



THE ARCHDIOCESE  
of BIRMINGHAM

## HOLY NAME OF JESUS

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**Today's  
Mass Readings**  
**Ecclesiasticus**  
27:4-7;  
**Ps 91;**  
**1 Corinthians**  
15:54-58;  
**Luke 6:39-45**  
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**EIGHTH SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME  
1ST TO 9TH  
MARCH 2025**

**Welcome to this House  
of God:  
Talk to God before Mass  
Listen to God during Mass  
Talk to others after Mass**

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and National and Archdiocesan policies and procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative's Appointment is pending. Alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding Team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 or [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk)

**My dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,**

Today, the eighth Sunday of ordinary time, the church continues to remind us of the virtues and qualities that should characterize our lives as Christians. It reminds us that while physical appearance could be deceptive, what determines who we are is what comes from within us. This includes the quality of our words, the wisdom, and the goodness that we manifest. Christ says: "These people honour me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me" (Mt 15:8.) Sometimes, they also tell us what we want to hear to make us happy for a moment and sad afterward. Jesus also teaches us that the quality of our heart determines the quality of our words and actions. He says, "A good person, out of the store of goodness in his heart produces good, while an evil person, out of a store of evil produces evil; for from the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks." As Christians, if we live according to the good news, our actions and words would be guided by it. Consequently, it will affect others positively. On the contrary, if we fill our hearts with flint, our words and actions would be filled with nothingness. Also, Christ warns us today to be careful in judging others. Instead, we should be humble enough to look inwards before criticizing others. Hence, Paul reminds us: "If you think you are standing strong, be careful not to fall" (1Cor10:12). Finally, today, may our hearts be filled with joy for what God has done for us through Christ. Through Him, we are filled with goodness so that we can praise and thank God with a cheerful and sincere heart. Indeed, it is good to give thanks to the Lord for what he has done for us.

**Fr. Kuriakose Thadathil**

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## ASSISTANT PRIEST

Fr. Jibu Mathew

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Rev. Terry Charles  
(Retired)

## PARISH

## ADMINISTRATOR / SECRETARY

Mrs. Payal Gordhan

## PARISH SCHOOLS

### Holy Name School

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## PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS

Annette Keates, Arthur Lynch, Anis Kazmie, Brendan Grogan, 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, Rudolf and Irene Sampays, Grace Sharron, Bridget Whitfield, Patricia Lacey and Bob Hennessey.

## RECENTLY DEAD AND ANNIVERSARIES

Please remember all those who have died recently, especially **Catherine Freeman, Catherine Mary Shilston, Theresa Hayward**. We also remember Fredcewlow, Mary Holmes, Kevin Hewlett, Kathleen Ahern, Anthony Wilkie, Robert Lowry, Edward Graney, Nora Philomena, Bridget Madden, Mary Byrne, Norman Sargeant, Anna Kennedy, Peter Walker, Andrew Kitson, George Harold, Peter Hannon, Florence McGrath, Mavis Jones, Michael Toyne, Margaret Haugh, Alice Flynn, Joan McCracken and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

**Requiem Mass for Catherine Freeman is on Friday 7th March 2025 at Holy Name of Jesus Church at 11:30 am followed by burial at Oscott Cemetery. Reception into the Church is on 6th March 2025 at 6:00 pm.**

**Requiem Mass for Catherine Mary Shilston is on Monday 31st March 2025 at Holy Name of Jesus Church at 9:30 am.**



## NOTICE OF DEATH

With deep grief and sorrow, we announce the demise of our beloved parishioner **Theresa Hayward**. She served our parish as Catechist, Warden, Eucharistic Minister, Office Volunteer, etc.. She was passionate towards our Parish and supported Priests in their ministries.

## PARISH MASS BOOK

Parish Mass Book Year C - Volume 1 for Sundays and Feast days readings is now available in our Church. One set of six books for the liturgical circle of three years cost **£30.00**. We buy 125 sets of Parish Mass Books for our Parish that cost **£3750.00**. Your donation to defray the cost of these books is much appreciated.

<b>This Week</b> <b>Saturday 1st March –</b> <b>Sunday 9th March</b> <b>(Psalter Week 4)</b>	<b>Holy Mass Intentions</b>	<b>Devotions &amp;</b> <b>Other Events</b>
<b>Saturday 1st March</b> <b>Feast of St David, Bishop,</b> <b>Patron of Wales</b>	<b>12:30pm</b> Ints Margaret and John Beirne	<b>12:00pm Confession</b>
<b>Sunday 2nd March</b> <b>EIGHTH SUNDAY</b> <b>IN ORDINARY TIME</b> <b>RETIRING COLLECTION FOR</b> <b>CATHEDRAL MAINTENACE</b>	<b>8:30am</b> Deceased members of Beirne and Brogan Families <b>10:30am</b> RIP Adam Jan Ostrowski	<b>Coffee &amp; Tea in the</b> <b>Parish Centre after</b> <b>10:30am Mass by SVP</b>
<b>Monday 3rd March</b> Feria in Ordinary Time	<b>11:30am</b> Ints Tommy Flannery and Family	<b>11:00am Divine Mercy</b> <b>6:30pm SVP Meeting</b>
<b>Tuesday 4th March</b> Feria in Ordinary Time	<b>9:15am</b> Ints Rosaleen and Brendan Grogan	
<b>Wednesday 5th March</b> <b>Ash Wednesday</b>	<b>9:15am Holy Name School</b> Ints Margaret and John Beirne <b>10:15am St Mark's School</b> RIP Theresa Hayward <b>11:30am</b> RIP Kitty Freeman <b>7:00pm</b> RIP Margaret Sullivan	<b>11:00am Rosary</b>
<b>Thursday 6th March</b> Thursday after Ash Wednesday	<b>9:00am St Mark's School</b> Ints Tom & Andrew Campbell <b>9:15am</b> RIP Rose Satchwell	<b>6:00pm Reception into</b> <b>the Church:</b> <b>Catherine Freeman</b>
<b>Friday 7th March</b> Friday after Ash Wednesday	<b>11:30am Requiem Mass</b> <b>for Catherine Freeman</b>	
<b>Saturday 8th March</b> Saturday after Ash Wednesday	<b>12:30pm</b> RIP Neil Chapman	<b>12:00pm Confession</b>
<b>Sunday 9th March</b> <b>FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT</b> <b>RETIRING COLLECTION FOR</b> <b>CATHEDRAL MAINTENACE</b>	<b>8:30am</b> Ints Mary Waldron & Kathleen Satchwell <b>10:30am</b> Ints Margaret & John Beirne	<b>Coffee &amp; Tea in the</b> <b>Parish Centre after</b> <b>10:30am Mass by Hele-</b> <b>na, Marie and Friends</b>

Last Week's  
Offertory  
Collection:  
£505.17

Gift Aid Envelopes:  
£161.06

Mass Book  
Donation:  
£1020.00

Church  
Maintenance:  
£206.52

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

Mass Attendance  
Last Sunday: 268

Thank you for  
supporting our



*Remember man  
that you are  
dust and into  
dust you shall  
return.*

Next Sunday's  
Mass Readings:  
Deuteronomy  
26:4-10;  
Ps 90;  
Romans 10:8-13;  
Luke 4:1-13  
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## PRAYING FOR POPE FRANCIS

As the Holy Father remains in hospital we keep him close in prayer.

*Almighty and Eternal God,  
you are the everlasting health of  
those who believe in you.*

*Hear our prayers for your sick servant Francis  
for whom we implore the aid of your tender mercy,  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.*



## PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The next Parish Council meeting is on Thursday 20th March 2025 at 6.00 pm. All the members are expected to attend the meeting. If our parishioners have any concerns regarding our Parish, they can inform one of the Parish Council Members so that they can present your concern in the meeting.

## ASH WEDNESDAY MASS AND SERVICE

This year Ash Wednesday is on 5th March 2025. Ash Wednesday Mass and Service will be in both Holy Name and St Mark schools. In our parish, this will be at 11:30 am and 7:00 pm in the evening.

## LENT 2025

In addition to the normal Masses and devotions, there will be additional prayer opportunities during lent. There will be **Holy Hour and Rosary on Tuesdays evening at 7 pm**. This consists of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with time for personal prayer, Rosary, a short scripture reflection, music and shared prayer. There will be **Stations of the Cross on Fridays at 11:00 am and on Sundays at 2:00 pm** lead by different groups in our Parish.

## HOLY NAME YOUTH GROUP

Thank you for all the children and volunteers who participated in the Youth Group gathering on 23rd February 2025. Next Youth Group gathering will be on **Sunday 16th March 2025 at 12:00 pm** (after 10:30 am Mass) in our Parish Centre. Our Youth Group Volunteers are delighted to welcome our children. We request parents to encourage your children to participate in the Youth Group. Parents can also join the Coffee Morning. Refreshment will be also provided for the children. Your valuable suggestions are expected.

## JOB OPPORTUNITY

The Archdiocese of Birmingham is currently recruiting for the following four positions:

- **Director of Operations:** deadline for applications *Monday 3 March*
- **IT Manager:** deadline for applications *Monday 10 March*
- **Finance Manager:** deadline for applications *Wednesday 5 March*
- **Gift Aid Officer:** deadline for applications *Wednesday 5 March*