



THE ARCHDIOCESE  
of BIRMINGHAM

FOURTH SUNDAY OF  
ADVENT  
21ST DECEMBER TO  
29TH DECEMBER 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

Micha 5:1-4;

Ps 79;

Hebrews 10:5-10;

Luke 1:39-45

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and National and Archdiocesan policies and procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Contact is Fr. Jibu Mathew. He can be contacted at [fr.jibu.mathew@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:fr.jibu.mathew@rcaob.org.uk). Alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding Team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 or [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk)



“The Son of God became Son of man  
so that the sons of man could become sons of God.”

- St. Athanasius of Alexandria

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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, 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 all those who have died recently. We also remember James Haugh, Sarah Hayes, Patricia Mullen, Elizabeth Rees, Jack Biddle, Tony Clarke, Kathleen Golden, Teresa Cole, Edith Mullen, Vera Csusmi, John Yule, Sarah Dyson, Colleen Watson, Dorcas Attridge, Matthew Harrington, Billy Fitzgerald, Monaca Nash, Patricia Mullen, Rene Doano, Finola Moore and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

**PARISH FEAST DAY CELEBRATION**

The Catholic Church celebrates the Feast of the Holy Name of Jesus on 3rd January. It is our Parish Feast Day also. We celebrate our Parish Feast Day on **Sunday 5th January 2025 at 10:30am**. Our **Auxiliary Bishop Timothy Menezes** has consented to celebrate the Feast Day Mass for us. There will be Agape after the Mass.

**THE JUBILEE YEAR 2025**

The 2025 Jubilee Year '**Pilgrims of Hope**' is fast approaching and the 2024 Year of Prayer is about to conclude. The Jubilee Year will run from the opening of the Holy Door in St Peter's Basilica in Rome, on **Tuesday 24 December 2024** to the **Feast of Epiphany 2026**. Archbishop Bernard is set to celebrate Mass for the Solemn Opening of the Year, at St Chad's Cathedral on **Sunday 29 December 2024**. For more details, please go to Archdiocese Website.

**THE DIOCESAN LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 2025**

We are delighted to announce the dates for the next Annual Pilgrimage to Lourdes with the Archdiocese of Birmingham, **Saturday 24 - Friday 30 May 2025**. Archbishop Bernard Longley warmly invites you to join us on this very special pilgrimage, taking place in the Jubilee Year. You can now book via the **Archdiocese of Birmingham Lourdes website**, and find out more about the theme: *"With Mary, Pilgrims of Hope"*.

| <p><b>This Week</b><br/> <b>Saturday 21st December –</b><br/> <b>Sunday 29th December</b><br/> <b>(Psalter Week 4)</b></p>                       | <p><b>Holy Mass Intentions</b></p>  | <p><b>Devotions &amp;</b><br/> <b>Other Events</b></p>                     |
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| <p><b>Saturday 21st December</b><br/>           Advent Feria</p>   | <p><b>12:30pm</b><br/>           RIP Georgette Tammam<br/>           RIP Teague &amp; Doris Roarty</p>  | <p><b>12:00pm Confession</b><br/> <b>1:30pm Senior Citizen's Party</b></p> |
| <p><b>Sunday 22nd December</b><br/> <b>FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b><br/> <b>RETIRING COLLECTION FOR</b><br/> <b>CHRISTMAS FLOWERS</b></p>         | <p><b>8:30am</b> Kitty Freeman<br/><br/> <b>10:30am</b> RIP Michael<br/>           Joseph Freeman</p>   | <p><b>No Coffee Morning</b></p>  |
| <p><b>Monday 23rd December</b><br/>           Advent Feria</p>   | <p><b>11:30pm</b> Ints Annie Pickers<br/>           Gill and Family</p>   | <p><b>11:00am Divine Mercy</b></p>   |
| <p><b>Tuesday 24th December</b><br/><br/> <b>Christmas Eve</b><br/><br/> <b>Christmas Offertory</b><br/> <b>Collection is for the Clergy</b></p> | <p><b>9:15am</b> RIP Tom McCormack<br/> <b>2:00pm</b> Christmas Mass for<br/>           Syro-Malankara Community<br/> <b>7:00pm Christmas Vigil Mass</b><br/>           RIP Evelyn Glynn<br/> <b>9:00pm Christmas Night Mass</b><br/>           RIP Denise Watson</p> | <p><b>8:30pm Carols</b></p>  |
| <p><b>Wednesday 25th December</b><br/> <b>SOLEMNITY OF THE NATIVITY</b><br/> <b>OF THE LORD</b></p>  | <p><b>8:30am Christmas Dawn Mass</b><br/>           Intention for Parishioners<br/> <b>10:30am Christmas Day Mass</b><br/>           Intention for Parishioners</p>   |  |
| <p><b>Thursday 26th December</b><br/>           Feast of St Stephen,<br/>           the first Martyr</p>   | <p><b>10:30am</b><br/>           Ints Srs Bridget and Rose</p>  | <p><b>Parish Altar Servers Day</b></p>                                     |
| <p><b>Friday 27th December</b><br/>           Feast of St John, Apostle,<br/>           Evangelist</p>   | <p><b>No Mass</b></p>   |  |
| <p><b>Saturday 28th December</b><br/>           Feast of the Holy Innocents,<br/>           Martyrs</p>  | <p><b>12:30pm</b> RIP Finola Moore</p>  | <p><b>12:00pm Confession</b></p>   |
| <p><b>Sunday 29th December</b><br/> <b>FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY</b><br/> <b>OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH</b></p>                                    | <p><b>8:30am</b><br/>           Ints Frances Quiwlicic<br/> <b>10:30am</b> Ints Archbishop<br/>           Bernard Longley</p>   | <p><b>No Coffee Morning</b></p>  |

Last Week's  
Offertory  
Collection:  
£464.70

Gift Aid Envelopes:  
£184.50

Christmas Flowers  
£236.17

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

Mass Attendance  
Last Sunday: 231

Thank you for  
supporting our  
Parish.



Next Sunday's  
Mass Readings:

1 Samuel  
1:20-22, 24-28;  
Ps 83;  
1 John  
3:1-2, 21-24;  
Luke 2:41-52

## Christmas Services



**17.12.2024, Tuesday**

7.00 pm: Advent Penitential Service

**24.12.2024, Tuesday : Christmas Eve**

2.00 pm: Holy Mass for Syro-Malankara Community

7.00 pm: Christmas Eve Holy Mass (Family Mass)

8.30 pm: Carols

9.00 pm: Christmas Midnight Holy Mass

**25.12.2024, Wednesday: Christmas Day**

8.30 am: Christmas Holy Mass of the Dawn

10.30 am: Christmas Holy Mass during the day

**26.12.2023, Thursday: St. Stephen's Day, Patron Saint of Altar Servers**

10.30 am: Holy Mass



*We wish everyone  
in our Parish and School communities  
a blessed and peaceful  
Christmas.*

*Best wishes for a joyous Christmas  
filled with love, happiness  
and prosperity!*

*Sincere thanks  
for your prayers, support and help  
during 2024.*

*Wishes and Prayers*

*Fr. Dr. Kuriakose Thadathil*

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*Payal Gordhan*

