



# HOLY NAME OF JESUS

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THE ARCHDIOCESE  
of BIRMINGHAM

**TWENTY – SEVENTH  
SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME  
7th to  
15th October  
2023**

**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  
Isaiah 5:1-7;  
Ps 79;  
Philippians 4:6-9;  
Matthew 21:33-43  
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## **My dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ.**

In today's Readings, the focus is on discipleship and our choice to follow Jesus or not. In the first reading we hear that Israel was warned that they must be faithful and in the second reading St. Paul encourages Christians to continue along the path that Jesus has shown. The Gospel tells us the parable of the tenants who rejected the landowner. God, the landowner of the vineyard, finally decided to send His own Son, who was rejected by the wicked tenants and was brutally murdered. He was saying that the kingdom of heaven will be taken away from the house of Israel and will be given to a people who will bear fruit (Cf. Mt 21:43), the People of God, the New Israel. This is the Church founded and instituted by Our Lord Jesus Christ, who is "The stone that the builders rejected" and which "has become the cornerstone". The New People of God is expected to bear fruits of holiness and virtue. Christians throughout the ages have seen this parable as exhorting them to build faithfully upon Christ and to make sure they do not fall into the sin of rejecting his Church. We should be filled with hope and a sense of security; for, although the Church at times seems to be under attack, its secure foundation, with Christ as its cornerstone, is assured. Our Lord promised that His vineyard will never be destroyed, His Church will prevail over the gates of evil, of Hell. Hence, St. Paul exhorts us to "Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus." (Phil 4:6)

Have a blessed Sunday.

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**Safeguarding  
Officers****PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS**

Mary Arulandhu, Annette Keates, Lynne Mary Allan, Arthur Lynch, Anis Kazmie, Bernie Mortlock, Catherine Freeman, Claire Harbutt, Carmen Mulholland, Christine Enid and John King, Joyce Finch, Debbie Ferris, Diane Liddell, Margaret and David Curtis, David Quigley, Christine McGivern, Teresa Goddard, Bridget Green, Haydee Stanton, Linda Lowe, Jackie Tammam, Janet Chamberlain, Rudolf and Irene Sampays, Grace Sharron, Bridget Whitfield and Patricia Lacey.

**RECENTLY DEAD AND ANNIVERSARIES**

Please remember **Kevin Hammond, Raymond Henderson and Michael Kenny** and all those who have died recently. We also remember Joanna Whitehouse, Mary Collins, Michael Freeman, Johanna Cleary, William Richards, Frank Wood, Helen Looney, Stella Rhodes, Rose Coll, Anthony Dolan, Jennifer Baxter, Anne Haycock, Anthony Geary, Thomas Clarke, Frank Edwards, Sydney Burgiss, Bridget Atkinson, John Santy and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

**Requiem Mass for Raymond Henderson, is on Wednesday, 25 October 2023, here in Church at 10:00am**

**Followed by Burial at Handsworth Cemetery at 11:30am.**

**Raymond Henderson will be received into Church on Tuesday, 24 October at 5:00pm.**

**MARIST WAY GROUP MEETING**

Marist Way Group Meeting Tuesday 10th October at 2:30pm in the Convent.

**MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING**

Many thanks to everyone who helped, contributed to and supported this worthy charity. The event raised a total of £784.04 thank you.

**CONFIRMATION**

The sessions starts Saturday 14th October at 10:00am

**RECEPTION CLASS SPACES AVAILABLE!**

If you have a child/know of a child whose date of birth is between 1/09/2018 and 31/08/2019, they could qualify for a place at St. Mark's Catholic Primary School in our Reception class. Please contact the school office on 0121 357 9892 for more details.

<p align="center"><b>This Week</b>  <b>Saturday 7th October –</b>  <b>Sunday 15th October</b>  <b>(Psalter Week 3)</b></p>	<p align="center"><b>Holy Mass Intentions</b></p>	<p align="center"><b>Devotions &amp;</b>  <b>Other Events</b></p>
<p><b>Saturday 7th October</b>            Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary</p>	<p><b>12:30pm</b> Jim Lynch RIP</p>	<p><b>12:00pm Confession</b></p>
<p><b>Sunday 8th October</b>  <b>TWENTY-SEVEN SUNDAY IN</b>  <b>ORDINARY TIME</b>  <b>RETIRING COLLECTION FOR</b>  <b>PARISH MAINTENANCE</b></p>	<p><b>8:30am</b> Patricia Callaghan RIP  <b>10:30am</b> Ints of Bernadette and Adrian O’Sullivan  <b>12:00pm</b> Baptism</p>	<p>Coffee &amp; Tea in the Parish Centre after 10:30am Mass  <b>By Helena, Marie and Friends</b></p>
<p><b>Monday 9th October</b>  <b>Feast of saint John Henry Newman, Priest</b></p>	<p><b>11:30am</b> Ints of Sr Anne Ord</p>	<p><b>11:00am Divine Mercy</b></p>
<p><b>Tuesday 10th October</b>            Feria in Ordinary Time</p>	<p><b>9:15am</b> Manpreet Sira Kaur RIP</p>	
<p><b>Wednesday 11th October</b>            Feria in Ordinary Time</p>	<p><b>11:30am Holy Mass in Church</b> Ints of Catherine and Bernie Campbell</p>	<p><b>11:00am Rosary</b></p>
<p><b>Thursday 12th October</b>            Feria in ordinary Time</p>	<p><b>9:00am Holy Mass in St. Mark’s School</b> Annie Galvin</p>	<p><b>7:00pm Christmas Fayre Open Meeting</b></p>
<p><b>Friday 13th October</b>            Feria in ordinary Time</p>	<p><b>9:15am HN School Mass in School</b>  <b>11:30am</b> Ints of O’Sullivan Family</p>	<p><b>11:00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</b></p>
<p><b>Saturday 14th October</b>            Feria in ordinary Time</p>	<p><b>12:30pm</b> Michael Freeman RIP</p>	<p><b>12:00pm Confession</b></p>
<p><b>Sunday 15th October</b>  <b>TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN</b>  <b>ORDINARY TIME</b>  <b>RETIRING COLLECTION FOR</b>  <b>BUILDING FUND</b></p>	<p><b>8:30am</b> John Santy RIP  <b>10:30am</b> Ints of Mrs Chris Doherty    <b>3:00pm</b> Syro Community Mass</p>	<p>Coffee &amp; Tea in the Parish Centre after 10:30am Mass  <b>By Holy Name Choir</b></p>

**Last Week's  
Offertory  
Collection:  
£351.47**

**Gift Aid Envelopes:  
£139.00**

**Parish Levies  
£120.01**

**Standing Order for  
the month of  
August :1,795.00**

**Mass Attendance  
Last Sunday: 249**

**Thank you for  
supporting your  
Parish.**



**Next Sunday's  
Mass Readings:  
Isaiah 25:6-10;  
Ps 22;  
Philippians  
4:12-14, 19-20;  
Matthew 22:1-14**

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## **CHRISTMAS FAYRE**

We will be holding our Christmas Fayre on Saturday 18th November 2023. In order to prepare for this, there will be a planning meeting on Thursday 12th October at 7:00pm here in the Parish Office. If you are interested in getting involved and would like to help at this event, we like to invite the volunteers for the meeting. Please make a note in your diary. We also welcome parishioners to support this important social and fund raising event in the Parish. All are very welcome. Fr. Kuriakose.

## **PIETY STALL**

The Piety Stall will be open from this weekend for the sale of Christmas cards and gifts.

## **SENIOR CITIZENS PARTY**

We are looking for caterers for this event. If you know of anyone who could help, please let Payal know as soon as possible. Thank you.

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

The Christmas Fayre will be held on Saturday 18th November 2023 after the 12:30pm Mass.

The Senior Citizens' party will be held on Saturday 16th December after the 12:30pm Mass.

## **MISSIO RED BOXES**

If you have a Red Box, please collect a brown envelope from the Church Porch, empty your box into it and return the money to the Parish Office. Missio is the Pope's charity which helps those churches which are too poor or too young to help themselves. Many thanks for supporting the work of this important charity.

## **THE SYNOD IN ROME**

The Synod meets in Rome from 4<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> October. This meeting of representatives from all over the world will consider the main issues facing the church at present and try to understand what needs to be done to encourage the church to grow and flourish. The Holy Father has asked all the Catholics to join in prayer during the time of Synod, so that the Holy Spirit will guide God's holy Church in these discussions.