



THE ARCHDIOCESE  
of BIRMINGHAM

**FIRST SUNDAY OF  
ADVENT  
YEAR A PART - 1  
26th November to  
4th December 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

Mass Readings:

Isaiah 2:1-5;

Ps 121;

Roman 13:11-14;

Matthew 24:37-44

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## MY DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN CHRIST

Advent is the time for spiritual preparation for the feast of the Nativity of Jesus Christ. The birth of Jesus brought peace on earth to people of good will. The Incarnation of the Word of God elevated humanity into the heights of heaven. Jesus by His birth made peace between God and man. Jesus is the greatest gift that God the Father gave to the humanity that is why we exchange gifts at Christmas time. The concern and love of the God the Father towards mankind is revealed through His Son. God so loved world that He gave His only begotten Son to the world. We remember the great love of God the Father during these days and we prepare ourselves to celebrate this great Event in the history of mankind by prayer, meditation, fasting and alms giving.

As preparation for Christmas, may I suggest that you use the days of Advent to read one of the Gospels in its entirety. This allows us to get to know the life of Jesus better and to understand his mission more clearly. If you prefer, you could use the Walk With Me Booklet to help your prayer and reflection during Advent. It is important to use these days of preparation well.

The readings for the 1st Sunday of Advent Year A speak of readiness for the coming of Jesus Christ. In the first reading we hear that God will establish His kingdom and we must be ready to walk in the light of God. In the second reading Paul warns us to be awake. In the gospel Jesus warns us not to be unprepared, as people were in the days of Noah. This is a time to prepare for our Lord to come into our hearts.

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## PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS

Mary Arulandhu, Annette Keates, Lynn Marie, Mary and Arthur Lynch, Anis Kazmie, Bernie Mortlock, , 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, Sheila Shearon, and Bridget Whitfield.

## RECENTLY DEAD AND ANNIVERSARIES

Please remember **Audrey Clewlow, Stephen Ault, Norman Kingscott, John Cremin** and all those who have died recently. We also remember, Joe Henderson, Rita Glassup, Bryn Howells, James Martin, Philip Monksmith, Anthony Donaghey, Frank Brennan, Annie Sedley, Alek Sander Sarnowski, Maurice Hughes, Hilda Lively, Dominic Callaghan, Joseph McManus, William Dorgan, William Hart, William Whitehouse, Rose Larkman, Kelan O'Sullivan, Patrick Campion, Rose Donahoe, and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

**Requiem Mass for Audrey Clewlow is on Monday 12th December 2022 at 11:00am here in the Church followed by Burial at Oscott Cemetery at 12:30pm.**

## CHRISTMAS FAYRE

The Christmas Fayre last Saturday was a great success.

**We raised £1,817.39** in all and we would like to thank everyone involved for their effort. You donated some lovely items and the cakes were greatly appreciated as always! Thanks too to the volunteers who took care of the stalls, sorting, setting up, selling and then tidying away. Thanks to everyone who came to spend their money. We hope you enjoyed the social side of the afternoon as well. Finally, a special word of thanks to Payal Gordhan who co-ordinated everyone's efforts and was always on hand with help, advice and support.

**Fr Kuriakose.**

## PREPARATION FOR CONFIRMATION 2023

If you have a child in Year 6, who does not attend either St Mark's or Holy Name school and who wishes to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in February, please contact the Parish Office as soon as possible.

<b>This Week</b> <b>Saturday 26th November -</b> <b>Sunday 4th December</b> <b>(Psalter Week 1)</b>	<b>Holy Mass &amp; Services</b>	<b>Other Events</b>
<b>Saturday 26th November</b> Feria in Ordinary Time	12:30pm Ints of Jacqui Tammam	<b>12:00pm Confession</b>
<b>SUNDAY 27TH NOVEMBER</b> <b>FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b>	8:30 am Philip Monksmith R.I.P ( <b>Commissioning of new Eucharistic Ministers</b> ) 10:30 am Sarah Beirne R.I.P	Coffee & Tea in the Parish Centre after 10:30am. Helena, Marie and friends <b>12:00pm Baptism</b>
<b>Monday 28th November</b> Advent Feria	<b>11:00am Divine Mercy</b> 11:30am Ints of Gusia McNally	
<b>Tuesday 29th November</b> Advent Feria	<b>Private Mass</b> P.J Finn	
<b>Wednesday 30th November</b> <b>Feast of St Andrew, Apostle</b>	<b>11:00am Rosary</b> 11:30am ( <b>HN School Mass in Church</b> ) Charlotte Revill R.I.P	<b>7:30pm Baptism Talk</b>
<b>Thursday 1st December</b> <b>Feast of St Edmund</b> <b>Campion, Priest, Martyr</b>	<b>9:15am Mass at St. Marks</b> <b>School</b> Ints of Jackie Mooney	
<b>Friday 2nd December</b> Advent Feria	<b>11:00am Exposition of the</b> <b>Blessed Sacrament</b> 11:30am James Martin R.I.P	
<b>Saturday 3rd December</b> Memorial of St. Francis Xavier, Priest	<b>12:30pm Thanksgiving Mass</b> <b>for all the Volunteers in the</b> <b>Parish</b>	<b>12:00pm Confession</b> <b>6pm Volunteers party</b>
<b>SUNDAY 4TH DECEMBER</b> <b>SECOND SUNDAY OF</b> <b>ADVENT</b> <b>RETIRING COLLECTION</b> <b>FOR POOR PARISH</b>	8:30 am Ernest Cole R.I.P 10:30 am Michael Clarke R.I.P	Coffee & Tea in the Parish Centre after 10:30am. <b>S.V.P</b> <b>12:00pm Baptism</b>

**Last Week's  
Offertory  
Collection:  
£400.10**

**Gift Aid Envelopes:  
£220.50**

**Standing Order for  
the Month of  
September:  
£1591.50**

**Mass Attendance  
Last Sunday:311  
Thank you for  
supporting your  
Parish.**



**Next Sunday's  
Mass Readings:  
Isaiah 11:1-10;  
Ps 71;  
Romans 15:4-9;  
Matthew 3:1-12  
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## **THE GIVING TREE**

The Giving Tree is now in church. It supports the work of both the SVP in the Parish and with local schools and St Chad's Sanctuary in Birmingham, which helps refugees and asylum seekers. The deadline for the SVP is 10th December and for St Chad's Sanctuary 19<sup>th</sup> December. Thank you for your continuing generosity.

## **THANKSGIVING MASS AND HELPERS PARTY 3RD DECEMBER 2022- URGENT REMINDER**

If you have not already replied to your invitation, can you please ensure that you let the Office know as soon as possible if you will be attending this event so that we can make the necessary catering arrangements. You can email or phone and leave a message. We look forward to seeing you there.

## **CHRISTMAS FLOWERS**

If you would like to make donation for the Christmas Flowers, please put the money in the envelope and bring it to the office. Thank you.

## **RAFFLE PRIZES**

There are some unclaimed raffle prizes in the Office. Please call in and collect them.

## **WALK WITH ME BOOKLET AND CALENDARS FOR ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS**

The "Walk with Me" booklets and Calendar for Advent and Christmas are available from the Church Porch. A small donation is appreciated to defray the cost. Please take a copy for yourself. Thank you.

