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HOLY NAME OF JESUS

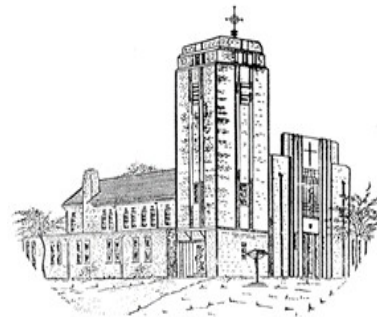
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Parish in the care of the Fathers and
Brothers of The Sacred Heart of Jesus



Today's Mass Readings

Jeremiah 23:1-6;

Ps 22;

Ephesians 2:13-18;

Mark 6:30-34

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

YEAR B

17th July to 25th July

2021

**Welcome to this House
of God:**

Talk to God before Mass

Listen to God during Mass

Talk to others after Mass

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

This Sunday's Readings explain how God, like a Good Shepherd, redeems His people and provides care and pastures for them. They also speak about God's compassion for His people. Therefore, they challenge us to use our God-given gifts in the family, in the Church and in society with fidelity and responsibility. Today's pastoral ministry includes not only the pastoral care given by those ordained as priests but the loving service given by many others who follow different callings to serve and lead others.

The Prophet Jeremiah, in the First Reading, speaks out against Israel's careless leaders and kings because they have shown no concern for the poor but are more interested in their own well-being and a good lifestyle at the expense of those to whom they were sent. So the compassionate God promises that he himself will look after the sheep, his people, who have been dispersed. Furthermore, in the days to come, he will raise up someone who will be a true shepherd for Israel.

Today's Gospel passage reveals the sympathetic and merciful heart of Jesus who lovingly invites his apostles to a quiet place for some rest. Jesus had sent his apostles on their first mission, which was one of healing, teaching and preaching. When they returned, no doubt they were delighted by the experience. They had witnessed at first hand the power of God's Word. Nonetheless, they were hungry, exhausted and in need of rest, both physical and spiritual. However, things did not turn out as planned. The people followed him. How did Jesus react? Far from getting annoyed he welcomed the people. Doesn't this tell us a lot about the kind of person he was? He was moved with pity for them. Don't we all appreciate people who show compassion to us in a time of need?

These Readings teach us that the mission of the Church should be based on the Gospel of compassion which we seek to live and share, from our own commitment to forgiveness and reconciliation. We who are Jesus' disciples today have also been sent out to share the Gospel with others.

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PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS

Mary Arulandhu, Bernie Mortlock, Audrey Clewlow, Catherine Freeman, Claire Harbutt, Carmen Mulholland, Denise Watson, Enid and John King, Teresa Goddard, Arthur Harding, Stephen Hurley, Bridget Green, Haydee Stanton, Linda Lowe, Sr Annie Enright, Jackie Tammam, Janet Chamberlain, Rudolf and Irene Sampays, Grace Sharron, Joan Rawlings, Sheila Shearon, and Bridget Whitfield.

RECENTLY DEAD AND ANNIVERSARIES

Please remember **Colin Steward** and all those who have died recently. We also remember Elizabeth Igoe, Kevin Mooney, William O'Reilly, Mildred Graney, Margaret Clewlow, Dorothy Pritchard, John Pritchard, Michael Shanahan, Margaret O'Reilly, Mary Hopkins, Eileen Ball, Bridget Kelly, Jose Clements, Louise Timmins, Shirley Hart, Kevin Kavanagh, Clarine Webb, Theodore Naughton, Tom Sullivan and all those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

The funeral service for Colin Steward will take place at Sandwell Crematorium on Thursday 22nd July at 10:00am.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

Pope Francis has called the Universal Church to celebrate the first World Day for Grandparents and Elderly on Sunday 25th July 2021. Every Parish is asked to dedicate one of their Sunday Masses to Grandparents and Elderly. The 10:30 Mass on Sunday 25th July will be offered for this intention. We ask for God's blessing on them and we give thanks for all they bring to us of love and wisdom. Pope Francis has sent out a special message for the Universal Church to celebrate this day. Those who wish to read or listen his message please follow this link:

<http://www.laityfamilylife.va/content/laityfamilylife/en/amoris-laetitia/pastoral-resources-world-day-for-grandparents-and-the-elderly21.html>

CURSILLOS ENCOUNTER DAY

You are warmly invited to a day of prayer, reflection and fellowship to find out more about what Cursillo can offer. (This Spanish word means "short course in the faith.") It takes place Saturday 24th July 10:30am- 2:30pm at St Mary The Mount Parish Centre, Walsall, WS1 3NX. To book your place please email: canon.michael.leadbeater@rcaob.org.uk.

<p style="text-align: center;">This Week Saturday 17th July – 25th July Sunday (Psalter Week 4)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Holy Mass & Services</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Other Events</p>
<p>Saturday 17th July Feria in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>12:30pm Mary Lynch RIP</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Sunday 18th July SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</p>	<p>8:30am David Storrie RIP 10:30am Vivian Boylan RIP</p>	
<p>Monday 19th July Feria in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>10:00am Mary Waldron - Private Mass</p>	
<p>Tuesday 20th July Feria in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>10:00am Ints of Fr. Vincent - Private Mass</p>	
<p>Wednesday 21st July Feria in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>11:30am Frances Burke RIP</p>	<p>7:30pm Baptism Preparation</p>
<p>Thursday 22nd July Feast of St Mary Magdalen</p>	<p>9:00am Ints of Jao, Ajay & Sonia - Private Mass</p>	<p>10:00am Funeral Service for Collin Steward</p>
<p>Friday 23rd July Feast of St Bridget, Religious, Patron of Europe</p>	<p>11:30am Gregory Griffin RIP</p>	<p>7:30pm Baptism Preparation</p>
<p>Saturday 24th July Feria in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>12:30pm Gerald Oakes RIP</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Sunday 25th July</p>	<p>8:30am Jimmy McGinley 10:30am Elderly and Grandparents</p>	<p>10:30pm Baptism</p>

**Last week's
Offertory
Collection:
£237.52**

**Gift Aid Envelopes:
£446.30**

**Apostleship of the
Sea: £ 370.31**

**Standing Order for
the Month of June
£1758.67**

**Mass Attendance
Last Sunday:191**

**Thank you for
supporting your
Parish.**



**Next Sunday's
Mass Readings:**

2 Kings 4:42-44;
Ps 144;
Ephesians 4:1-6;
John 6:1-15

PARISH CENTRE

The Parish Centre has been hired by the NHS as Vaccination Centre for local people and communities. Therefore there are no private bookings available until October, with a possibility of further extension. Please be aware that, for security, there will be a police patrol in place.

S.V.P. UPDATE—HOLY NAME PARISH

We have been very active since our last update. We are presently in phone contact with 12 Parishioners providing a befriending service and a vital link to the church. In Partnership with Holy Trinity SVP and Bethany Food Bank, we have been delivering fortnightly supplies to four families in our local Schools. This has thankfully reduced from the seventeen families we supported throughout lock down. We have recently enabled a young local woman to purchase a motorized wheelchair specially adapted for her disability. This is in addition to the bespoke physio equipment for a young man in Great Barr and a specialized leg brace to assist a young 7 year old with his mobility. We would like to extend our befriending phone calls to Parishioners who are isolated, or would just like to hear a friendly voice. We would encourage anyone who would like a call to phone our conference phone number: -07388 264712, or to speak to the Parish Office, who will pass on the details.

ST JOSEPH'S CARE HOME—COLESHILL

This care home is run by Father Hudson's Society. It offers range of personalised services including residential, specialised dementia and short term respite care in a friendly welcoming environment. The dedicated staff team are passionate about making residents safe and happy in this home environment.

If you or someone you know might benefit from the care offered and would be interested in more information or to book a virtual tour then please quote SJ1 and contact Care Home Manager Shelley Perryman on 01675 434559, email shelleyperryman@fatherhudsons.org.uk or visit our website at www.stjosephscarehome.co.uk