



Societas Presbyterorum
Sacratissimi Cordis Jesu
BETHARRAM

**FIFTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
YEAR B**

**6th February to
14th February 2021**

HOLY NAME OF JESUS

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



Today's Mass Readings

Job 7:1-4, 6-7;

Ps 146; I Corinthians

9:19-19,22-23;

Mark 1:29-39.

**Welcome to this House
of God:**

Talk to God before Mass

Listen to God during Mass

Talk to others after Mass

DO WE SEEK JESUS?

The First Reading presents us the dilemma of Job. He was a righteous man, an innocent and faithful servant of God, but we also hear him clearly express his feelings of suffering and pain. He speaks of sleepless nights, a loss of hope and months of misery. These feelings are not just something that happened to Job but they are real and everyone experiences them at times.

Job's faith was severely tested by the devil. He lost everything but it did not change his decisions. He did not give in to ultimate despair rather he persevered by being faithful to God. His tragedy of losing everything that was precious to him did not make him to lose his faith and hope in his God. His faithfulness and perseverance made him praise God by saying; **"Naked I came from my mother's womb, and naked shall I return there; the Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord."**

Job's situation reminds us of our own daily struggles with the problems of life. Above all, it reminds us that at times, it seems to us that we experience the silence or the absence of God in our lives. They are terrible moments that make us ask questions like: God, where are you? Why me? What have I done wrong? God answers these questions through His Son Jesus in today's Gospel Reading.

The evangelist Mark presents Jesus to us as a healer. He heals Peter's mother-in-law and every sick person who comes to their house. Jesus preached, healed and delivered people from all kinds of infirmities and problems. There was no one who encountered him with faith that he did not heal. The question is: Do we seek Jesus like the people in the Gospel? Are we faithful to God like Job?

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ANNUAL GUILD OF ST STEPHEN MASS 2021

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Altar servers across the Archdiocese are invited to join the live streaming of the Guild of St Stephen Mass to renew their Guild promises with Bishop William Kenney. The Mass will be celebrated at St Chad's Cathedral at 10am on Saturday 6 March 2021. Live stream can be accessed through Diocesan website or <https://www.stchadscathedral.org.uk>

If you wish, as part of the celebration, servers - young and old, whether at home or in church, vested or not - are encouraged to send a picture of themselves holding their Guild Medal, so that the Vocations team can create a montage poster in lieu of the annual official photo at the Mass. By sending your photo, you consent to your photo being used in this way. For more information and to send your photo please go to office@vocations.org.uk or to the Diocesan website.

RECENTLY DEAD AND ANNIVERSARIES

Please remember all those who have died recently. We also remember Annie Chambers, Herbert Boon, Joseph McNamara, John King, Henry McCracken, Michael Finn, Mary Harbutt, Lilian Gair, Raymond Harbutt, Peter Murphy, Millicent Finn, Patrick Finucane, Fr. Patrick Hegarty, Nora Johnson, Winifred Reeves, Dorothy Ursell, Elizabeth Clarke, Betty Palmese and all those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

CELEBRATING THE WORD OF GOD

The Sunday of the Word of God, instituted by Pope Francis in 2019, was celebrated for the second time on 24th January 2021.

The Catholic Biblical Federation, the worldwide organisation of the Catholic Church, organised a pan-European webinar on 22nd January 2021. Video of the webinar 'The Prophecy of the Gospel for the Life of All' can be accessed on the CBF website www.c-b-f.org/en/Where-we-are/Europe or by clicking on <https://youtu.be/W4uRMUCEtoc>

The Catholic Biblical Association of Great Britain organised a livestream presentation with Dom Henry Wansbrough, internationally renowned Scripture scholar, who spoke on 'The Adventures of a Biblical Translator' on Saturday 24th January 2021. The Video of the talk and question and answer session is now available at www.whatgoodnews.org.

<p style="text-align: center;">This Week Saturday 6th February – Sunday 14th February (Psalter Week 1)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Holy Mass & Services</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Other Events</p>
<p>Saturday 6th February Memorial of St Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs</p>	<p>12:30pm Ints of Molly Doocey</p>	
<p>Sunday 7th February FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</p>	<p>8:30am Ints of Marie McNally 10:30am Deceased members of the Coonagh Family</p>	
<p>Monday 8th February Feria in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>10:00am James Regan RIP</p>	
<p>Tuesday 9th February Feria in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>10:00am Phillys & Family - Private Mass</p>	
<p>Wednesday 10th February Memorial of St Scholastica, Virgin</p>	<p>11:30am Margaret & John Beirne</p>	
<p>Thursday 11th February Feria in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>10:00am Ints of Payal Gordhan & Family - Private Mass</p>	
<p>Friday 12th February Feria in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>10:00am Mary & Family - Private Mass</p>	
<p>Saturday 13th February Feria in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>12:30pm Mary O'Grady RIP</p>	
<p>Sunday 14th February SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</p>	<p>8:30am Christine Carroll RIP 10:30am John Carter RIP</p>	

**Last week's
Offertory
Collection:**

**Gift Aid Envelopes:
£ 331.00**

**Loose money:
£266.70**

**Mass Attendance
Last Sunday: 90**

**Thank you for
supporting your
Parish.**



**DIOCESAN
DIRECTORY FOR
2021**

The new directory of the Archdiocese of Birmingham is now available from the Parish Office. They are £5:00 each.

**Next Sunday's
Mass Readings:**

2 Chronicle 36: 14-16, 19-23; Ps 136; Ephesians 2: 4-10; John 3:14-21

PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS

Mary Arulandhu, Bernie Mortlock, Audrey Clewlow, Catherine Freeman, Carmen Mulholland, Teresa Goddard, Arthur Harding, Stephen Hurley, Bridget Green, Elizabeth Ibbotson, Haydee Stanton, Linda Lowe, Sr Annie Enright, Jackie Tammam, Janet Chamberlain, Rudolf and Irene Sampays, Grace Sharron, Rose Bohan, Joan Rawlings, Sheila Shearon and Bridget Whitfield.

FCJ YOUNG ADULT NETWORK

The FCJ Young Adult Network is organising online events for young adults and others. This is an opportunity for you all to deepen your relationship with God through prayer, and reflection. The online events are as follows:

Vocations Weekend: 26th - 28th February

For women exploring the vocation to religious life. There will be times of prayer, reflection, input and discussion as well as a Q&A session with FCJ Sisters.

Reading Group: Friday 4pm

Book: Let us Dream - Pope Francis

Each session stands alone so there is no need to attend every week. Register, read the chapter set and then have a chance to talk with others about it. Everyone welcome!

These events can be accessed live by going to FCJCentreStHughs@gmail.com or follow us on Facebook.



SUPPORT AVAILABLE

If you are shielding or if you know someone who needs any help and support for shopping, collecting prescriptions and other help, please contact us on 0121 3571351 or email to holynamgreatbarr20@gmail.com. We will do our best to help.

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