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## HOLY NAME OF JESUS

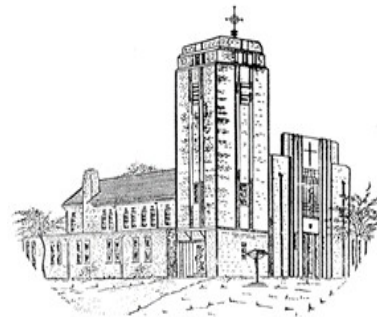
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Parish in the care of the Fathers and  
Brothers of The Sacred Heart of Jesus



**TWENTY- THIRD  
SUNDAY IN ORDINARY  
TIME YEAR B  
4th Sept To 12th  
September 2021**

**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**

Isaiah 35:4-7;

Ps 145;

James 2: 1-5;

Mark 7:31-37

### **Dear Brothers and Sisters,**

The work of God in our lives is so incredible. The gifts of Jesus to those who follow Him are gifts of the Kingdom of God. Jesus brings healing and wholeness to our lives. The Readings of this Sunday touch our human and our spiritual feelings. The Prophet Isaiah tells those whose hearts are frightened, 'Be strong, do not be afraid'.

In the Gospel Reading we hear about the healing miracles of Jesus. He heals a man who was deaf and had a speech impediment by proclaiming "Ephphatha" an Aramaic word which means be opened. The ears of the deaf man suddenly are able to hear. Through this miracle Jesus gives the gift of hearing and speech.

In this healing story, we are struck by the physical means Jesus used to heal the man, the use of spittle and touch. The Church continues to celebrate the sacraments using physical means. In the Sacrament of Baptism, water and oil are used to show the power of the Holy Spirit. In the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, we are anointed with holy oil on the forehead and the hands. In the Eucharist, bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ. We are a sacramental people who believe that God's grace is given to us through these physical signs.

This week on Wednesday we will celebrate the Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, who tells us to "do whatever he tells you." If we cannot hear, than we cannot do and if we cannot "do" then the direction of Mary falls on deaf ears. So, we are invited to ask ourselves, Do we listen? Are our ears open? Do we speak the word of the Lord? Perhaps we need to pray; "Open my ears O Lord, that I might open my heart so that I might follow your command".

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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 Kevin Chilton, John Coffey, Frank Atkinson, Gerald Humphries, Betty Centurion, Mabel Lynch, Ken Lawrence, Joanne Clement, Aleksander Piorowski, Emily Carr, Patrick Waldron, Ann O'Malloran, Michael Purcell, Bridget Cahill 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.**

**SCJ ANNUAL SPONSORED WALK**

The Annual Sponsored walk in support of the Sacred Heart Father's Mission in India, will take place on 25th September 2021 at 1:30pm on the Canal Towpath route near Knowle. This year Bro Andrew will do the walk. You are invited to sponsor him or take part in the walk with him. The sponsor form is in the Church Porch. The Gift Aid declaration forms are available from the office. If you plan to join us please let Bro. Andrew know.

**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 in Wolverhampton. To book your place please go to the diocesan website or follow this link: <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/Event/national-mass-for-the-guild-of-saint-Stephen-September-2021>.

| <p style="text-align: center;"><b>This Week</b><br/> <b>Saturday 4th September –</b><br/> <b>12th September Sunday</b><br/> <b>(Psalter Week 3)</b></p> | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Holy Mass &amp; Services</b></p>          | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Other Events</b></p> |
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| <p><b>Saturday 4th September</b><br/> Feria in Ordinary Time</p>  | <p>12:30pm The Dwyer Family</p>   |  |
| <p><b>TWENTY - THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b><br/> <b>Sunday 5th September</b></p>   | <p>8:30am Kathleen Satchwell<br/> 10:30am Brendan &amp; Rosaleen Grogan</p> | <p><b>10:30am Baptism</b></p>                          |
| <p><b>Monday 6th September</b><br/> Feria in Ordinary Time</p>  | <p>10:00am The Beirne Family<br/> - <b>Private Mass</b></p>                 |  |
| <p><b>Tuesday 7th September</b><br/> Feria in Ordinary Time</p>   | <p>10:00am Sandra Pearson -<br/> <b>Private Mass</b></p>                    | <p><b>7:00pm Reception of the Body into Church</b></p> |
| <p><b>Wednesday 8th September</b><br/> <b>FEAST OF THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</b></p>  | <p><b>11:00am Requiem Mass for John Peach</b></p>                           |  |
| <p><b>Thursday 9th September</b><br/> Feria in Ordinary Time</p>  | <p>10:00am Jean Clare RIP -<br/> <b>Private Mass</b></p>                    | <p><b>7:30pm Baptism Preparation</b></p>               |
| <p><b>Friday 10th September</b><br/> Feria in Ordinary Time</p>   | <p>11:30am Bridget and Robert Hampson RIP</p>                               |  |
| <p><b>Saturday 11th September</b><br/> Feria in Ordinary Time</p>   | <p>12:30pm Philip Davies RIP</p>  |  |
| <p><b>TWENTY - FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b><br/> <b>Sunday 12th September</b><br/> <b>RETIRING COLLECTION FOR CATHOLIC EDUCATION SERVICE</b></p>  | <p>8:30am Pauline Gallahan RIP<br/> 10:30am Angela McHugh RIP</p>           | <p><b>1:15pm Baptism</b></p>                           |

**Last week's  
Offertory  
Collection:  
£385.39**

**Gift Aid Envelopes:  
£ 145.00**

**Standing Order for  
the Month of July  
£1783.17**

**Mass Attendance  
Last Sunday:203  
Thank you for  
supporting your  
Parish.**



**Next Sunday's  
Mass Readings:**

Isaiah 50: 5-9;  
Ps 114;  
James 2: 14-18;  
Mark 8:27-35

## **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.

### **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 Servers called Proximity to be held at St Mary's College Oscott. For more information and how to book please visit this website: [www.vocations.org.uk/proximity](http://www.vocations.org.uk/proximity)

### **ANNUAL THANKSGIVING MASS FOR MARRIAGE**

The annual Diocesan Thanksgiving Mass for Marriage will take place on Saturday 9th October at 12noon at St. Chad's Cathedral. If you are celebrating a milestone anniversary during 2021, from your 1st up to 60th—every 5 years, and every year over 60, please email to Lianne Pap, Marriage and Family Life Co-ordinator, at [marriage.mass@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:marriage.mass@rcaob.org.uk) for your names to be listed in the Mass booklet. You can also send in 'then & now' photos to be part of the video compilation. We are looking to find the longest married couple in the diocese, so if you think you, your parents or grandparents could be it then let Lianne know! The Mass is open to all married couples, as well as those preparing to marry in 2021 but you will need to register a place via above email address. Closing date to register for the Mass is 1st October.