



THE ARCHDIOCESE
of BIRMINGHAM

THIRTY –SECOND
SUNDAY IN ORDINARY
TIME
9TH NOVEMBER TO
17TH NOVEMBER
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
1 Kings 17:10-16;
Ps 145;
Hebrews 9:24-28;
Mark 12:38-44
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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Gospel reading of this week presents that Jesus on the one side teaches to be aware of scribes and on the other side gives the example of poor widow. There is a contrast between the scribes' outward displays of religiosity and the widow's genuine devotion. The scribes sought recognition and power, using their positions for personal gain. Jesus denounces scribes because they think that they are more important than everyone else. Jesus' judgment of the scribes is based on their inner motivation. On the other hand, the widow, with her simple act of selflessness, embodied the true spirit of generosity. She embodies the virtue of spiritual poverty. She has no need for the money of the rich, the long robes of the scribes, or marketplace respect. With great humility, she dropped in two small coins. The riches of poverty come not from acquiring but from letting go. In the eyes of the world, her offering appeared insignificant. Yet, Jesus saw beyond the external value and recognized the true essence of her gift. He teaches us that the worth of our offerings is not measured solely by their size, but by the depth of our sacrifice, the sincerity of our intentions and the disposition of our hearts. The widow's contribution represented an act of complete trust and surrender to God, an expression of her faith and love. Let the example of the poor widow impress in our hearts, reminding us that true greatness lies not in what we possess but in what we give. She exemplified a profound understanding that what we offer to God is not determined by the abundance of our possessions but by the abundance of our hearts. Money is morally neutral. Either we can worship our wealth or worship with our wealth. Wealth is most enjoyed when used for eternal significance than earthly satisfaction.

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PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS

Annette Keates, Arthur Lynch, Anis Kazmie, Brendan Grogan, Catherine Freeman, Claire Harbutt, Carmen Mulholland, Enid King, Joyce Finch, June Pountney, Henry Miller, Maureen Hurley, Mary Harding, Mary Arulandhu, Katie Breen, Teresa Goddard, Bridget Green, Haydee Stanton, Linda Lowe, Jackie Tammam, Janet Chamberlain, Theresa Hayward, Rudolf and Irene Sampays, Grace Sharron, Bridget Whitfield and Patricia Lacey.

RECENTLY DEAD AND ANNIVERSARIES

Please remember **Ralph Lloyd, Michael Thomas Broomhall, Mary Patricia Holder, James Barry Moore** and all those who have died recently. We also remember Joseph Hasting, Dana Anderson, Stephen Higgins, Owen McCann, Valentine Byrne, Margaret Donnelly, Estelle Evans, Teresa Vurlan, Fr. Anthony Guilfoyle, Paul Morris, Beatrice Watkins, Nora Huzrsky, Gerard Hayes, Joseph Pham, Daniel Mullen, Celine Greaves, Maragret Quinn, Mary Regan, Bernadette Sullivan, William O'Flaherty and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Requiem Mass for Michael Broomhall is on Monday 11th November at 12:30pm here in Church followed by Cremation at Sandwell Valley Crematorium at 1:45pm.

Requiem Mass for Mary Patricia Holder is on Tuesday 19th November at 10:00am here in Holy Name Church followed by Cremation at Sandwell Valley Crematorium at 11:30am.

PIETY STALL

The Piety Stall will now be open each weekend after Mass for Christmas cards and gifts.

READERS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS ROTA

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

WORLD YOUTH SUNDAY

World Youth Sunday this year is Sunday 24th November. We would like to celebrate this day in our parish. Our Parish youth are requested to attend 10.30 am Mass on that day and do the liturgy. After the Mass, there will be a coffee morning for the youth at our Parish Centre. Please sign up your name in the form placed in our church porch.

<p style="text-align: center;">This Week Saturday 9th November – Sunday 17th November (Psalter Week 4)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Holy Mass Intentions</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Devotions & Other Events</p>
<p>Saturday 9th November Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica</p>	<p>12:30pm John Lynch RIP</p>	<p>12:00pm Confession</p>
<p>Sunday 10th November THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME REMEMBRANCE DAY RETIRING COLLECTION FOR SENIOR CITIZENS</p>	<p>8:30am Ints of Brian Green 10:30am Ints of Andrew Campbell</p>	<p>Coffee & Tea in the Parish Centre after 10:30am Mass by Helena and Gerard Hammond Marie and Rob Deakins</p>
<p>Monday 11th November Memorial of St Martin of Tours, Bishop</p>	<p>12:30pm Requiem Mass for Michael Thomas Broomhall</p>	
<p>Tuesday 12th November Memorial of St Josaphat, Bishop, Martyr</p>	<p>9:15am Patrick Gahan RIP</p>	
<p>Wednesday 13th November Feria in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>9:15am HN School Mass in School Ints of Pat Byrne 11:30am Ints of Theresa Hayward</p>	<p>11:00am Rosary</p>
<p>Thursday 14th November Feria in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>9:00am Mass at St. Mark's School Ints of Mary Holder 9:15am Patrick and Michael Cattigan RIP</p>	
<p>Friday 15th November Feria in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>11:30am Ints of Leo Hughes</p>	<p>11:00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 6:00pm Christmas Fayre Set up in the Parish Centre</p>
<p>Saturday 16th November Feria in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>12:30pm Bernadette Sullivan RIP</p>	<p>12:00pm Confession 1:30pm Christmas Fayre</p>
<p>Sunday 17th November THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME RETIRING COLLECTION FOR PARISH LEVIES</p>	<p>8:30am Adam Jan Ostrowski RIP 10:30am Mary Greaves RIP</p>	<p>NO COFFEE MORNING</p>

Last Week's
Offertory
Collection:
£479.02

Gift Aid Envelopes:
£99.20

Johnson
Association:
£255.59

Standing Order for
the month of
August: £1,680.00

Mass Attendance
Last Sunday: 240

Thank you for
supporting our
Parish.



Next Sunday's
Mass Readings:

Daniel 12:1-3;

Ps 15;

Hebrews

10:11-14, 18;

Mark 13:24-32

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CHRISTMAS FAYRE

The annual Christmas Fayre will take place on next week Saturday 16th November 2024 after 12:30pm Mass, in the Parish Centre. Your donations will be appreciated.

We are still in need of chocolates, toys, bottles, and fancy goods. We also need prizes for the main raffle. These can be left in the Parish Office.

ADVENT JOURNEY

The "Walk with Me" booklets for the Advent Journey are available in the Church Porch. This booklet is to help focus on our relationship with God and to prepare ourselves to welcome Jesus Christ during this Advent Season. Please consider taking a copy home to help with preparation for Christmas. A small donation is appreciated to defray the cost. Many thanks.

SINCERE THANKS

The flowers for this weekend are by Bridget Griffiths in memory of her parents Michael and Christina Foley.

HELP NEEDED

We need help for setting up the Christmas Stalls next week Friday 15th November at 6:00pm in the evening at Parish Centre. Please those who have stalls come along and set up your stalls. On Saturday morning at 10:00am the Parish Centre will be open for volunteers. Those who are baking the cakes please bring them along. We would also like volunteers to help tidy up at the end of the Fayre. Thank you in anticipation.

TAKE ACTION: OPPOSE ASSISTED SUICIDE

The Catholic Bishops' Conference is calling on Catholics in England and Wales to unite in prayer and compassionate action to oppose assisted suicide. A new bill on assisted suicide has been tabled by Labour MP Kim Leadbeater and will be debated in the House of Commons on **Friday 29 November**. This is another attempt to legalise assisted suicide and we need you to contact your MP to voice your opposition. Contact your MP via the 'Right to Life' website or use the QR code.

