



THE ARCHDIOCESE
of BIRMINGHAM

FIFTH SUNDAY IN
LENT
16TH MARCH TO
24TH MARCH 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**
Jeremiah
31:31-34;
Ps 50;
Hebrews 5:7-9;
John 12:20-33
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Dear brothers and sisters in Christ

What we believe shapes what we do. The Gospel of John helps us get a proper understanding of life but we can only rightly understand life when we truly get to know God. Our belief in God influences our actions and attitudes. It is not what one says he believes but what he does believe that makes him tick. So many people have rejected not Christianity but a false view of Christianity. Jesus came to show us God and restore our relationship to God. God is holy and therefore He must judge us for our sin but He is gracious and therefore wants to help us. In His wisdom He devises a means to forgive us our sins and restore our relationship with Him.

Jesus in John 12:20-36 shows us how to get the most out of our life. Our life is like a seed. We have a choice with our one life. This picture of the wheat grain dropping to the ground has everything to do with the meaning and purpose of our own lives. We can invest it into the future and into the lives of others. Jesus died for our sins. He died and suffered God's wrath on behalf of His people. When we die, we actually die to our selfish nature. When we live, we live unto God's purpose. It is to make His love manifest on earth. We show forth His good works through our lives. Love is the opposite of selfishness. We would not be able to love unless we died to our own desires and wants. In a sense we lose everything, but in losing it we really do gain it. Giving is the companion fruit of love. Love requires sacrifice.

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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, Henry Miller, 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 **Karen Devereaux, John Patrick Boyle, Adam Ostrowski** and all those who have died recently. We also remember Gabriel Collett, Noel Donaghy, Jeanette Hawkes, Kathleen Aherne, Helena Taylor, Anthon Hurley, Margaret Scattergood, Tom King, Patrick Campbell, Raymond Pearson, Grace Quinn, Francis Tibbits, Annie Woods, Mary Ogdard, John Osborne, Jennifer Carthy, Doris Browne, Ronald Hopkins, Margaret Teboul, Dennis Dolan, Patrick Waldron, Dennis Haskey, and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

The Requiem Mass for Adam Ostrowski is on Tuesday 19th March 2024 here in Holy Name Church at 11:30am followed by Burial at Heath Lane Cemetery at 1:00pm.

Reception into Church at 4:30pm on 18th March here in Church.

The Requiem Mass for Karen Devereaux is on Friday 22nd March 2024 at Our Lady Star of the Sea Ilfracombe Devon. at 10:00am.

The Requiem Mass for John Patrick Boyle, is on Friday 5th April 2024 here in Holy Name Church at 11:00am followed by Cremation at Sandwell Valley Crematorium at 12:30pm.

MEMORIAL MASS FOR KAREN DEVEREAUX

There will be Memorial Mass for Karen Devereaux here in Holy Name Church on Sunday 14 April 2024 at 10:30am.

<p align="center">This Week Saturday 16th March – Sunday 24th March (Psalter Week 1)</p>	<p align="center">Holy Mass Intentions</p>	<p align="center">Devotions & Other Events</p>
<p align="center">Saturday 16th March Lent Feria</p>	<p>12:30pm Bridie Madden RIP</p>	<p>12:00pm Confession</p>
<p align="center">Sunday 17th March FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT RETIRING COLLECTION FOR EASTER FLOWERS</p>	<p>8:30am David Quigley RIP 10:30am St Mark’s Family Mass with Children’s Liturgy Raymond Pearson RIP</p>	<p>Coffee & Tea in the Parish Centre after 10:30am Mass By S.V.P</p> <p>2:30pm Stations of the Cross Led by Office Staff</p>
<p align="center">Monday 18th March Lent Feria</p>	<p>11:30am Colum Conway RIP Joe and Agnes O’Sullivan RIP</p>	<p>11:00am Divine Mercy</p> <p>4:30pm Reception into Church of Adam Ostrowski</p> <p>7:00pm Holy Hour</p>
<p align="center">Tuesday 19th March SOLEMNITY OF ST JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</p>	<p>11:30am Requiem Mass for Adam Ostrowski</p>	
<p align="center">Wednesday 20th March Lent Feria</p>	<p>9:15am Holy Name School Mass in School Ints of Kitty Swain 11:30am Mr. T.T. George RIP</p>	<p>11:00am Rosary</p> <p>7:00pm Lent Penitential Service</p>
<p align="center">Thursday 21st March Lent Feria</p>	<p>9:15am Mass in Church Pam Garewell RIP</p>	<p>9:00am Stations of the Cross at St. Mark’s School. No Mass.</p>
<p align="center">Friday 22nd March Lent Feria</p>	<p>11:30am Aman Solomon RIP 7:15pm Holy Mass Ben Heanue RIP</p>	<p>11:00am Stations of The Cross</p> <p>7:00pm Divine Mercy Prayer</p>
<p align="center">Saturday 23rd March Lent Feria</p>	<p>12:30pm Henryk Lange RIP Jackie Conway RIP</p>	<p>12:00pm Confession</p>
<p align="center">Sunday 24th March PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD RETIRING COLLECTION FOR THE PARISH</p>	<p>8:30am John O’Sullivan 10:30am Paddy Waldron RIP</p>	<p>NO COFFEE MORNING</p>

**Last Week's
Offertory
Collection:
£444.79**

**Gift Aid Envelopes:
£165.70**

**Parish Levies:
£132.59**

**Standing Order for
the month of
January:1,847.50**

**Mass Attendance
Last Sunday: 252**

**Thank you for
supporting your
Parish.**

*The
Season
of
Lent*



**Next Sunday's
Mass Readings:**

Isaiah 50:4-7

Psalms 21

Philippians 2:6-11

Mark 14:1-15:47

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LENT PENITENTIAL SERVICE

We have this service in Holy Week, Wednesday 20th March at 7:00pm. 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.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES

Please take a card with details of all the Services for Holy Week and Easter.

Please note that the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord is transferred to Monday 8th April 2024 from 25th March.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

We need Readers, Ministers and Church Wardens for the Services. Please sign up on the sheets at the back of the church if you can help. Thank you.

PASTORAL LETTER

Copies of Archbishop's Pastoral Letter for the Fifth Sunday of Lent are available from the Church Porch or the Diocesan Website.

CAFOD

We have received a thanks letter from Cafod for our generous donation. It will be displayed on the Church notice board.

PIETY STALL

The Piety Stall is open after Mass at the weekend. Only Mass cards will now be available from the office. All other cards, that is sympathy, birthday, get well etc, will be displayed in the Piety Stall.

ALTAR SERVERS

There will be Altar Servers' Training session on Saturday 30th March 2024 at 10:00am here in Church for the Easter Vigil Holy Mass.

MISSIO RED BOX

If you have a Missio Red Box, please empty it into the brown envelopes as usual then hand it into the office. Thank you all for your continued and valuable support.