

TWENTY- SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B 28th August to 5th September 2021

HOLY NAME OF JESUS

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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

Deuteronomy 4: 1-2, 6-8; Ps 14; James 1: 17-18, 21-22, 27; Mark 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

A wise person once said that "When I was young I was a revolutionary. My prayer to God was 'Lord, give me the energy to change the world'. As I approached middle-age and realized that my life was half-gone without changing a single soul, I changed my prayer: 'Lord, give me the grace to change all those who come into contact with me, just my family and friends and I shall be satisfied'. Now that I am old and my days are numbered, I have begun to see how foolish I have been, so, my prayer now is 'Lord, give me the grace to change myself'. If I had prayed for this from the start, I would not have wasted my life." These wise words point out the simple truth that none of us has the capacity to change another person. The only person we can change is ourselves.

This Sunday's Gospel Reading, we hear that the Pharisees and the Scribes are criticizing the actions of Jesus' disciples. They are finding fault with what Jesus' disciples do. They are pointing out that the disciples are indeed breaking the Jewish Law. In response, Jesus teaches that a person is not defiled by the food that enters their body, but rather by sin that emerges from their words and actions. Nothing could be worse than taking cheap shots at everyone else while never bothering to look at ourselves. This is the temptation that we face when we judge the behaviour of others because it differs from our own. In this teaching, Jesus unmasks a deeper question behind the one posed to him by the Pharisees. The real issue is holiness, which is not found in external acts alone. Holiness comes from within and is revealed in the actions and attitudes that emerge from a person's life.

Jesus' words challenge us. In our desire to show that we are holy, we sometime give too much importance to externals. Jesus reminds us that we do not make ourselves holy by our own actions, rather we become holy when we allow God's Spirit to transform us. Our actions should be an expression of the conversion of our heart to God and to God's ways.

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PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS

Mary Arulandhu, Bernie Mortlock, Audrey Clewlow, Catherine Freeman, Claire Harbutt, Carmen Mulholland, Denise Watson, Dawn Rutherford, 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 **John Peach** and all those who have died recently. We also remember Frank Laurent, Ian Hunter, Frances Clenton, Mary Glidden, Mark Kingscott, Rebecca Corrigan, Harold Gore, Mary Davis, Bernard Cheek, Joshua Spellacy, Angela McHugh, John Donaghey, Michael Spellman, Mary Dingley, John Robinson and all those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

Requiem Mass for John Peach will be on Wednesday 8th September 2021 here at Holy Name Church at 11:00am, followed by Burial at Streetly Cemetery at 1:00pm. The Reception of the Body will be on Tuesday 7th September at 7:00pm with only the family members.

READERS & MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST

I would like to reinstate Readers and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion in the coming weeks. Readers & Ministers who would like to restart their ministry please let Payal know so that we can make a Rota. Ministers are now welcome to take Holy Communion to the Housebound and Sick. If you wish to do this please speak to Fr. Vincent SCJ for further guidance.

NATIONAL MASS FOR THE GUILD OF ST STEPHEN

This year Archdiocese of Birmingham has been asked to host this event. The Mass will take place on Saturday 25th September 2021 at 12noon, at the Parish of St Mary and St John Wolverhampton. To book your place please go to the diocese website or follow this link: https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/ Event/national-mass-for-the-guild-of-saint-Stephen-September-2021.

This Week Saturday 28th August – 5th September Sunday (Psalter Week 2)	Holy Mass & Services	Other Events
Saturday 28th August Memorial of St Augustine, Bishop, Doctor of the Church	12:30pm Joseph Poyner RIP	
TWENTY - SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Sunday 29th August	8:30am The Clare Family 10:30am Philip Whitfield and Family	
Monday 30th August Feria in Ordinary Time	10:00am Marist Sisters - Private Mass	
Tuesday 31st August Feria in Ordinary Time	10:00am The Feeney Family -Private Mass	
Wednesday 1st September	11:00am Holy Rosary	
Feria in Ordinary Time	11:30am Ellen King RIP	
Thursday 2nd September Feria in Ordinary Time	10:00am Sr. Marina & Sr. Bridget - Private Mass	
Friday 3rd September Feast of St Gregory the Great, Pope, Doctor of the Church	11:30am Brendan & Thomas Weir RIP	
Saturday 4th September Feria in Ordinary Time	12:30pm The Dwyer Family	
TWENTY - THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Sunday 5th September	8:30am Kathleen Satchwell 10:30am Brendan & Rosaleen Grogan	

Last week's Offertory Collection: £ 484.47

Gift Aid Envelopes: £ 182.50

Parish Levies: £ 252.75

Standing Order for the Month of July £1783.17

Mass Attendance Last Sunday:196 Thank you for supporting your Parish.



Next Sunday's Mass Readings:

Isaiah 35:4-7; Ps 145:

James 2: 1-5; Mark 7:31-37

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK AND HOLY COMMUNION FOR HOUSEBOUND

If you or someone you know is sick or housebound and unable to attend to Mass, and would like to receive a visit from the Clergy or to receive the Sacraments, please let Fr. Vincent SCJ or the Parish Office know.

If some one is in Hospital, then you need to inform the Hospital Catholic Chaplain, via the Ward Staff, if you would like to see a priest. If you can not contact us yourself, please ask a family member or friend to do this for you.

CONGRATULATIONS

We offer our prayers and our congratulations to Jayne Tomkinson who was received into our Catholic Faith here at Holy Name last weekend. We pray for her and her family that they may continue to receive God's blessings in their lives.

We also congratulate all those who have received their GCSE & A Level results in the past few weeks. We pray that God will continue to bless and guide them in whatever paths they now choose to take.

PARISH CENTRE

We are pleased to report that NHS Vaccination Programme taking place in the Parish Centre has proved to be a success. Consequently they have asked to continue to use the Centre for the rest of this year. The Diocese has asked us to serve our community in anyway we can at the moment and this is our contribution to the care of people locally.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

25th and 26th September—Annual collection in support of Fr Hudson's Society.

2nd October - Day for Altar Service called Proximity to be held at St Mary's College Oscott.

9th October Thanksgiving Mass for Marriage 12 noon at St. Chads Cathedral.

Further details to follow soon.