

Blessed Robert Grissold Catholic Church, Balsall Common
6th October 2024, Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

“What God has united, man must not divide.”

The Pope’s Prayer Intention: We pray that the Church continue to sustain in all ways a Synodal lifestyle, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, the communion and the mission shared among priests, religious and laypeople.

Fr Frank: *October is the month of the Rosary, a rich and complete form of prayer. In the first place it is “Trinitarian”. We begin the Rosary with the sign of the Cross as we invoke the Three Persons of the Most Holy Trinity: “In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.” We then recite the Apostles Creed, which calls to mind each of the Divine Persons in turn: “I believe in God the Father Almighty...and in Jesus Christ his only-begotten Son...I believe in the Holy Spirit”. And each decade of the Rosary concludes with the Trinitarian prayer: “Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit”. The Rosary is also Christ-centred, for the mysteries of the Rosary upon which we meditate are the mysteries of Christ’s life. And in every “Hail Mary” prayed, we honour Christ by saying: “Blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus”.*

Response to the Psalm: May the Lord bless us all the days of our life.

Confession: 5.15-5.45pm Saturday at St Francis Church, Baddesley Clinton, or by arrangement.

Last week’s Collection: Loose plate/Envelopes £48.43, Standing Orders £374, Total £422.43.

CAFOD Harvest Family Fast Day: Please return your donations for Friday’s CAFOD Family Fast Day today or next Sunday. You can also donate online at cafod.org.uk/envelope. Your generosity is much appreciated.

Midweek Mass: Mass at Blessed Robert Grissold this Tuesday at 7pm – Intention Becky Hulme (RIP).

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: After 7pm Mass every **first** Tuesday of the month at BRG and at St Francis after 9am Mass each Thursday. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be followed by Benediction.

Study of John’s Gospel: Fr Frank is leading a study of John’s Gospel at Saint Francis after the 9.00am Mass and the Holy Rosary each Wednesday. All welcome.

Parish Coffee Morning: The next Parish Coffee Morning will take place in the Narthex on Wednesday October 9th at 10.30am - tea, coffee, scones and cake in abundance - everyone welcome to join us.

Marie Sylvia Rymer (RIP): Please pray for the soul of Marie, whose funeral service takes place here on Thursday 10th October at 2pm. Please also pray for her family and friends.

100 Club: Stefan Hunka and Ken Higgins will be collecting subscriptions after mass today and next Sunday.

Parish Supper: Thank you everyone who supported our Parish Supper last Saturday, and for all the help in making the evening such a success. We also made a profit of £333! Thank you all. *Pam and Joe*.

Prayer Group: Meeting fortnightly, starting 17th October at 4.00 pm at BRG for prayers or quiet contemplation and possible discussions of our faith. Suggestions as to format, times and structure are welcome.

BRG Church 30th Anniversary Celebrations: 2024 marks the 30th Anniversary of the opening of our Church. We have a number of events planned; put these dates in your diary!

- Archbishop Bernard Longley will celebrate mass in our church on Sunday 3rd November
- Parish Quiz Night – **Saturday 16th November** (*please note this is a change of date*)
- Youth Mass (followed by a party for the youth and children) – 24th November 2024 (Youth Sunday)

Save the Children fundraising events:

- Coffee morning - 10am, Tuesday 8th October in the Jordan room at the back of Berkswell Church.
- Quiz night - 26th October at 7.30pm at St Peter’s Church Hall. Tickets are £14 per person with a jacket potato supper. Teams of 6 people. Tickets available from Linda Cheshire - telephone 07974932386.

Thanks from Claire Leyland: My grateful thanks to all those who helped by collecting knickers for teenage girls in Malawi. I was able to send 608 pairs. It was great to get support from our surrounding parishes.

National Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima: St. Marie’s in Rugby will be welcoming the statue along with relics of Ss Jacinta & Francisco Marto today. Please see the noticeboard for details.

St Margaret Clitherow Pilgrimage: On 26 & 27 October, including visits to the Shrine of St. Margaret Clitherow, her relics at the Bar Convent and the place of her execution. All welcome. For information and itinerary please see <https://bookwhen.com/youngcatholicadults-yorkpilgrimage2024>

Anniversaries this week: Timothy Eaton, Edna Allen, Graham Jones, Sean Casey, Peter Clarke, Seamus Gannon, Gordon Edward Burleigh.

Lately Dead: Arthur Brill (local resident)

Your prayers are asked for those who are sick and their carers: Maggie Ellis, Maureen Carroll and Martin Sheehy.

If you would like someone to be named on our list of those who are sick, please contact David Green (david.monica@btopenworld.com) or complete the online form (under Parish Life) on our web site.

Notices for the Bulletin: Please send all notices for the bulletin to Ellie Clarke **by 7.00 pm on Thursday** at iehclarke@btinternet.com.

This Weeks Rota Arrangements for Mass at BRG

Date & Time:	6 th October 9.30am	13 th October 9.30am
Day:	Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time	Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Celebrant:	Father Frank	Father Frank
Intention:	Graham Jones (RIP)	John Peat (RIP)
Wardens:	Ann Dodd & Christine Horner	Godfrey Chesshire, Aidir Parizzi & Monica Green
Readers:	Aidir Parizzi	Dominic Green
Tea & Coffee:	Christina Plater & Helen Woods	Anne Stewart, Carol Ann Grewcock, Lynda Leigh
Flowers:	Chris Mitchell	Freddie Dunn
Counting:	Bob & Kathy Jones	Chris Mitchell & Anne Stewart
Music:	Linda Chesshire	Björn Stinner
Church Cleaning:	Claire & Charles Keane	Louise Perry & Monica Green
Altar Linen:	Monica Green	Monica Green
Children's Liturgy:	Chris & Roz Blewitt	Lynda Leigh & Louise Perry

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese's policies and procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Monica Green. They can be contacted at: sg.brg.balsallcommon@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 or safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns.

Priest: Revd. Father Frank Smith. Tel: 07512 100908

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The parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham, Registered Charity No. 234216.

Parish website: www.brgparish.org.uk

Banbury & Warwick Catholic Deanery website: www.banburyandwarwick-catholicdeanery.org.uk