

### HOLY NAME OF JESUS

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THE ARCHDIOCESE

of BIRMINGHAM

THIRTY—FIRST
SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
YEAR C PART 2
29th October to
6th November 2022

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

Wisdom

11:22-12:2;

Ps 144:

2 Thessalonians

1:11-2:2;

Luke 19:1-10

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Homily on 31<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C.

#### My dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ

In today's Gospel we see a tax collector, Zacchaeus, who wanted to see Jesus but he could not because he was too short. He tried his level best to see Jesus and Jesus was pleased by his effort. Tax collectors are sometimes called publicans and they are mentioned many times in the Bible (mainly in the New Testament). The tax collectors were hated by the Jews because of their perceived greed and collaboration with the Romans.

Zacchaeus was a Chief tax collector. He is characterized in three ways: He was a Jew, a chief tax collector and a wealthy man. He was wealthy but was not happy. Inevitably he was lonely, for he had chosen a way that made him an outcast. He was not respected in the society. He had wealth, but not salvation; he had money but no respect. He was despised and hated by all. He heard about Jesus and ran ahead of the crowd and climbed a sycamore tree in order to catch glimpse of Jesus who was to pass that way.

The figure of Zacchaeus should teach us that no one is beyond the reach of God's grace. Every soul is very dear to him. There are many people today who are looking for Jesus like Zacchaeus but they don't have the opportunity or courage to act like him. Zacchaeus overcame his smallness and the social stigma through his dedication. How dedicated are we in our spiritual matters? How dedicated are we in our responsibilities? There can be no true devotion without dedication, and no dedication without determination.

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## Safeguarding Officers

#### PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS

Mary Arulandhu, Annette Keates, Mary and Arthur Lynch, Anis Kazmie, Bernie Mortlock, Audrey Clewlow, Catherine Freeman, Claire Harbutt, Carmen Mulholland, Denise Watson, Enid and John King, Teresa Goddard, Stephen Hurley, Bridget Green, Haydee Stanton, Linda Lowe, Sr Annie Enright, Jackie Tammam, Janet Chamberlain, Rudolf and Irene Sampays, Grace Sharron, Joan Rawlings, Norman Kingscott, Sheila Shearon, and Bridget Whitfield.

#### RECENTLY DEAD AND ANNIVERSARIES

Please remember Joan Coppock, Anthony Geary and all those who have died recently. We also remember, John Grummeett, Mary Morrow, Tytus Foryszewski, Maureen Cullen, Johann Csucsmi, Annie Campbell, Eric Round, Annie O'Gara, Frieda Farrell, Anthony Dolan, Ada Connolly, Harold Styles, Bridie Wozniak, John Kinsella, Margaret Walsh, Jack Cannon, and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Funeral Service for Anthony Joseph Geary is on Friday 11th November 2022 at 1:15pm here in Church followed by Burial at Sutton New Hall Cemetery at 2:30pm.

#### READERS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS ROTA

New copies of Readers and Eucharistic Ministers Rota are available at the back of the Church. If you are involved in these ministries, please do collect one.

#### **MISSIO**

Thank you very much for your donations to World Mission Sunday last week. Your prayers and support of World Mission Sunday will help missionaries work alongside communities throughout the world that are poor or in need, regardless of their background or belief.

#### **Coffee Morning Costs**

We would like to welcome everyone to the coffee morning after the 10.30 Mass on Sunday. It is a good opportunity to get to know each other better. However, we are all very aware of the increased energy costs we are currently facing. Obviously this also applies to the cost of heating the Parish Centre and we hope you will help and support us in this.

This Week Saturday 29th October - Sunday 6th November (Psalter Week 3)	Holy Mass & Services	Other Events
Saturday 29th October Feria in Ordinary Time	12:30pm Michael Purcell R.I.P	12:00pm Confession
SUNDAY 30TH OCTOBER THIRTY - FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME RETIRING COLLECTION FOR BUILDING FUND	8:30 am Bill O'Keefe R.I.P 10:30 am Michael and Anne Doocey R.I.P <b>S.V.P Commitment Mass</b>	Coffee & Tea in the Parish Centre after 10:30am Mass. S.V.P 12:00pm Baptism
Monday 31st October Feria in Ordinary Time	NO MASS	
Tuesday 1st November SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS	11:30am (HN School Mass) Holy Mass for the Parish 7:00pm Timmy Hayes	
Wednesday 2nd November The commemoration of All the Faithful Departed	11:00am Rosary 11:30am For all the Deceased Parishioners	
Thursday 3rd November Feria in Ordinary Time	9:15am Mass at St. Marks School Ints of Sandra Pearson	4:30pm Our Parish Finance Meeting
Friday 4th November  Memorial of St Charles  Borromeo, Bishop	11:00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 11:30am Ints of Brid Meaney	
Saturday 5th November Feria in Ordinary Time	12:30pm Sean Lynch R.I.P	12:00pm Confession
SUNDAY 6TH NOVEMBER THIRTY - SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME RETIRING COLLECTION FOR JOHNSON ASSOCIATION (RETIRED AND INFIRM CLERGY)	8:30 am Michael and Patrick Cattigan R.I.P 10:30 am Patrick Duffy R.I.P	Coffee & Tea in the Parish Centre after 10:30am. Knights of St. Columba  12:00pm Baptism

Last Week's Offertory Collection: £398.96 Gift Aid Envelopes: £178.50

APF World Mission: £202.87

Standing Order for the Month of August: £1770.50

Mass Attendance Last Sunday:246

Thank you for supporting your Parish.



Next Sunday's
Mass Readings:
2 Maccabees
7:1-2, 9-14; Ps 16;
2 Thessalonians
2:16-3:5;
Luke 20:27-38
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#### **CHRISTMAS FAYRE**

The annual Christmas Fayre will take place on Saturday 19th November after 12:30pm Mass in the Parish Centre. Your donations will now be appreciated. We are in need of toys, Chocolates, bottles and Fancy Goods. These can be left in the Parish Office during office hours. No clothes, books or CDs. Thank you.

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Thank you .

#### PIETY STALL AND CHRISTMAS CARDS

Christmas cards and gifts are now available from the Piety Stall after Mass at the weekend.

#### SENIOR CITIZENS AND SPECIAL NEEDS PARTY

You are warmly invited to our Senior Citizens party to be held in the Parish Centre on Saturday 10th December 2022. Please take the letter with you from the Church Porch after Mass and fill in the form below and return to the Parish Office by 1st of December 2022.

#### **BUILDING FUND**

There are envelopes available in the Church Porch for members of the Gift Aid scheme to use for this collection. Please only use them if you are already a member of the scheme.

### HOLY NAME SCHOOL – RECEPTION CLASS PLACES FOR SEPTEMBER 2023:

We would like to invite any parents have children who will be eligible for a reception place in September 2023 to visit our wonderful school on **Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> November** at **9.15am**. Please phone or email the school office if you wish to attend. We look forward to meeting you! Phone: 0121 357 3216

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