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BETHARRAM

HOLY NAME OF JESUS

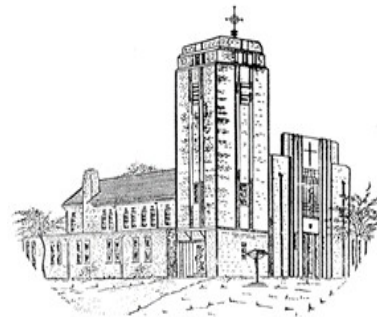
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Parish in the care of the Fathers and
Brothers of The Sacred Heart of Jesus



Today's Mass

Readings

Genesis 2:18-24;

Ps 127;

Hebrews 2:9-11; Mark

10: 2-16

**TWENTY– SEVENTH
SUNDAY IN ORDINARY
TIME YEAR B**

**2nd October to 10th
October 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,

The Readings of this Sunday speak to us about the significance and importance of the institutions of marriage and family. These two are essential institutions founded on genuine love for the sustenance of humanity.

As Jesus was teaching his disciples and people, the Pharisees approach Jesus and ask a question about the lawfulness of divorce to trap Jesus. Under specific conditions, divorce was an accepted practice among the Jewish people during the time of Jesus. It is important to notice that the way they put the question to Jesus - 'Is it against the law for a man to divorce his wife', they didn't ask "is it against the law for a woman to divorce her husband?" Divorce was a very real issue for the Jews at the time of Jesus as indeed it is today in many Christian churches. According to the Jewish teaching, adultery was the only reason for divorce.

To answer their question, Jesus recalls the creation story in Genesis that God's original plan was that man and woman would become one flesh in marriage. God's Plan reveals the truth that both man and woman are made in God's image and likeness. Therefore, Jesus tells us quite clearly that divorce is not part of God's plan. God's dream is that a man and woman who married are called to mirror the fidelity of God. A married couple is asked to reflect the covenant love of God for his people, as God never fails in his promise of fidelity to us. For Jesus, marriage is a gift from God. Marriage is a celebration of creation and of God's love. Finally, these two Readings present a strong picture of Jesus' emphasis on the importance of family and their relationship with God. Parents and families bear witness to the Kingdom of God.

God bless.

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 Margaret Hughes, Jane Gordan, John Robinson, Richard Nellist, Wyn Darling, Mona Graham, Thomas Odgard, Joanna Whitehouse, Mary Collins, Michael Freeman, Johanna Cleary, and all those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

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.



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.

JOB VACANCY

There is vacancy for an exam invigilator at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic College. The job is a casual contract depending an exam demands. For more information and application form please visit the website www.stfrancis.cc. The closing date is midday on 11th October.

SPONSORED WALK

Br. Andrew would like to thank those who have already given him their Sponsor money. He will be happy to receive further donations.

<p style="text-align: center;">This Week Saturday 2nd October– 10th October Sunday (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 2nd October Memorial of the Guardian Angels</p>	<p>12:30 pm Ints of Kasia Ryan</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">TWENTY - SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Sunday 3rd October RETIRING COLLECTION FOR BUILDING FUND</p>	<p>8:30 am Ellen King RIP 10:30 am Jimmy Farrell RIP</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Monday 4th October Memorial of St Francis of Assisi</p>	<p>10:00 am - Ints of William Shaw Private Mass</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Tuesday 5th October Feria in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>NO MASS</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday 6th October Feria in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>NO MASS</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Thursday 7th October Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary</p>	<p>NO MASS</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Friday 8th October Feria in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>11:30am Mary Anne Tubb RIP</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Saturday 9th October Feast of Saint John Henry Newman, Priest</p>	<p>12:30 pm Andy Grusferty</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">TWENTY - EIGHT SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Sunday 10th October RETIRING COLLECTION FOR PARISH LEVIES</p>	<p>8:30 am Margaret Jones 10:30 am John Peach RIP</p>	<p>10:30am Baptism 12:30pm Baptism</p>

**Last week's
Offertory
Collection:
£ 302.20**

**Gift Aid Envelopes:
£123.52**

**Retiring Collection
For Father
Hudson's Society:
£230.10**

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

**Mass Attendance
Last Sunday: 197
Thank you for
supporting your**

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:

Wisdom 7:7-11;
Ps 89;
Hebrews 4: 12-13;
Mark 10:17-30
(Mk 10: 17-27)

THE BIBLE TIMELINE COURSE

We are pleased to bring to your attention a fantastic opportunity for our parishioners in this Year of the Word - The God Who Speaks. For the greater understanding of the Bible from start to finish, the Old and New Testament, Mauro Iannicelli will deliver the Bible Timeline Course, completely free of charge, via Live-Streaming. This course continues on Wednesdays until Wednesday 17 Nov 2021 at 7:00pm. For more Info & Registration please follow this link: www.comeandsee.org

THE BIRMINGHAM ICKNIELD MALE VOICE CHOIR

We are recruiting. You are most welcome to come along and enjoy friendship and singing in the company of others. For further details please contact Steve Watson on 0121 357 3434

KENELM YOUTH TRUST CHARITY GALA

This event will take place on 16th October 2021 at Alton Castle. For more information please visit Kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk/shop and the poster in the Church noticeboard.

ANNUAL INTERCULTURAL MASS

The Annual Intercultural Mass is back and it will take place on Saturday 16th October at St Osburg's Church, Coventry, so linking to Coventry's designation as "City of Culture" this year and marking One World Week and World Mission Sunday. Bishop David Evans will celebrate the Mass at 12.30pm, followed by a social gathering. All are welcome and asked to bring food to share.

RETRouvaille

Retrouvaille is an excellent programme to support couples who have difficulties in their marriage. It brings a positive focus, new hope and helps nourish the couple in their marriage. The programme has successfully supported many couples and helped save their marriages through attending the course, now available online, and using the tools provided. The next programme starts with a Virtual weekend on 1- 4 October 2021. For more info please call on 07887 296983 or 07973 380443 – or email at retrovail-leukinfo@gmail.com - or visit www.retrouvaille.org.uk

FLOWERS

If you would like to donate flowers to the Church in memory of a loved one, please contact the Parish Office. Thank you.