

**TODAY IS EDUCATION SUNDAY**

Education Sunday is the special time of year when our Catholic community comes together to celebrate and support our Catholic schools. Coinciding with the start of the academic term it is an opportunity for us to give thanks for the important work our schools perform. Catholic schools couldn't exist without the support of the Catholic community. This has been the case for the last 170 years. The second collection taken today is vital in enabling our schools to continue to thrive.

**SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF UNBORN CHILDREN**

There are postcards on the table in the porch for you to take, complete and post to the Home Secretary petitioning the government to allow peaceful vigils in support of unborn children.



**THE BOOK GROUP** are meeting at 9.30 in the stable on Monday 10 September to

exchange ideas on the book *Saturday* by Ian McEwan and to choose the next book to be read by the Group.



welcome to attend, whether or not you have read the book!

Everyone is

**EVERYONE IS INVITED ...**

After both Masses each Sunday Morning coffee, tea and biscuits are served in the stable. It is an opportunity to meet one another and socialise. Please do join in!



**ESSENTIAL PARISH INFORMATION:**

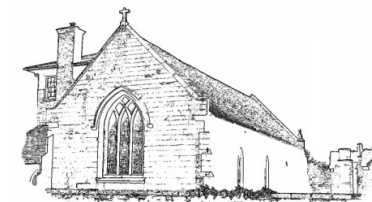
**EMERGENCY EXIT:** This is via the sacristy and through the house

**GIFT AID:** Miss A Costanzo

**SAFEGUARDING:** Mrs J Lloyd - 01562 754448

**HEALTH & SAFETY OFFICER:** Mr M Dawson

**ST MARY'S CHURCH  
HARVINGTON, DY10 4LR**



**Parish Priest:** Rt Rev Mgr Canon John Moran  
**Telephone:** 01562 777319  
**e-mail:** StMarysrc.harvington@gmail.com  
**Website:** www.stmarysharvington.co.uk

**Registered Charity No:** 234216

The Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham

**Times of Holy Mass and Intentions  
(YEAR B Readings)**

**Sunday 9 September** **Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
8.30 am - For the People of The Parish  
10.30 am - Michael & Lois James—Diamond Jubilee celebration  
*There will be a second collection at both Masses today, Sunday 9 September, for THE CATHOLIC EDUCATION SERVICE*

**Monday 10 September** **Feria in Ordinary Time**  
8.30 am - Private Intention

**Tuesday 11 September** **Feria in Ordinary Time**  
No Mass today

**Wednesday 12 September** **Feria in Ordinary Time**  
No Mass today  
No Discussion Group today

**Thursday 13 September** **Memorial of St John Chrysostom**  
No Mass today

**Friday 14 September** **Feast of the Exaltation**  
No Mass today

**Saturday 15 September** **Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows**  
No Mass today

**Sunday 16 September** **Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
8.30 am - Private Intention  
10.30 am - For the People of The Parish  
*We welcome Canon David Oakley (Rector of Oscott College) who will say both Masses today.  
There will be a second collection at both Masses on Sunday 16 September for HOME MISSION SUNDAY*

**Anniversaries in September:** Rev William Thompson (1726), Rev Francis Parker (1779), Rev Richard Cornthwaite (1803), William Parkes, Thomas Parkes (1895), Ellen Ferris(1955) Rev John Love (1961), Bernard McKay (1985), Catherine Dawson (1992), Patrick Dawson (1998), Faye Bullock (1999), Violet Grove (1999), Joseph Haydon (2000), Mgr James Crighton (2001), John Keenan (2002), Michael Broadbent (2006), Leonard Bernard Myerscough (2010), Frank Verlic (2014), Peter Stubbins (2016)

**Prayers for Sick:**

James Arbutnott, Ray Fogg, Paul Hoban, Anthony Mitchell, Veronica Mitchell, Jeannie Morrison, Charles Paice, Maureen Ribbins.

.....  
 \*\* If you wish your name or the name of a friend or relative to be included in this written list **please complete a consent form (to be found on the table in the porch and the notice board)** and either hand it to Fr John, post through his front door or send by mail. To guard your privacy and that of your friend/s relative/s we need to make sure that all have consented to their name being published on that list as it is displayed on the noticeboard and published on the parish website. There are also blank letters available (on the notice board and the table) to offer to anyone who may want prayers, visits or any other support from the parish whilst they are not well.

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

**Sunday 9 September** Greg Kelly, Paul Walmsley  
 Annick Harvey, Joan McKay  
**Sunday 16 September** Stephen Fox, Helen Raphael  
 John Charuk, Steve McWalter

**Readers:**

**Sunday 9 September** Martin Dawson  
 Joan McKay  
**Sunday 16 September** *In the absence of Heather Race, a volunteer please.*  
 The Brown Family

**Church Cleaners:**

**Friday 14 September** Maureen Brewer, Teresa Crane & Anne-Marie Robinson  
**Friday 21 September** Annick Harvey, Sheila Fernihough

**Money Counters:**

**For the 9 Sept collection** Mrs B Goodyear & Mrs M Walmsley  
**For the 16 Sept collection** Dr M Bird & Mrs J Waterhouse

**Contributions to the Parish:**

**Weekly Offertory taken on Sunday 2 September**

Gift Aid Direct Debits £259.00  
 Gift Aid Envelopes £145.00  
 Loose cash £195.51

**The Wednesday Word Trust leaflets** are available from the table in the porch or may be downloaded from: [www.wednesdayword.org/parish/index.htm](http://www.wednesdayword.org/parish/index.htm)



**IMPORTANT PARISH MEETING.**

Everyone at Mass this morning is asked to take home the letter from Fr John for careful reading and consideration. There are additional copies at the back of Church. A meeting will be held here in Church on

**Wednesday 26 September 2018 at 7.00pm** to discuss the contents of that letter. Fr John asks that as many parishioners as possible please attend the meeting so as to give and hear the views of all parishioners as to the future of this parish.

**THE ANNUAL DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO HARVINGTON**

Thank you to everyone who so very generously gave their time, talents and energy to make the Pilgrimage such a success this year. It is estimated that 625 pilgrims attended in addition to the Bishop, clergy, dignitaries, students from Oscott College, members of the Catholic Men's Association, altar servers, choir members and musicians and other assistants. Our efforts have been fully appreciated by everyone involved.



Same time and place next year? Sunday 1 Sept 2019 - a date for your diary!

**THE KIDDERMINSTER FOOD BANK**

Our collection is today, Sunday 9 September. There is always a need for items of groceries, toiletries and household cleaning products but cash donations also welcomed too and will be used by the Foodbank to purchase supplementary items. For such cash donations please use the envelopes provided on the porch table and hand them to Jane & Peter Handley or Fr John.



**BIG BIBLE STUDY – 29 September 2018 10.00 – 13.30**



This year this ecumenical gathering will be at **St Andrew's Methodist Church, Pump Street, Worcester.** It will be led by Revd Dr Keith Clements under the title **National God or God of all nations? Reading the bible in a post Brexit world.** Keith Clements is a Baptist minister and theological teacher with a long involvement in ecumenical and international affairs and was general secretary of the Conference of European Churches 1997-2005. He has written extensively on modern Christian life and thought, with a special interest in the German theologian and martyr Dietrich Bonhoeffer. It will again be a service where we PRAY – STUDY- EAT. Admission £5. Further information available from Jim Quinn (choir).