreshments will be available. Tickets £2 to include a cup of coffee and biscuits on arrival. Tickets available from Gail and Stephen Brown.

The annual ecumenical **BIG BIBLE STUDY** will be held at



St George's Hall, Sansome Place in Worcester on **Saturday 30 September** 10.00am –13.00pm (with registration beforehand and lunch afterwards). The morning will be led by Archbishop Bernard Longley, Bishop John Inge and Alison Mackay who is Regional Minister in the Heart of England Baptist Association. Please see the notice on display in the porch for further details.

James Arbuthnott says **THANK YOU** to everyone who brought him empty jam jars over recent weeks. He now has a plentiful supply and needs no more this year!

**FOR SALE**

A Pedestal Table in immaculate condition, 42" long, 29" wide with centre extension piece and fabric protective cover as well as four padded chairs only £80. Please contact Kay Hildebrant: 01562 884306