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BETHARRAM

HOLY NAME OF JESUS

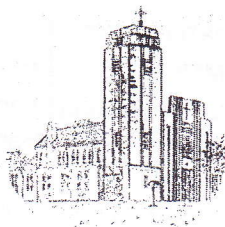
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Parish in the care of the Fathers and
Brothers of The Sacred Heart of Jesus
(Betharram)



Fourth Sunday of
Advent

Year C:

22nd December -30th

December 2018

(Psalter Week 4)

Welcome to this House
of God:

Talk to God before Mass

Listen to God during Mass

Talk to others after Mass

Today's Mass

Readings

Micah 5:1-4; Ps 79;
Hebrews 10:5-10; Luke
1:39 - 440

AT THE VISIT OF MARY, ELIZABETH WAS FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT

Mary's cousin Elizabeth had eyes of faith, given her by the Holy Spirit. As soon as she heard Mary's greeting, the Holy Spirit filled her and caused her child (Who was to be John the Baptist), to leap with joy. The Spirit revealed to Elizabeth that Mary was greatly blessed among all women for she was to give birth to the Lord. The prophets long ago had promised this would happen. As we await the coming of the Lord, we do so with the eyes of faith, given us by the Holy Spirit. The Spirit has worked in each of our lives, revealing who Jesus is and the true significance of his coming. We know that Jesus is God's eternal Son and that he came to save us and make us holy. We also know he protects us, feeds us and gives us peace and security. So like Elizabeth we greet him with joy. These days leading up to Christmas are always hectic and busy. However, we should take a few moments in the midst of all this commercial activity, to make time to reflect quietly on the birth of God's Son Jesus and allow ourselves to be caught up in wonder and joy. 'Lord Jesus, I welcome your coming with all my heart. You alone are my joy and my salvation. Come, Lord Jesus, do not delay'.

DEACON TERRY

*Wishing you all a very happy and peaceful Christmas
and New Year!*

*Fr Vincent, Deacon Terry, Br Andrew,
Angela, Payal and Francesca.*



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PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS

Mary Arulandhu, Ossie Bishop, Audrey Clewlow, Catherine Freeman, Anne Galvin, Teresa Goddard, John Griffiths, Peter Hayward, Arthur Harding, Maurice Hughes, Stephen Hurley, Bryn and Bridie Howells, Elizabeth Ibbotson, Anna Kennedy, Harold Johnson, Linda Lowe, Sandra Pearson, Anne Jennings, Grace Elizabeth Sharron, Joan Evelyn Rawlings, Sheila Shearon.

RECENT DEAD & ANNIVERSARIES

Please remember in your prayers Marie Teresa Finn and all those who have died recently. Please also remember in your prayers.

James Haugh, Sarah Hayes, Patricia Teresa Mullen, Elizabeth Rees, Jack Biddle, Tony Clarke, Kathleen Golden, Teresa Cole, Edith Mullen, Vera Csucsmi, John Yule, Sarah Dyson, Colleen, Watson, Docus Attridge, Matthew Harrington, Billy Fitzgerald, Mary Ridley, Rene Doano, and all those whose anniversaries occur about this time. Funeral Details for Marie Finn will be published next week.

ADVENT JOURNEY

We are invited to join the Congregation of St Paul's Church for their Service of Nine Lessons and Carols on Sunday Evening 23rd December at 6.30pm. We thank our Parish Primary Schools (Holy Name and St Mark's) for sharing their Carol Services here in Church last week. It was lovely to share the Christmas Story in Scripture, Drama and Song. Thank You Once Again!

**SACRED HEART FATHERS AND BROTHERS COMMUNITY
NEWS**

May we wish you all a Very Happy and Holy Christmas and we will hold you in our thoughts and prayers. Thank you for your continued help and support. It is very much appreciated and huge blessing. we look forward to welcoming you all to Masses on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. If you have family and friends visiting they are very welcome!

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

Many thanks for the Presents received over the last few days. Br Andrew has taken them to children and their families at John Henry Newman Catholic College, (Secondary School) Chelmsley Wood, where he is the Chaplain.

This Week 22nd –30th December	Holy Mass & Services	Other Events
Saturday 22nd December Advent Feria	10:00am Teresa Vurlan RIP 10:30am - Confessions 12:30pm Georgette Tammam RIP	Coffee & Tea after 10:30 am Mass. Knights of St Columba
Sunday 23rd December Fourth Sunday of Advent Retiring Collection for Christmas Flowers and Decoration	8:30am People of the Parish 10:30am Michael, Rose and Malachy Farnan RIP	
Monday 24th December	9:15am Janet McKnight RIP	



Happy Christmas



Monday 24th December Christmas Eve	6:00pm Sarah Johnson RIP 8:30pm Carols and Readings Followed by Mass of the Night	
Tuesday 25th December Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord	8:30am Mass of the Dawn 10:30am Mass during the day	
Wednesday 26th December Feast of St Stephen, the first Martyr	10:30am St Stephen Guild Mass	
Thursday 27th December Feast of St John, Apostle, Evangelist	11:30am Mass in Church Ints of Margaret Tickner	
Friday 28th December Feast of the Holy Innocents, Martyrs	11:30am Andrew and Anne Johnson RIP	
Saturday 29th December Feast of St Thomas Becket, Bishop, Martyr	10:00am Ints Keiran Byrne 10:30am - Confessions 12:30pm Winifred O'Gara RIP	
Sunday 30th December Feast of the Holy Family of Nazareth	8:30am People of the Parish 10:30am Connors Family	Coffee & Tea in the Parish Centre after 10:30am Mass. Folk Group

Loose Money:

£506.04

Gift Aid Envelope :

£341.99

Mass Attendance

Last Sunday: 367

**Thank you for
supporting our
Parish.**

**PARISH
EXERCISE CLASS**

In New year the
class will start on
Tuesday 8th and
Thursday 10th
January 2019.

NEWS PAPERS

This week will be the
double Issue of the
Universe Catholic
Times and Catholic
Herold please check
the price.

**Next Sunday's
Mass Readings**

Ecclesiasticus 3:2-
6, 12-14; Ps 127;
Colossians 3:12-21;
Luke 2:41-52



HOLY NAME PARISH CHOIR

Holy Name Choir needs singers and organists/ musicians of all abilities to help in worshipping Our Lord. We lead the 10:30 Mass and other special occasions such as Easter and Christmas. If you are interested please phone the presbytery 0121 357 1351 and leave your name and number or pop up and see us at the 10:30 Mass. Your help would be very much appreciated.

NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY 2018

This year - New Year's Party is again with Lee Ralph (DJ), Party Games and Disco. This is an event for the whole family and it takes place at the Parish Centre at 7.30pm onwards. The tickets are £7.00 each for Members and Children and £10.00 each for Non Members. Tickets are on sale now from Jackie Mooney on 07455 526003 or the Parish Office.

SECOND SATURDAY BIBLE CONVENTION:

Major Catholic initiative run by Sehion Ministries, a Catholic Charity, based in the Diocese of Birmingham. The day begins with Rosary at 8am followed by Holy Mass at 9:15, testimonies, talk, confession and spiritual one-to-one counselling. The day ends with Adoration and Procession of Blessed Sacrament. Catechism for ages 5+ begins at 11:15 by separate teenager's stream. This conference takes place on the 1st Saturday of the month., Venue: Bethel Convention Centre, Kelvin Way, West Bromwich B70 7JW.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY GROUP

Children's Liturgy group will close from 23rd December and re-open on Sunday 13th January 2019. We would like to wish you all a happy and Holy Christmas.

THE VERONA FATHERS

We have received a thank you card from Verona Fathers for your generous response to the Appeal in favour of their Missions that raised a total of £1,033.07

PARISH CENTRE SUNDAY BINGO

There will be no Bingo this Sunday or next Sunday Re-Opening on 6th January 2019.

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