



THE ARCHDIOCESE  
of BIRMINGHAM

SIXTH SUNDAY OF  
EASTER  
4TH MAY TO  
12TH MAY 2024

# HOLY NAME OF JESUS

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Today's Mass  
Readings

Acts 10:25-26,  
34-35, 44-48;

Ps 97;

1 John 4:7-10;

John 15:9-17

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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

## Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ

God loves us with the same love that He loves the Son. It is a complete, total, uncompromising love that sacrifices all things to bring us back to Himself. Sin separates us from God. We cannot pray to him, we cannot reach out to him, we cannot benefit from him spiritually or eternally. We are lost, hopeless and spiritually dead, but God has given us the greatest expression of love that one can have. No one has greater love than this: that someone lays down his life for his friends. When Jesus laid down his life for us, it had eternal results. He rescued us from eternal death. There are no limits to Jesus' love. There is nothing temporary in the blessings that God gives through Jesus' life, death, and resurrection.

Jesus is adamant, "Remain in my love", because to do otherwise would be discarding all the blessings that God has given. If we prefer entertainment, work, family, friends or anything else, then we risk losing his love. Jesus said, "You did not choose me, but I chose you." He decided to save us. He sent the Holy Spirit through his Word to create faith in our hearts, which brought us from the death of unbelief to a new life lived for him.

Everything that we are or have through Jesus is because of Jesus. We are branches connected to the vine. Our good works are the evidence of our God-given faith. Good works do not cause Jesus' love but they are an outward expression of His love in us. When Jesus says that we should love like he does, he is speaking about the spirit of that love, the motivation of that love. It means using our time, money and energy to help someone in need. In this way, we show that we remain in Jesus' love. May we always remain in this love that was freely given to us.

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Officers**

Mr. Thomas and

Mrs. Usha Braich

**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, 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 **Christine McGivern, Alice Doris, John Connors** and all those who have died recently. We also remember Carol Corish, Mary Hannon, Mary Nash, Eileen Pitt, Mary Richards, Philomena Roberts, Joyce Tandy, Christina Moody, William Corley, Dorothy Clarke, Bridget Dix, Anne Giles, Madeline Owen, Rev. Alan Fortune, Michael Hart, and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

**John Connors Passed away on Sunday 14th April 2024  
More details regarding funeral to follow.**

**Christine McGivern's Requiem Mass will take place in the  
Chapel at Oscott College on 22nd May 2024, followed by  
burial at Oscott. More details to follow.**

**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 Next Saturday 11th May 2024. May God bless them and their families.

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>This Week</b>  <b>Saturday 4th May –</b>  <b>Sunday 12th May</b>  <b>(Psalter Week 2)</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Holy Mass Intentions</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Devotions &amp; Other Events</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Saturday 4th May</b>  <b>Feast of the English Martyrs</b></p>	<p><b>12:30pm</b> John Lynch RIP</p>	<p><b>12:00pm Confession</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Sunday 5th May</b>  <b>SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>  <b>RETIRING COLLECTION FOR</b>  <b>PARISH LEVIES</b></p>	<p><b>8:30am</b> Ints Margaret Byrne  <b>10:30am</b> Ints of Joy Hitchens  RIP</p>	<p>Coffee &amp; Tea in the  Parish Centre after 10:30am  Mass by <b>Holy Name Choir</b>  <b>12:00pm Baptism</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Monday 6th May</b>  Easter Feria</p>	<p><b>11:30am</b> Linda Concannon  RIP  Sr. Bernice Lee RIP</p>	<p><b>11:00am Divine Mercy</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Tuesday 7th May</b>  Easter Feria</p>	<p><b>9:15am</b> Kathleen McDermott  RIP  Ints of Sandra Pearson</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Wednesday 8th May</b>  Easter Feria</p>	<p><b>11:30am Mass in Church</b>  Adam Ostrowski RIP  <b>7:00pm Ascension Vigil</b>  <b>Mass</b> Denise Donovan RIP</p>	<p><b>11:00am Rosary</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Thursday 9th May</b>  <b>SOLEMNITY OF THE</b>  <b>ASCENSION OF THE LORD</b></p>	<p><b>9:00am Mass at St. Mark's</b>  <b>School</b> Sr. Hilda Kenny RIP    <b>11:30am</b> Joan Davies RIP    <b>2:00pm Mass at HN school</b>  Ints for the School</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Friday 10th May</b>  Easter Feria</p>	<p><b>11:30am</b> Mary Coniry and  Timothy Donovan RIP</p>	<p><b>11:00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Saturday 11th May</b>  Easter Feria</p>	<p><b>10:00am (FHC) Mass for</b>  <b>Holy Name School Children</b>    <b>12:30pm</b> Ints of Steven  Dudley</p>	<p><b>12:00pm Confession</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Sunday 12th May</b>  <b>SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>  <b>RETIRING COLLECTION FOR</b>  <b>CATHOLIC COMMUNICATIONS</b></p>	<p><b>8:30am</b> Ints of Steve Watson  and Family    <b>10:30am</b> Christine Smith RIP</p>	<p>Coffee &amp; Tea in the  Parish Centre after 10:30am  Mass by <b>Martin George,</b>  <b>Sajan Thomas and Friends</b></p>

**Last Week's  
Offertory  
Collection:  
£527.03**

**Gift Aid Envelopes:  
£236.50**

**Parish  
Maintenance  
£164.11**

**Standing Order for  
the month of  
March:1,710.00**

**Mass Attendance  
Last Sunday: 278**

**Thank you for  
supporting your  
Parish.**



**Next Sunday's  
Mass Readings:**

**Acts 1:15-17,  
20-26; Ps 102;  
1 John 4:11-16;  
John 17:11-19**

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## **LEAVING A LASTING GIFT TO YOUR CHURCH**

The Holy Name Parish was developed by the generosity of many generations. Recently we received some Legacies from our Parishioners for which we are very grateful.

As you know our Parish has ongoing needs which regular offerings at Mass cannot meet, for example, emergency repairs and necessary refurbishment. Your gift would also help to maintain the structure of our Parish and to create new initiatives to develop it further. A Legacy gift can be designated for any need you wish to support.

We invite you to consider a legacy to the Church in your Will. A simple Legacy Gift is a good way of continuing your generosity to the Church. Kindly contact the Parish office for more information and help.

## **THE BIRMINGHAM MALE VOICE CHOIR FUNDRAISE FOR BUILDING FUND**

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. Please keep this date free in your Diary. More details to follow.

## **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.