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HOLY NAME OF JESUS

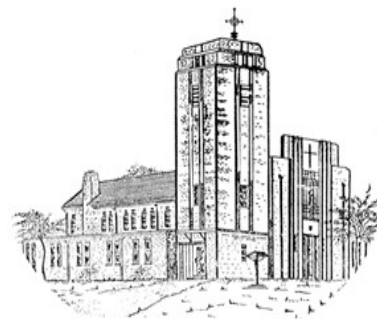
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Parish in the care of the Fathers and
Brothers of The Sacred Heart of Jesus



Today's Mass

Readings

Exodus 20: 1-17;

Ps 18; 1 Corinthians

1:22-25; John

2:13-25

THIRD SUNDAY OF
LENT
YEAR B

6th to 14th March 2021

Welcome to this House
of God:

Talk to God before Mass

Listen to God during Mass

Talk to others after Mass

CLEANSING THE TEMPLE

In today's Gospel reading we hear about Jesus overturning the tables of the merchants and the moneychangers in the Temple at Jerusalem. This action reveals Jesus' anger. Jesus' passion turns to anger when he sees the Temple of Jerusalem being desecrated. A place of prayer has been turned into a market. So, Jesus makes a whip of cord and drives the merchants out along with their cattle and sheep. To understand the relevance of Jesus' action, we must learn more about the activities that were going on in the temple area. The Jews considered the Temple of Jerusalem as the centre of their religious, social and commercial life. Every year, during Passover, they went to the Temple. The Passover feast recalls the liberation of the people from Egypt through the saving act of God. So, during this time, people came to the Temple to fulfil their obligations to God. Therefore, worship at the Temple included animal sacrifice and so merchants sold animals to worshippers. The Temple also played a significant role in Jesus' life from his earliest years. His parents used to travel to Jerusalem every year for the feast of the Passover. When he was twelve years old he remained in the Temple for three days, listening to the doctors of the Law and asking them questions.

Hence, Jesus' anger was not directed against the Temple, rather to the powerful Temple authorities who had turned Temple worship into a lucrative business for themselves. So, Jesus challenged the Jewish authorities by saying; "**Destroy this temple, and in three days, I will raise it up.**" He was speaking about the temple of his body referring to his physical body as the Temple. According to St Paul, we are the Temple of the Holy Spirit. So, as we continue our Lenten journey let us cleanse our heart from selfish motives and sins. May our heart be a worthy dwelling place for God.

Fr. Vincent Arulandhu SCJ

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RECENTLY DEAD AND ANNIVERSARIES

Please remember **Ellen King** and all those who have died recently. We also remember Peter Hannon, Florence McGrath, Mavis Jones, Michael Toyne, Margaret Haugh, Alice Flynn, Joan McCracken, Simon O'Shaunessy, Jessie O'Neill, Ellen Winston, Patrick Noctor, Joan McGirr, David Mattock, Mamie Connors, Robert Ahern, Audrey Edwards, Millicent Coppock, Jestina Alston, George Brudzunski, Margaret Slattery, Patrick McGrath, Alice Dunne, George Farrall, William Pike and all those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Lent is a time to reflect more deeply on Jesus' journey to Calvary. This year once again we will have the traditional devotion of Stations of the Cross on Fridays at 11:00am followed by Holy Mass. You are very welcome to join us. For this we need a few more Stewards. If anyone can help please speak to **Payal, the Parish Secretary**.

PIETY STALL

Due to pandemic the Piety Stall is still closed. However, Sympathy Mass cards, Anniversary Mass cards, Birthday Cards, Easter cards, Mother's Day Cards and Gifts, cards for various occasions and religious articles are now available through the Parish Office. As we approach the Feast of St Patrick, St Patrick's day cards, Badges and Prayer Cards are also available. The Parish office is open from 9:00am to 3:00 pm Monday to Friday.

CHANGE OF PARISH EMAIL

Dear Parishioners, we would like to inform you that we have got a new email address for our parish. The new email is **holyname.bham@rcaob.org.uk** please use this email address in future. In advance we thank you all for your kind co-operation on this matter.

LENT AND EASTER 2021

As we have begun the Season of Lent this year, there are many online and virtual resources now available through Birmingham Archdiocesan website. For more info please follow this link <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/>

<p style="text-align: center;">This Week Saturday 6th March – Sunday 14th March (Psalter Week 3)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Holy Mass & Services</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Other Events</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Saturday 6th March Lent Feria</p>	<p>12:30pm John Bennett RIP</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Sunday 7th March THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT Second collection for Cathedral Maintenance</p>	<p>8:30am Sacred Heart Fathers & Brothers 10:30am Ray Pearson RIP</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Monday 8th March Lent Feria</p>	<p>10:00am Ints of Joe and Gusia McNally - Private Mass</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Tuesday 9th March Lent Feria</p>	<p>10:00am Maurice Hughes RIP - Private Mass</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday 10th March Lent Feria</p>	<p>11:30am Joe McNamara RIP</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Thursday 11th March Lent Feria</p>	<p>10:00am Ints of Theresa Hayward - Private Mass</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Friday 12th March Lent Feria</p>	<p>11:30am Michael and Anne Doocey RIP</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">11:00am Stations of the Cross</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Saturday 13th March Lent Feria</p>	<p>12:30pm Ints of Margaret and John Beirne and Kelly Family</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Sunday 14th March FOUR SUNDAY OF LENT</p>	<p>8:30am Mary Wheeler RIP 10:30am Mary O’Grady RIP</p>	

**Last week's
Offertory
Collection:
Gift Aid Envelopes:
£ 167.50**

**Loose money:
£300.02**

CAFOD: £598.15

**Standing order for
December
£1358.17**

**Mass Attendance
Last Sunday: 148**

**Thank you for
supporting your
Parish.**



**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.

SVP UPDATE, HOLY NAME PARISH

Since October 2020 Holy Name SVP have continued our work in Partnerships with local Foodbanks to support 17 families in two Primary Schools in our Diocese with food and clothing collections and deliveries. We have successfully obtained a second grant from the National SVP to support this vital work. At Christmas, in partnership with Holy Trinity SVP, we donated Christmas presents for each member of the families we support. We are keeping in touch with those who would attend the Senior Citizens Christmas party as a gesture of friendship until we are able to get together again. We were able to purchase a vital piece of exercise/ physio machinery for a local young aspiring Paralympian. He is making great progress and through his determined effort in exercising has been able to stand unsupported for the first time in a long time. In a similar vein we have been able to buy a specialist leg brace for a very special seven year old, which will help with his walking development.

Holy Name SVP has recently recruited 3 new members who we warmly welcome. If you'd like to get involved please contact us. We offer befriending and support and would encourage anyone who would like to be contacted or who needs our help to phone our Conference phone number: 07388 26471.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

The Sacrament of the Reconciliation can now be received by appointment on Wednesday and Saturday. To make an appointment please speak to Fr. Vincent or the Parish Office. Many Thanks.