

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT Year A 14th March -

22nd March 2020

HOLY NAME OF JESUS

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

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 Exodus 17:3-7; Ps 94; Roman 5:1-2, 5-8; John 4:5-42

'O THAT TODAY YOU WOULD LISTEN TO HIS VOICE'.

The beautiful Gospel of John, shows Jesus longing for water to quench his thirst after he had been walking through desert places. He asks a Samaritan woman for a drink and at the same time assures her he has a gift of 'living water welling up to eternal life'. The woman does not harden her heart, but listens carefully to all Jesus has to say and ends up acknowledging him as Saviour and becomes the first missionary by bringing the 'Good News' to her fellow citizens in the village. Jesus wants to complete his Father's work in us by giving us living water. He wants to bring us into a state of grace where we are living fully the life of the Spirit. 'Jesus, you alone can give me the living water that quenches my thirst. Only you can give me the 'Spring of water welling up to eternal life'. Give me this living water always, dearest Lord'.

DEACON TERRY

CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19):

As explained last week, in addition to the NHS advice in handwashing, we have adopted the following practices here at Holy Name to help stop the spread of the virus. Please sanitise your hands if sanitiser is available as you come in to Church. We will not be offering the chalice of Precious Blood at Communion and we will not be shaking hands at the Sign of Peace. Also from this week, there will be no Holy Water as you come into Church and we will not be using the Hymn books or Mass books either.

BIRMINGHAM TAIZE PRAYER GROUP

The Birmingham Taize Prayer Group will be leading the evening liturgy here this evening (Sunday 15 March), 6.30, please do come and join us.

SACRED HEART COMMUNITY

Fr. Vincent Arulandhu, SCJ (Parish Priest) Email:

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Mrs Bridget Morris Head Teacher 0121 556 1488

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Safeguarding Officer

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PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS

Mary Arulandhu, Ossie Bishop, Audrey Clewlow, Catherine Freeman, Carmen Mulholland, Teresa Goddard, Arthur Harding, Maurice Hughes, Stephen Hurley, Bridget Green, Elizabeth Ibbotson, Haydee Stanton, Linda Lowe, Sr Annie Enright, Sandra Pearson, Anne Jennings, Janet Chamberlain, Margaret Jacob, Kevin O'Neill, Kala Kanji, Grace Sharron, Rose Bohan, Joan Rawlings, Sheila Shearon and Bridget Whitfield.

RECENT DEAD AND ANNIVERSARIES

Please remember Canon Peter Taylor, Millicent Stephen Kearns, Anna Kennedy, Esther Wilson and all those who have died recently. We also remember Bernard Finlay, Bridget Donaghey, Michael O'Connor, James Welford, John McGovern, Gertrude Lord, Mary Wheeler, Tony Murray, Bridget Neal. Francis Murphy, Collins, Gwen Centurion, Gabriel Collett, Noel Donaghey, Jeanette Hawkes, Kathleen Aherne, Helena Taylor, Anthony Hurley, Scattergood, Tom King, Patrick Campbell, Raymond Pearson, Grace Quinn, Francis Tibbits, Annie Woods, and all those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

The Requiem Mass for Millicent Finn will be on Friday 20th March at 1:15pm at Holy Name Church and followed by Cremation at Sandwell Valley Crematorium at 2:30pm.

Requiem Mass for Anna Kennedy will be on Monday 23rd March at 11:00am at Holy Name Church and followed by Burial at Witton Cemetery at 12:30pm.

Requiem Mass for Stephen Kearns will be on Wednesday 1st April at 11:30am at Holy Name Church and followed by Cremation at Sandwell Valley Crematorium at 12:15pm. The reception of the body will be on Tuesday 31st March 5:30pm.

SURVIVE - MIVA

The second collection this week is in support of this charity. They raise money to provide grants to fund essential transport such as bicycles, mopeds and 4x4 vehicles for health outreach work and the Church's pastoral care in remote parts of Africa, Asia and Latin America. For more information please see the notice in the Church porch.

This Week Saturday 14th– 22nd March (Psalter Week 3)	Holy Mass & Services	Other Events
Saturday 14th March Lent Feria	10:00am Michael and Anne Doocey RIP 10:30am– 12pm Confessions 12:30pm Patricia Flanagan RIP	
Sunday 15th March THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT Retiring Collection for Survive -Miva	8:30am Ints of Audrey Clewlow (90th Birthday) 10:30am Domingas Silva Araujo 4:30pm Stations of the Cross 6:30pm - Taize Prayer Group	Coffee & Tea in the Parish Centre after 10:30am Mass. (Folk Group) 8.00pm-9:30pm Bingo in the Parish Centre
Monday 16th March Lent Feria	NO MASS	2:30pm &7:30pm The Big Picture– Bible Study Course
Tuesday 17th March Feast of St Patrick, Bishop, Patron of Ireland	9:15am Service of the Word at Holy Name School	
Wednesday 18th March Lent Feria	11:00am Rosary 11:30am Ray Pearson RIP	7:30pm Baptism Talk in the Parish Office
Thursday 19th March SOLEMNITY OF ST JOSEPH, HUSBAND OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY	9:15am – Mass at St Mark's School - Catherine Kelly	
Friday 20th March Lent Feria	10:45am Stations of the Cross 11:30am Ints of John and Margaret Beirne 1:15pm Requiem Mass for Millicent Finn	
Saturday 21st March Lent Feria	10:00am Stanley Davis RIP 10:30am– 12pm Confessions 12:30pm Josie Taylor	
Sunday 22nd March FOURTHSUNDAY OF LENT Retiring Collection for Parish Building Fund	8:30am James Grogan RIP 10:30am Paddy Waldron RIP (10:30am Mass is led by Holy Name School) 4:30pm Stations of the Cross	Coffee & Tea in the Parish Centre after 10:30am (Marie & Carmel) 8.00pm-9:30pm Bingo in the Parish Centre.

Loose Money:
£449.21
Gift Aid Envelopes:
£348.80
CAFOD:
£779.02
Mass Attendance
Last Sunday:365
Thank you for
supporting your
Parish.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY GROUP

The Children's
Liturgy group has
re-started. Please
encourage your
children and
grandchildren to be
part of this
group.

OUR PARISH CENTRE

We need your support.

For bookings contact Anne Chamberlain on 01922630495.

www.holynameparish centre.wix.com/event

Next Sunday's Mass Readings:

1 Samuel 16:1, 6-7, 10-13; Ps 22; Ephesians 5:8 -14; John 9:1-41

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Lent is a time to reflect more deeply on Jesus' journey to Calvary. This year once again the traditional devotion of Stations of the Cross is at 4:30pm on each Sunday and on Friday at 10:45am during Lent. If any individual or any parish groups would like to lead this devotion it would be much appreciated. Please speak to Fr. Vincent SCJ. Many Thanks.

APPEAL BY THE LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR - 28TH / 29TH MARCH.

The Sisters run St Joseph's Home in Harborne for 50 elderly people including 4 retired priests. They rely on donations to make their home is affordable to those of limited means, and so they are making an appeal here in support of their work. Please be generous.

RETREAT DAY AT ST MARY'S CONVENT

There is a Lenten Retreat Day for Readers and Ministers on Saturday 28th March from 1.30pm – 4.00pm at St Mary's Convent, 98 Hunters Road, Handsworth, Birmingham B19 1EB. For further information please see the poster on the Church noticeboard.

LENT COURSE WITH THE CHURCHES TOGETHER IN GREAT BARR

The Annual Lent Groups will take place during the forthcoming Season of Lent. This year we are going share a resource for Lent from the Methodist Church entitled 'Positive Working Together. As usual we will gather on Wednesday afternoon, 1.30 and in the evening, 7.30. This week we gather at St Margaret's Church, Chapel Lane, B43 7B. All are very welcome, please do join us.

EVENING OF RECOLLECTION FOR SPECIAL MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST, THURSDAY 2ND APRIL 5.30 – 9.30PM

This will take place at Maryvale Institute, Old Oscott Hill, Kingstanding B44 9AG. If you are interested, please let Fr Vincent know, via the Parish Office. There is a booking fee of £5 payable in advance. For further information please see the notice in the Church Porch.

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