



THE ARCHDIOCESE  
of BIRMINGHAM

## HOLY NAME OF JESUS

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**EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME  
3RD AUGUST TO  
11TH AUGUST**

**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  
Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15;  
Ps 77;  
Ephesians 4:17, 20-24;  
John 6:24-35  
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### **Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,**

The world is full of bread and many live hungry, empty, and searching. It is a sure sign that the bread we have eaten cannot give real life. It is perishable bread that nourishes only a perishable life. That is what Jesus is teaching in today's gospel. Jesus fed 5000 men with five loaves and two fish. They do not marvel at the miracle or give thanks for God's generosity. It sounds like that they are worried that they might have missed the next meal that Jesus started without them and they are too late. They are interested only in their own appetites and Jesus knows it.

The mission of Jesus given him by the Father is to be bread. It is the bread which gives life to the whole world. To eat this bread is to express faith in Jesus, and communion with him. It is total acceptance of all he says, does, gives, and is. Eating this bread will also involve entering directly into the divine presence, having even now a share in the life of heaven, receiving even now divine life, life for all eternity. He is the bread that consecrates those who believe in and eat him. The Holy Eucharist has marvellous effects even in this life. As with the healing miracles of Jesus during his ministry, if we are sick, we can ask Jesus to heal our body with his Body. We can also think of our Holy Communion as a protection against danger, and against physical or diabolical attack. It is impossible for God to do more for us than what he has done in Jesus. It is impossible for any gift to be more valuable than the gift which is Jesus. For he is God's own self gift, and in him we have life, and all that is good.

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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, Maureen Hurley, 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 **Rita Margaret Hall** and all those who have died recently. We also remember Bill Watton, John Ward, Paul Burns, Stephen Garrett, Bridie Kennedy, Helen Murray, Norah Hughes, Thomas Round, Kate Coleman, James Casey, Dawn Rutherford, Lesley Rice, and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

There is currently availability for Mass Intentions. If you would like to book please call at the Parish Office as normal to make your request. Thank you.

**PASTORAL VISITS**

We would like to remind you that the priests are always available to visit the sick on request. They will bring communion and offer the Sacrament of the Sick if desired. Please contact the parish office to make arrangements.

**INTERNATIONAL EVENING**

Following the very successful evening last year, we are planning another event for Friday 20th September 2024. Please make a note in your diary. There will be more details to follow.

**HELP NEEDED**

We need help to launder the Altar linen. If you can help, please contact the Parish Office.

**OSCOTT COLLEGE TOURS RETURN**

St Mary's College, Oscott is happy to announce the return of its popular College Tours. Take a walk through the public halls of the college, visit the chapel, library and newly renovated museum and finish with homemade cake and a cup of tea. Tickets are £15 per person.

<b>This Week</b> <b>Saturday 3rd August –</b> <b>Sunday 4th August</b> <b>(Psalter Week 2)</b>	<b>Holy Mass Intentions</b>	<b>Devotions &amp;</b> <b>Other Events</b>
<b>Saturday 3rd August</b> Feria in Ordinary Time	<b>12:30pm</b> Kathleen McDermott	<b>12:00pm Confession</b>
<b>Sunday 4th August</b> <b>EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN</b> <b>ORDINARY TIME</b> <b>RETIRING COLLECTION FOR</b> <b>BUILDING FUND</b>	<b>8:30am</b> RIP John King  <b>10:30am</b> Ints Bridget Green	<b>Coffee &amp; Tea in the</b> <b>Parish Centre after</b> <b>10:30am Mass by Holy</b> <b>Name Choir</b>
<b>Monday 5th August</b> Feria in Ordinary Time	<b>11:30am</b> Int Julie Burbridge	<b>11:00am Divine Mercy</b>
<b>Tuesday 6th August</b> <b>Feast of the Transfiguration of</b> <b>the Lord</b>	<b>9:15am</b> For the Parish	
<b>Wednesday 7th August</b> Feria in Ordinary Time	<b>11:30am</b> Joe & Gusia McNally	<b>11:00am Rosary</b>
<b>Thursday 8th August</b> <b>Memorial of St. Dominic,</b> <b>Priest</b>	<b>9:15am</b> RIP Sr. Margaret Naughton	
<b>Friday 9th August</b> <b>Feast of St. Teresa Benedicta</b> <b>of the Cross, Virgin, Martyr</b>	<b>11:30am</b> RIP Philomena Finn	<b>11:00am Exposition of</b> <b>the Blessed Sacrament</b>
<b>Saturday 10th August</b> <b>Feast of St. Lawrence,</b> <b>Deacon, Martyr</b>	<b>12:30pm</b> Kathleen McDermott	<b>12:00pm Confession</b>
<b>Sunday 11th August</b> <b>NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN</b> <b>ORDINARY TIME</b> <b>RETIRING COLLECTION FOR</b> <b>CHURCH FLOWERS</b>	<b>8:30am</b> Ints Rhonda Avery <b>10:30am</b> Ints Anne and Sean O'Donnell <b>12:00pm</b> Baptism	<b>Coffee &amp; Tea in the</b> <b>Parish Centre after</b> <b>10:30am Mass by</b> <b>Martin George, Sajan</b> <b>Thomas and Friends</b>

Last Week's  
Offertory  
Collection:  
£592.15

Gift Aid Enve-  
lopes:  
£148.50

Church  
Maintenance:  
£193.78

Standing Order  
for the month of  
June:£1,585.00

Mass Attendance  
Last Sunday: 243

Thank you for  
supporting our



Parish.

Next Sunday's  
Mass Readings:

1Kings 19:4-8;

Ps 33;

Ephesians

4:30-5:2;

John 6:41-51

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## ADOREMUS IN MY PARISH

The Catholic Church in England and Wales - bishops, priests and people from all dioceses - will gather at St Mary's College, Oscott, on Saturday 14 September for a day to renew and deepen our devotion to the Eucharist. Young people (aged 16-30) who are discerning their vocation are invited to [Invocation@Adoremus](mailto:Invocation@Adoremus) at St Mary's College, Oscott on Sunday 15 September, as part of the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage and Congress.

## HARVINGTON PILGRIMAGE 2024

The annual Pilgrimage to Harvington Hall, Shrine of the English Martyrs, will take place on Sunday 1 September. This year the principal celebrant will be The Right Reverend Paul Gunter OSB, Abbot of Douai Abbey. Mass is at 3pm with Confessions from 1.45pm – 2.30pm. Free timed tours of Harvington Hall are available to pilgrims on the day.

## DIOCESAN NOVENA FOR THE CANONISATION OF BLESSED DOMINIC BARBERI

Our Archdiocese invites us to join in prayer from **Sunday 18 August** for nine days to take a moment to pause and to appreciate the work of this holy Passionist in our Archdiocese and to pray for his Canonisation.

## BIRMINGHAM

### CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL CONFERENCE

**Monday 12 - Friday 16 August, Coventry**

Bishop David Oakley, Bishop of the Diocese of Northampton, will be the keynote speaker at this year's conference which has as its theme **Be Ready, with Zeal for the wedding of the lamb has come** (Revelation 19:7). The programme will include times for praise and worship, adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, the daily celebration of Holy Mass, workshops and opportunities for fellowship.

## ORGAN RECITALS AT ST CHAD'S CATHEDRAL EVERY THURSDAY THROUGH SUMMER

There is 40-minute Organ Recitals every Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> August to 5 September at 1:15pm.