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SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 11TH MAY TO 19TH MAY 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 Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Ps 102; 1 John 4:11-16; John 17:11-19 Page 143

#### Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Our celebration of Ascension-tide prompts us in a special way to raise our minds and hearts towards heaven. In today's Gospel passage Jesus prays for his disciples, who very soon will be left without his physical presence. Although he seems to leave them, Jesus insists that they belong to him, and to God and not to this world. Our mission as his followers is in the midst of and in the depths of the world. He wants his love and message inserted in the centre of the world. In following him in mission and love, we are ourselves sanctified. Sacraments and prayer help and complete this daily sanctification, in our growing in closeness to him. Jesus' first prayer was for those who were with him in the Last Supper room. He prays that they always be in communion with God and for their protection from the evil that surrounds them every day.

As a pledge of his abiding presence with us, at the Last Supper Jesus instituted the Holy Eucharist, and promised the gift of the Holy Spirit. This chapter of John's gospel presents Jesus as the giver of divine life. This is what he leaves to us in his flesh and blood, the Eucharist. Jesus is like a good friend here. He wants to keep us with him. Friendship with Jesus is being with him, and being sent in his name. As for the Holy Eucharist, Jesus is brought down to our world, where we are. At the meeting point of the two, there is adoration, thanksgiving, praise, communion, love, and life. By the power of the Holy Spirit we are able truly to love the world, as Jesus does. We are also able by the Spirit to resist the world's temptations in joy, and hope, and in true holiness of life. Christ is our all. Ultimately, all that matters is belonging to Jesus. **Fr.Jibu Mathew** 

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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, Enid King, Joyce Finch, June Pountney, Henry Miller, 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 John King, Christine McGivern, Alice Doris, John Connors and all those who have died recently. We also remember William Richards, Mary Ward, Patricia O'Brien, Ellen Harris, Joe Attridge, Brian Ensor, James McKernan, Irene Povey, Joseph Greaves, Mary Boyle, Hugh Marshall, Charles Lloyd, Thomas Nugent, Arthur Griffiths, Elizabeth Hurley, Derek Green, Peter Lynch, Jerry Duggan, Elizabeth Brennan, Elizabeth Dodd, Francis Murrin, Bob Rawlings and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Christine McGivern's Requiem Mass will take place in the Chapel at Oscott College on 22nd May 2024 at 10:00am, followed by burial at Oscott Cemetery.

## READERS AND EXTRA ORDINARY EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS ROTA

There are new Rotas available for Readers and Ministers from the Church Porch as you leave Mass today. Thank you.

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION FOR HOLY NAME SCHOOL

We pray for the children and their families of Holy Name School as they celebrate their First Holy Communion this Saturday 11th May 2024. May God bless them and their families.

## MARIST WAY MEETING

The Marist Way group will meet on Tuesday 14th May at2:00pm in the Convent. All are welcome.2

This Week Saturday 11th May – Sunday 19th May (Psalter Week 3)	Holy Mass Intentions	Devotions & Other Events
Saturday 11th May Easter Feria	<ul> <li>10:00am (FHC) Mass for Holy Name School Children</li> <li>12:30pm Ints of Steven Dudley</li> </ul>	12:00pm Confession
Sunday 12th May SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER RETIRING COLLECTION FOR CATHOLIC COMMUNICATIONS	<ul><li>8:30am Ints of Steve Watson and Family</li><li>10:30am Christine Smith RIP</li></ul>	Coffee & Tea in the Parish Centre after 10:30am Mass by <b>Martin George,</b> <b>Sajan Thomas and Friends</b>
Monday 13th May Easter Feria	<b>11:30am</b> Ints of Bob Fleming Ints of Kathleen Satchwell	11:00am Divine Mercy
Tuesday 14th May Feast of St. Mathias, Apostle	NO MASS IN CHURCH	
Wednesday 15th May Easter Feria	<b>11:30am</b> Ints of Mary Waldron Alice Doris RIP	11:00am Rosary
Thursday 16th May Easter Feria	<b>9:15am Mass in Church</b> Ints of Sr. Anne McCabe Kathleen McDermott RIP	
Friday 17th May Easter Feria	<b>11:30am</b> Maragret Mary Lacey RIP Kathleen McDermott RIP	11:00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday 18th May Easter Feria	12:30pm Maragret Dunne RIP	12:00pm Confession
Sunday 19th May SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST RETIRING COLLECTION FOR BUILDING FUND	8:30am Joan Rawlings RIP 10:30am Family Mass for St. Marks School with Children's Liturgy Ints of Rudolf and Irene Sampays	Coffee & Tea in the Parish Centre after 10:30am Mass by <b>S.V.P</b>

Last Week's Offertory Collection: £508.91

Gift Aid Envelopes: £165.90

> Parish Levies £171.84

Standing Order for the month of March:1,710.00

Mass Attendance Last Sunday: 250

Thank you for supporting your Parish.



### Next Sunday's Mass Readings:

Either Acts 2:1-11; Ps 103; 1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13; John 20:19-23 Page 23



The Birmingham Male Voice Choir (formally Canoldir and Icknield Choirs) is performing a Concert of music and song here at Holy Name Parish Church on Saturday 22nd June 2024, starting 7:30pm to raise money in support of the Church Building Fund. Tickets, priced at £8.00 including refreshments, are now available from the Parish Office. Please see the poster on the church notice board. We are looking for volunteers to help with refreshments at this event. If you can help please contact the Parish Office. Thank you.

# NEW AUXILIARY BISHOPS TO THE ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM.

The Holy Father Pope Francis has appointed Canon Richard Walker and Msgr. Timothy Menezes as the new Auxiliary bishops of the archdiocese of Birmingham. We convey our greetings, prayers and best wishes to the new auxiliary bishop Elects in their new pastoral assignments.

#### ANNUAL SOLEMN NOVENA

Once again this year the Annual Solemn Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour is at St Francis of Assisi Church in Handsworth from Monday 13th May to Wednesday 22nd May 2024. For more details please see the poster on the Church noticeboard.

#### LETTERS FOR VOLUNTEERS

Fr. Kuriakose has written a letter to all volunteers, thanking them for their support. He is also asking for their assistance in notifying the Parish office of any Health and Safety issues that they are aware off. Please collect your copy from the church wardens at the Mass you attend. Thank you.