



THE ARCHDIOCESE  
of BIRMINGHAM

FIFTH SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME  
3RD FEBRUARY TO  
11TH FEBRUARY  
2024

# 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**

Job 7: 1-4, 6-7;

Ps 146;

1 Corinthians  
9:16-19, 22-23;

Mark 1:29-39

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## Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Today's Gospel completes a picture of Jesus' ministry: preaching, curing the sick, driving out demons, and then moving on to continue this work in another place. Mark's Gospel tells us that Jesus did this throughout Galilee. We are learning more about the ministry of Jesus. Jesus cured Simon's mother-in-law, and she immediately began to serve Jesus and his disciples. Jesus also cured many others who were brought to him, healing their illnesses and driving out demons. As we will see throughout Mark's Gospel, Jesus did not permit the demons to speak because they knew his identity and would have revealed it to those who were present. Jesus' compassion and healing of the sick is a sign of the Kingdom of God. The Church continues to extend Christ's healing presence to others in its ministry to the sick. In the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, the Church prays for spiritual and physical healing, forgiveness of sins, and comfort for those who are suffering from illness. In today's Gospel we also notice the importance of prayer in Jesus' daily life. Jesus rose early in the morning, removed himself from the crowds, and went to a deserted place to pray. When the disciples found him, he told them that it was time to move on. We believe that in his prayers Jesus found guidance and direction from God. We also bring our decision-making to God in prayer, asking for his guidance and direction in our lives. Above all, we see Jesus in this Gospel that He is fully human by being with one with people in their needs and helping them and at the same time He is fully divine by being one with the Father in Prayer.

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**PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS**

Annette Keates, Arthur Lynch, Anis Kazmie, Brendan Grogan, Bernie Mortlock, Catherine Freeman, Claire Harbutt, Carmen Mulholland, Christine Enid and John King, Joyce Finch, David Curtis, David Quigley, Christine McGivern, Mary Arulandhu, 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 **Margaret Curtis, Josephine Patricia Mary Davies, Mrs Joyce (Joy) Winifred Hitchens** and all those who have died recently. We also remember Harry Stanley, Robert Reid, Elsie Wheatley, Wilma Lloyd, Michael Leahy, Mary Emery, Patrick Reilly, Bernadette Sampays, Victor Wadley, Edward Donohoe, Robert Hourihane, Hannah Leahy, David Waldron, Johanna Phillips, Linda Bradley, and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

**The Requiem Mass for Josephine Patricia Mary Davies is on Friday 16th February here in Holy Name Church at 12:00pm, followed by Cremation at Perry Barr Crematorium at 1:30pm.**

**Reception into Church on Thursday, 15th February at 4:30pm.**

**Funeral Service for Mrs Joyce (Joy) Winifred Hitchens is on Thursday 22nd February 2024 here at Holy Name Church at 11:00am followed by Burial at Witton Cemetery, at 12:00pm.**

**The Requiem Mass for Margaret Curtis is on Friday 1st March 2024 here in Holy Name Church at 11:30am, followed by Cremation at Sandwell Valley Crematorium at 1:00pm.**

<b>This Week Saturday 3rd February – Sunday 11th February (Psalter Week 1)</b>	<b>Holy Mass Intentions</b>	<b>Devotions &amp; Other Events</b>
<b>Saturday 3rd February</b> Feria in Ordinary Time	<b>12:30pm</b> Mary Theresa Radford RIP	<b>12:00pm Confession</b>
<b>Sunday 4th February</b> <b>FIFTH SUNDAY IN OR- DINARY TIME</b> <b>RETIRING COLLECTION FOR THE CHURCH FLOWERS</b>	<b>8:30am</b> Denise Watson RIP <b>10:30am</b> Ints of Anne Illsley	<b>Coffee &amp; Tea in the Parish Centre after 10:30am Mass</b> <b>By Holy Name Choir</b>
<b>Monday 5th February</b> Memorial of St Agatha, Virgin, Martyr	<b>11:30am</b> Ints of John Beirne Ints of Claire and Gilbert Mullane	<b>11:00am Divine Mercy</b>
<b>Tuesday 6th February</b> Memorial of St Paul Miki, and Companions, Martyrs	<b>9:15am</b> Diane Liddle RIP Holy Souls RIP	
<b>Wednesday 7th February</b> Feria in Ordinary Time	<b>11:30am</b> Mary Theresa Radford RIP Peter Corless RIP	<b>11:00am Rosary</b>
<b>Thursday 8th February</b> Feria in Ordinary Time	<b>9:15am Mass in Church</b> Alan Richards <b>9:00am Mass at St. Marks School</b> Ints of the School	<b>4:30pm Parish Finance Meeting</b>
<b>Friday 9th February</b> Feria in Ordinary Time	<b>11:30am</b> Ints of Sandra Pearson Ints of Cummane Family	<b>11:00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</b>
<b>Saturday 10th February</b> Feria in Ordinary Time	<b>12:30pm</b> Patty Grennan RIP	<b>12:00pm Confession</b>
<b>Sunday 11th February</b> <b>SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> <b>RETIRING COLLECTION FOR THE CHURCH</b>	<b>8:30am</b> Christine Carroll <b>10:30am</b> Diane Liddle RIP	<b>NO COFFEE MORNING</b>

Last Week's  
Offertory  
Collection:  
£443.95

Gift Aid Envelopes:  
£151.00

Building Fund :  
£774.56

Standing Order for  
the month of  
November:  
1,730.00

Mass Attendance  
Last Sunday: 264

Thank you for  
supporting your  
Parish.



Next Sunday's  
Mass Readings:  
Leviticus 13:1-2,  
44-46;  
Ps 31;  
1 Corinthians  
10:31-11:  
1; Mark 1:40-45  
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## LENT 2024

In addition to the normal Masses and devotions, there will be additional prayer opportunities during Lent.

There will be **Holy Hour Monday evenings at 7pm**. This consists of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, with time for personal prayer, a short scripture reflection, music and shared prayer. Fr Kuriakose and Fr Jibu will lead this prayer session.

On **Tuesday evening at 7pm we will pray the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary** as is traditional on Tuesdays.

**Friday morning there will be Stations of the Cross at 11.00am and also on Friday there will be the Divine Mercy prayer at 7pm followed by Holy Mass.**

**On Sundays at 2.30 pm there will be Stations of the Cross**, lead by different groups in the Parish as we usually do.

### LENT REFLECTIONS FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST AND READERS

During Lent this year we are offering you an opportunity for reflection on your role at Mass

**There are two sessions for new Ministers to understand their role. These will take place on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> February from 10am – 12 noon, in preparation for making their Commitment on Maundy Thursday.**

**There is a session for established Ministers on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March also from 10am – 12noon.**

**This is to provide an opportunity to reflect on the importance of this ministry and to prepare to renew their Commitment on Maundy Thursday.**

**Similarly, there is a session for all Readers on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 10am – 12noon. This is to provide an opportunity to reflect on the role of Readers in proclaiming the Word of God during Mass.**

All these sessions will be led by either Fr Kuriakose or Fr Jibu. We will contact all those involved with further details shortly.

### WALK WITH ME BOOKLET FOR LENT

The "Walk with Me" booklets for Lent are available in the Church Porch. A small donation is appreciated to defray the cost. Please consider taking a copy for yourself and for your neighbour. Many Thanks.