



THE ARCHDIOCESE
of BIRMINGHAM

**SECOND SUNDAY OF
EASTER
YEAR C
23rd April 2022 to
1st May 2022**

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

Acts 5:12-16;
Ps 117;
Apocalypse
1:9-13, 17-19; John
20:19-31
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My dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ

This Sunday is known, in my tradition, as the new Sunday because it is the first Sunday after Easter and the reason is that a new life has begun through the Resurrection of Jesus Christ. In today's Gospel we see the disciples of Jesus were in a closed room because of their fear of the Jews. This attitude of fear that the disciples had also affects us in the present. The disciples truly know that their Master is Risen but they are not able to speak publicly. We Christians fear the world and other religions and hesitate to speak of Christ Jesus as the only Saviour of the world. We accommodate to the world and choose the safer place not wanting to disturb others by witnessing to Christ. People used to say it is a diplomatic way of living in this world in peace and harmony. Actually it is a fear that badly affects the majority of Christians. Witnessing for Christ is the primary duty of Christians that is why the martyrs of the early Church witnessed to Christ with their blood. Jesus is the Lord, and God raised Him from the dead so that whoever believes in his heart and professes with his lips will be saved. It was the preaching of the apostles and that continues even today in the apostolic Churches. We criticise the Apostle Thomas for not believing in the testimony of his fellow Apostles "Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe". We have never seen the risen Christ but our faith is based on the proclamation of the apostles and the witness of the disciples. Today's mentality is that we only accept something with facts and figures and with solid proofs. It is not just a problem for people of other religions and even an atheist can accept the historical Jesus but the problem arises when we are asked to believe in His Resurrection and in Him as God and Saviour of the World. Jesus said "if you give witness to me before people, I will witness to you before my Father". That is eternal Life. We are looking forward to the world to come.

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PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS

Mary Arulandhu, Mary and Arthur Lynch, Anis Kazmie, 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 **Michael Clarke (Mick), Fr William Edward Simpson (Fr Ted) SCJ** and all those who have died recently. We also remember, Patrick Pritchard, James Gardner, Betty Bacon, Josephine Moore, Francis Clarke, Linda Concannon, Bridget Murphy, Bert Fenton, Naomi Hill, Gerard Hayes, Mary Whittle, Joseph Greaves, Mary Donohoe, and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Requiem Mass for Michael Alfred Clarke is on Wednesday 4th May 2022 at 10:00am here in Church followed by Burial at Danescourt Cemetery Wolverhampton 12:00pm.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS AND READERS ROTA

Please collect your New Eucharistic Minister and Readers Rota from the Church Porch as you leave Mass today. Thank you.

THANK YOU

Sincere thanks to all the volunteers who have contributed in any way to the preparation of Holy Week and Easter this year. Many hours of hard work have gone into these services to allow us to fully celebrate the Lord's Resurrection once again. May the Lord bless you all with Easter joy.

HOLY NAME SCHOOL - OFFICE MANAGER VACANCY:

Holy Name Catholic Primary School is currently recruiting a school office manager. Please contact the school office for further information. headteacher@holynamesandwell.sch.uk. Phone: 0121 357 3216. The closing date for applications is Thursday 5th May.

<p style="text-align: center;">This Week Saturday 23rd April - Sunday 1st May (Psalter Week 2)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Holy Mass & Services</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Other Events</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Saturday 23rd April Easter Saturday, Solemnity</p>	<p>12:30pm Joe McNamara R.I.P</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Sunday 24th April SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER</p>	<p>8:30 am Jackie Conway R.IP 10:30 am Malcolm Morris R.I.P</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Monday 25th April FEAST OF ST MARK, EVANGELIST</p>	<p>11:00am Devine Mercy 11:30am Bernadette O'Reilly</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Tuesday 26th April SOLEMNITY OF ST GEORGE, MARTYR, PATRON OF ENGLAND</p>	<p>Christine Brady R.I.P Private Mass</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday 27th April Easter Feria</p>	<p>11:00am Rosary 11:30am Linda Concannon R.I.P</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Thursday 28th April Easter, Feria</p>	<p>9:10am Mass at St. Mark's School John and Richard Murphy R.I.P</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Friday 29th April FEAST OF ST CATHERINE OF SIENA, VIRGIN, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH, PATRON OF EUROPE</p>	<p>11:00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 11:30am Ints of Mary, Elaine Bryson and Family</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Saturday 30th April Easter Feria</p>	<p>12:30pm John and Sean Lynch R.I.P</p>	<p>12:00pm Confession</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Sunday 1st May THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER RETIRING COLLECTION FOR BUILDING FUND</p>	<p>8:30 am Linda Concannon RIP 10:30 am Mary and Joe Grennin R.I.P</p>	<p>12:00pm Baptism</p>

Gift Aid Envelopes:
£153.70

Holy Places:
£252.02

**Standing Order for
the Month of
March
£1618.50**

**Mass Attendance
Last Sunday:335**

**Thank you for
supporting your
Parish.**



**Next Sunday's
Mass Readings:**

Acts 5:27-32,
40-41; Ps 29;
Apocalypse
5:11-14; John
21: 1-19
(Jn 21: 1-14)
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UKRAINE APPEAL

We have received a letter from CAFOD thanking us for the donation of £1060.69 which we sent recently. They say that they work with their partners in Caritas to provide food, clean water, healthcare and travel on to safer places. This letter is on the notice board in the Church Porch.

CAFOD LENT APPEAL

We have also received a letter from CAFOD thanking us for the donation of £497.54 in support of the Lent Appeal. This money is used to support projects around the world to fight malnutrition and food poverty. This letter is on the notice board in the Church Porch.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Eucharistic ministers who take Communion to the sick and housebound require an up to date DBS check (within the last 3 years). If this applies to you, please email the Diocesan Safeguarding office at sg.holyname.bham@rcaob.org.uk with your phone number . They will help you with the process.

Once you have completed your DBS check please notify the parish Office.

PARISH CONFIRMATION PREPARATION

Please note the change of dates and times. The program will start on this Saturday 23 April from 9.30 – 10.30 and will run for consecutive Saturdays. The Confirmation date is 18th May at 7.30pm.

PARISH HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION

The first Holy Communion is on Sunday 10th July at 10:30am. The preparation sessions start on Sunday 5th June. More details to follow after Easter.

PIETY STALL

The Piety stall will be open on the weekend of 8th/9th May and 14th/15th May for Confirmation cards and gifts. The Confirmations are 18th and 19th May.