

Blessed Robert Grissold Catholic Church, Balsall Common
13th October 2024, Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Go and sell everything you own and follow me.”

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: Fill us with your love that we may rejoice.

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

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

Midweek Mass: Mass (Memorial of St Teresa of Jesus) at Blessed Robert Grissold this Tuesday at 7pm.

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.

Guild of St Stephen: Congratulations to James Murtagh and Reece Abreu who will be enrolled into the Guild of St Stephen for Altar Servers at Mass this morning.

Second Collection next week: There will be a second collection next week for Missio.

CAFOD: Again, an amazing collection for CAFOD Family Fast Day. We have collected £456.55 and of that, £300 has been gift aided. So, the total donation should come to £531.55! Thank you so much! *Chris Lynn.*

Choir: We have just started practising music for Christmas! If you enjoy singing and would like to join us, please speak to Ian Clarke or email iehclarke@btinternet.com – no previous choir experience necessary!

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.

Book of Remembrance: This will be updated ready for All Souls Day. If you would like a loved one to be added, please complete one of the forms and leave it in the back of the book.

New Lectionaries: Would all those who have made donations to offset the cost of the new Lectionaries please confirm with Fr Frank before 31 October in order that the dedicatory book plates may be allocated.

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)

Flower Rota: The rota is being updated and more helpers are needed. It only involves a couple of times per year. Please see Pam Martin after Mass or call her on: **01676 534916**

Save the Children Quiz Night: 26th October at 7.30pm at St Peter’s Church Hall. Teams of 6 people. Tickets £14 per person (including jacket potato supper) available from Linda Chesshire - telephone 07974932386.

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>

Blessing of Graves at Oscott Cemetery: Family and friends of those buried at Oscott Cemetery are invited to the Blessing of Graves on Saturday 2nd November at 3pm. Please see the noticeboard for further information or contact Alison Hutcheson at the Cemetery Office - 0121 321 5026 between 10am & 2pm.

Anniversaries this week: John Santos, Joan Burke, Irene Burke, Brain Carroll, Dorothy Peat, Mary Jay, Margaret Cross, Claire Given.

Recently Departed: Sally-Anne Gibbons.

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

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:	13 th October 9.30am	20 th October 9.30am
Day:	Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Celebrant:	Father Frank	Father Frank
Intention:	John Peat (RIP)	Maureen Bradley (intentions)
Wardens:	Godfrey Chesshire, Aidir Parizzi & Monica Green	John & Louise Perry
Readers:	Dominic Green	Nigel Parker
Tea & Coffee:	Anne Stewart, Carol Ann Grewcock, Lynda Leigh	Bridget Harrison & Ann Ostler
Flowers:	Pam Martin	Pam Martin
Counting:	Chris Mitchell & Anne Stewart	Aidir Parizzi & family
Music:	Björn Stinner	Linda Chesshire
Church Cleaning:	Louise Perry & Monica Green	Chris Lynn & Helen Woods
Altar Linen:	Monica Green	Monica Green
Children's Liturgy:	Lynda Leigh & Louise Perry	Grainne & Anthony

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

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