



THE ARCHDIOCESE  
of BIRMINGHAM

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF  
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YEAR C  
2nd April 2022 to  
10th April 2022**

# HOLY NAME OF JESUS

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## Today's Mass Readings

Isaiah, 43:16-21;  
Ps 125;  
Philippians 3:8-14;  
John 8:1-11  
Prayer book  
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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**

## MY DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN CHRIST

In today's Gospel the Pharisees brought an adulterous woman to Jesus. They thought that Jesus would condemn her immediately. They were wrong because the thoughts and ways of Jesus were different to theirs. So instead of condemning her Jesus restored her life. He simply told her "Go and sin no more". God shows mercy but always demands accountability. God's mercy is to renew our lives. God pardons our sins and debts through the Sacrament of Reconciliation in order that we may turn away from the ways of life that lead to ruin. It gives us a responsibility to make order in our lives according to Christian faith and morals.

The attitude of Pharisees and Scribes is to judge others in the eyes of the Mosaic Law and they look only at others not at themselves. They think about themselves that they are perfect and others are not. This tendency we can see in our lives also. You and I would never probably never pick up a stone to throw at another person in judgement but there are plenty of times you and I might be tempted to think that we are without sin. We have a tendency for self-justification and think that we are better than others. As human beings we are fragile and vulnerable and prone to sin. It is by the grace of God that we can lead a good Christian life. It is good to remember the words of St. Paul "I am what I am is by the grace of God".

In this incident we see the mind of Jesus. He has come not to call the just but sinners. That means those who need His help. His mission is to save us from all our sins. It is not to condemn us. Hence Jesus says: "I have come that they may have life and life in its full." (Jn.10: 10)

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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 **Bridie Madden, Pat Poyner**, and all those who have died recently. We also remember, Harold Charles, John King, Tom Breen, Gillian Kenny, Mavis Bolton, Mary Dunne, Mary Lynch, Norman Evetts, Vincent Waldron, Frank Mullen, Hugh Creegan, May Brookely, Matthew Lee, Josephine Savings And all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

**Requiem Mass for Bridie Madden is on Monday 4th April 2022 here at 11:30am in Church followed by Burial at Heath Lane Cemetery at 1:00pm.**

**Requiem Mass for Pat Poyner is on Friday 8th April 2022 at 11:30am here in Church followed by Cremation at Perry Barr at 1:30pm.**

**Reception of the Body will be on Thursday 7th April at 4:30pm.**

## HOLY WEEK ROTA

If you signed up to help during Holy Week, please collect a rota from the Church Porch. Thank you.

## PIETY STALL

The Piety Stall will be open this weekend after the 12:30pm and 10:30am Masses for the sale of Easter Cards and the other usual items available. We hope to open after all the Masses next weekend. Cash only.

## EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

We are very short of Ministers at present at all the Sundays Masses. If you would like to become a Minister to help distribute Holy Communion at Mass please speak to Fr. Kuriakose.

<b>This Week</b> <b>Saturday 2nd April -</b> <b>Sunday 10th April</b> <b>(Psalter Week 1)</b>	<b>Holy Mass &amp; Services</b>	<b>Other Events</b>
<b>Saturday 2nd April</b> Lent Feria	12:30pm Mary Lynch RIP	<b>12:00pm Confessions</b>
<b>Sunday 3rd April</b> <b>FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT</b>	8:30 am Ints of Rhonda Avery and Family 10:30 am John Peach RIP	<b>3:00pm Stations of the Cross Lead by Church Helpers</b> <b>4:00pm Syro Malankara Holy Mass</b>
<b>Monday 4th April</b> Lent Feria	<b>11:30am Requiem Mass for Bridie Madden</b>	
<b>Tuesday 5th April</b> Lent Feria	Bill Morrall <b>Private Mass</b>	
<b>Wednesday 6th April</b> Lent Feria	<b>9:15am</b> Ints of Marist Sisters <b>(Holy Name School Mass in School)</b> <b>11:00am Rosary</b> 11:30am Brendan and Rosaleen Grogan (in Church)	
<b>Thursday 7th April</b> Lent Feria	11:30am Joe McNamara <b>Holy Mass in Church</b>	<b>4:30pm Reception of the Body Pat Poyner</b>
<b>Friday 8th April</b> Lent Feria	<b>11:30am Requiem Mass for Pat Poyner</b>	
<b>Saturday 9th April</b> Lent Feria	12:30 pm James Bannaghan	<b>After Mass Senior Altar Servers Meeting</b>
<b>Sunday 10th April</b> <b>PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD</b> <b>Retiring Collection for Easter Church Flowers</b>	8:30 am John McMulkin RIP 10:30 am Patrick Duffy RIP	<b>2:00pm Stations of the Cross</b> <b>3:00pm Syro - Malankara Holy Mass</b>

Last week's  
Offertory  
Collection:  
£257.27

Gift Aid Envelopes:  
£164.50

Parish  
Maintenance:  
£180.35

Standing Order for  
the Month of  
February  
£1,610.50

Mass Attendance  
Last Sunday: 218

Thank you for  
supporting your  
Parish.



Next Sunday's  
Mass Readings:  
Isaiah 50:4-7;  
Ps 21;  
Philippians 2:6-11;  
Luke 22:14-23:56  
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## RECENT COVID—19 UPDATE FOR EASTER BY BISHOPS' CONFERENCE

### HOLY WEEK AND EASTER.

**Holy Thursday:** The Washing of the Feet is restored. The celebrant should wear a face covering whilst performing this rite.

**Good Friday:** The Veneration of the Cross is also restored. When you approach the Cross, please do not kiss the Cross but bow to reverence it.

**Easter Vigil:** The Easter Vigil is restored in its full Rite. The faithful gathering for the ceremonies can have candles. The sprinkling of the Holy Water on the faithful during is permitted.

### LENT PENITENTIAL SERVICE

After so long with limited opportunities for receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation, we have this service in Holy Week, Monday 11th April at 7:30pm. For those who have not attended this service before, it consists of Scripture readings and reflections to remind us of God's loving mercy to all his children and our own weakness which we bring to Him for healing. After this time of prayer, we make our personal confession to the priest and receive individual absolution. Please come along to receive God's healing love.

### GOOD FRIDAY WALK OF WITNESS AT THE SCOTT ARMS

This will be lead this year by the Vicar of St Paul's Rev Siobhan Bridge. The service will begin at 10.30. We will meet up at the Methodist Church at 10.15 and make our way together with them from there. All are invited to join this act of witness and prayer for Good Friday.

### GIFT AID

Many thanks to all those involved in the Gift Aid Scheme. It is a very valuable source of income to the Parish at no extra cost to us. If you use the Gift Aid envelopes, the new ones are available for collection from the Porch.

Please consider making your offering by Standing Order as this helps us a lot.

If you would like to join the Gift Aid scheme or set up a Standing Order, please contact the Parish Office for the forms.