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HOLY NAME OF JESUS

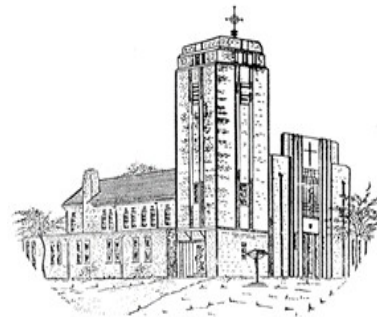
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Parish in the care of the Fathers and
Brothers of The Sacred Heart of Jesus



**TWENTY– NINTH
SUNDAY IN ORDINARY
TIME YEAR B
16th October to 24th
October 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 53:10-11;

Ps 32;

Hebrews 4: 14-16;

Mark 10:35-45

(Mk 10: 42-45)

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

In today's Gospel, the Evangelist Mark tells us that the sons of Zebedee, James and John, two of Jesus' closest disciples, approach Jesus and ask him for a favour. Their attitude and approach to Jesus reflects accurately the corporate mind-set of today's secular world, in which social climbers seek their own self-interest at the expense of others. Indeed James and John are telling Jesus what to do. It sounds like our prayers are sometimes like that telling God what we want him to do for us instead of being open to what God wants from us.

It is worth noting that Jesus does not criticize the two brothers angrily or express indignation at their foolish demand. However, Jesus patiently tries to open their minds to what being his disciple really means. He tells them that they don't know what they are asking. Then he asks them if they can drink the cup of suffering from which he must drink, or endure the baptism of agony he must endure. Jesus basically warns them to be careful what they ask for. There will be some serious suffering involved. The other apostles are furious, after hearing the conversation between Jesus and the two brothers. To them Jesus says; 'Anyone who wants to become great among you must be your servant, and anyone who wants to be first among you must be the slave of all'.

Jesus presents himself as the model: **"The Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many."** He expects the same of his disciples. "Giving one's life" means dying, of course, in the spirit of John, "No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends." However, it also means devoting one's life to others—ideally to one another—in a genuine demonstration of care for each other. In this sense Jesus presents himself as a model not only for bishops, priests and religious, but to spouses, to families and, yes, even to employers and employees.

I would like to conclude this reflection with the words of Muhammad Ali; **'Service to others is the rent you pay for your room here on Earth'**.

Fr. Vincent Arulandhu SCJ

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PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS

Mary Arulandhu, Mary and Arthur Lynch, 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 all those who have died recently. We also remember John Brady, Bridget Fielding, Mary Murphy, Bridget Ward, Michael O'Leary, Jim Grogan, Noel Baynes, Alana Anderson, Patrick McElroy, Annie Wood, Bernard Tumbelty, Edward Brennan, James Abbot, Mary O'Grady, Bill Kingston, Alice Flynn, Terrence McHugh and all those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Next Sunday is World Mission Sunday, when the Holy Father invites all Catholics to contribute to a special collection for Missio, his charity for world mission. Please support Missio in helping missionaries to work alongside communities throughout the world that are poor or in need, regardless of their background or belief. Join in on this special day, that unites Catholics all over the world in prayer and celebration of our Church's mission to share God's love with all people. Please call 020 7821 9755 (office hours) or visit Missio's website to give a single gift, set up a Direct Debit and Gift Aid your donation, if possible: missio.org.uk

MISSIO RED BOX

If you have a Missio Red Box, please empty it into the brown envelopes (available from the Parish office), then hand it into the office. Thank you all for your continue and valuable support. It is much appreciated.



<p style="text-align: center;">This Week Saturday 16th October– 24th October Sunday (Psalter Week 1)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Holy Mass & Services</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Other Events</p>
<p>Saturday 16th October Feria in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>12:30 pm Michael Purcell RIP</p>	
<p>TWENTY - NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Sunday 17th October RETIRING COLLECTION FOR PARISH MAINTENANCE</p>	<p>8:30 am John Santy RIP 10:30 am Terence McHugh RIP</p>	<p>12:30pm Baptism</p>
<p>Monday 18th October Feast of St Luke, Evangelist</p>	<p>10:00 am—Michael Quinn Private Mass</p>	<p>7:30pm Baptism Preparation</p>
<p>Tuesday 19th October Feria in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>9:15am Mass at Holy Name School - Margaret Jones Private Mass</p>	
<p>Wednesday 20th October Feria in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>11:00 am Holy Rosary 11:30 am Peter Hayward RIP</p>	<p>7:30pm Baptism Preparation</p>
<p>Thursday 21st October Feria in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>9:15 am Mass at St. Mark's School - Ints of Rosaleen and Brendan Grogan</p>	
<p>Friday 22nd October Feria in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>11:00 am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 11:30 am Mary O'Grady RIP</p>	
<p>Saturday 23rd October Feria in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>12:30 pm Hugh and Eileen Brady RIP</p>	
<p>THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Sunday 24th October RETIRING COLLECTION FOR APF WORLD MISSION SUNDAY</p>	<p>8:30 am Jack Berry 10:30 am Mary Lynch RIP</p>	

**Last week's
Offertory
Collection:
£310.06**

**Gift Aid Envelopes:
£203.60**

**Retiring Collection
For Parish Levies:
£179.29**

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

**Mass Attendance
Last Sunday: 224
Thank you for
supporting your
Parish.**

REMINDER

We would like to remind you to respect the silence in Church before Mass to allow people to gather in quiet prayer. "Be still and know that I am God."

**Next Sunday's
Mass Readings:**
Jeremiah 31:7-9;
Ps 125;
Hebrews 5: 1-6;
Mark 10: 46-52

VACCINATION CENTRE - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Walkers Pharmacy Vaccination Centre in the Parish Centre is looking for volunteers to support the NHS Staff. If you are interested please contact Walkers Pharmacy directly on 0121 360 7606.

MARRIAGE CARE - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Marriage Care - are a Catholic Charity providing marriage preparation and relationship counselling services both locally and across England and Wales. They are in need of volunteers to join the local centre team and help enable the vital relationship support work they do. In particular they are looking for those interested in training as counsellors. If you or anyone you know may be interested in supporting them or if you would like to know more about the charity, please do contact us [Christina Francis - birmingham.admin@marriagecare.org].

READERS AND MINISTERS

There are new Rotas available for Readers and Ministers from the Church Porch. If any existing readers and ministers would like to re-join the rota please let me know. Also if you would like to become a minister or reader please let me know so that we can make the necessary arrangements for you.
Fr. Vincent SCJ.

SAFEGUARDING

I would like to thank Bernadette Cook and Angela Neil who have served as Safeguarding Officers for the Parish for several years and have now retired from the role. The new Safeguarding officers are Francis and Linda Beirne. We are grateful to them for their support. Fr. Vincent SCJ.

FLOWERS

We would like to thank Trevor Tubb for the flowers donated recently in memory of his wife Mary Ann. If you would like to donate flowers to the Church in memory of a loved one, please contact the Parish Office. Thank you.

