



THE ARCHDIOCESE
of BIRMINGHAM

**THIRD SUNDAY OF
EASTER
3RD MAY TO
11TH MAY
2025**

HOLY NAME OF JESUS

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**Today's
Mass Readings**
Acts
5:27-32,40-41;
Ps 29;
Apocalypse
5:11-14;
John 21:1-19
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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

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

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

It is quite significant that the disciples were fishing on Lake Galilee because the disciples had given up hope completely and gone back to their previous lives and jobs. Lake Galilee was 80 miles from Jerusalem where Jesus had last appeared to them. The disciples had travelled 80 miles home in between appearances. The disciples, in their desolation, had dispersed too. There were only 7 of them, when Jesus appeared this time.

When Jesus appears to his disciples, he is appearing to broken and vulnerable men who had no sense of hope for the future. Disciples desperately in need of a fresh start with God, desperately in need of finding value and worth and a sense of identity, to know that they are loved and that their loves are worth something. Jesus calls them 'children'. He knows how weak and vulnerable they are feeling. He knows how much they need to be met with love. It is an indication of the depth of love and sense of protection that he has over them. The presence of Jesus gives hope to his disciples. The very presence of Christianity should give hope to humanity.

When they follow Jesus' instructions, their nets fill up. In this very act, Jesus is showing them how much he loves them and wants to forgive everything they have done wrong since the crucifixion. Into the mercy of our Risen Lord, our sin dissolves. God's love is greater than our failures. Jesus says to them, 'Bring some of the fish you have just caught', even though Jesus has already got fish on the fire, cooking away. By accepting the disciples' fish, Jesus is saying that they do have value and worth. Whatever little quantity they can offer, it is enough for him. Whatever we offer has a greater value in the sight of Jesus.

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PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS

Annette Keates, Arthur Lynch, Anis Kazmie, Brendan Grogan, Claire Harbutt, Carmen Mulholland, Enid King, 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, Doreen Kings.

RECENTLY DEAD AND ANNIVERSARIES

Please remember all those who have died recently, especially Dyzma Finch, Ednard Reeves, Eamon Connors, John King, Carol Corish, Mary Hannon, Mary Nash, Eileen Pitt, Mary Richards, Philomena Roberts, Joyce Tandy, Christina Moody, William Corley, Dorothy Clarke, Bernard Small, Bridget Dix, Anne Giles, Madeline Owen, Rev. Alan Fortune, Michael Hart, and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Requiem Mass for Mary Bridget Reid (Beesy) is on Friday 9th May 2025 at Holy Name of Jesus Parish at 11:30 am followed by cremation at Sandwell Crematorium. Reception into the Church is on Thursday 8th May 2025 at 4:00 pm.

DATES FOR DIARY

17.05.2025, Saturday	- First Holy Communion, Holy Name School
17,18.05.2025, Sat & Sunday	- Reception and Veneration of the Relics of Ss Andrew, Catherine, Columba
22.05.2025, Thursday	- Confirmation, St. Mark's School
25.05.2025, Sunday	- May Procession
07.06.2025, Saturday	- Multi-Cultural Evening
08.06.2025, Sunday	- Pentecost, Multi-Cultural Mass, St. Mark's School Family Mass
21.06.2025, Saturday	- Birmingham Male Voice Choir Concert
22.06.2025, Sunday	- First Holy Communion, St. Mark's School
26.06.2025, Thursday	- Migrants' Mass, St. Mark's School
08.07.2025, Tuesday	- Summer Fayre
4-10.10.2025, Sat-Friday	- Parish Mission
15.11.2025, Saturday	- Christmas Fayre
06.12.2025, Saturday	- Senior Citizen Party
04.01.2026, Sunday	- Parish Feast Day

This Week Saturday 3rd May – Sunday 11th May (Psalter Week 4)	Holy Mass Intentions	Devotions & Other Events
Saturday 3rd May Feast of Ss Philip and James, Apostles	12:30pm Ints Susan Grantham & Keates Family	12:00pm Confession
Sunday 4th May THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER RETIRING COLLECTION FOR PARISH LEVIES	8:30am RIP John Joseph King 10:30am RIP Kitty Freeman	Coffee and Tea in the Parish Centre after 10:30am Mass by Holy Name Choir 12:00pm Baptism
Monday 5th May Easter Feria	11:30am Gerry and Emer Martin	11:00am Divine Mercy
Tuesday 6th May Easter Feria	9:15am Linda Concanon	
Wednesday 7th May Easter Feria	9:15am Holy Name School Ints Anya 11:30am RIP Brigid Burke	11:00am Rosary
Thursday 8th May Easter Feria	9:00am St Mark's School Mass RIP Mike Brady and Family	4:00pm Reception into the Church for Mary Bridget Reid
Friday 9th May Easter Feria	11:30pm Requiem Mass for Mary Bridget Reid	
Saturday 10th May Easter Feria	12:30pm RIP Hedwig Gringmuth	12:00pm Confession
Sunday 11th May FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER RETIRING COLLECTION FOR CLERGY TRAINING FUND	8:30am RIP Denise Watson 10:30am RIP Mary Reid	Coffee and Tea in the Parish Centre after 10:30am Mass by SVP 12:00pm Baptism

**Last Week's
Offertory
Collection:
£496.39**

**Gift Aid Envelopes:
£137.00**

**Building Fund:
£245.66**

**Konkani Mass:
£212.10**

**Standing Order for
the month of
November:
£1,625.00**

**Mass Attendance
Last Sunday: 243**

**Thank you for
supporting our
Parish.**



**Next Sunday's
Mass Readings:
Acts 13:14, 43-52;
Ps 99;
Apocalypse
7:9, 14-17;
John 10:27-30
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ELECTION OF THE NEW POPE

The College of Cardinals has requested that all Catholics pray for them, so that they may listen the Holy Spirit as they discern whom to choose as the next Pope. The Conclave to elect the new Pope will start inside the Sistine Chapel on 7 May 2025. Booklet containing 'Prayers for the successor of Pope Francis is available in our Church porch.

PARISH COUNCIL AND VOLUNTEERS MEETING

As we need to prepare for the upcoming diary events, we like to have a planning meeting of Parish council members and volunteers on Wednesday 7th May at 6:00 pm. Please make yourself present and share your ideas.

YOUTH GROUP VOLUNTEERS MEETING

Our next Youth Volunteers meeting is scheduled on Friday 9th May at 7:00 pm. Those who like to join the Youth Group Volunteers team, please approach Fr. Jibu Mathew or contact Parish Office.

PARISH MASS BOOK

A special thanks to you all who contributed to the cost of our Parish Mass Book. Totally amount of £2025 is received from your donation. We need £1725 more to defray the cost of Parish Mass Book which totally costs £3750. It is much appreciated, if you could contribute to this cause. Envelope is also available in the Church Porch.

VOCATION AS PERMANENT DEACONS

Men (married or single) who might wish to reflect on the possibility of a vocation as a permanent deacon, or who simply wish to find out a little more, are warmly invited to attend Evening Prayer and Benediction followed by tea and light refreshments at Sacred Heart and Holy Souls church in Acocks Green on Sunday 11th May at 4.30pm. Wives and family members are also very welcome. For further details contact dcn.tim.anthony@rcaob.org.uk or just turn up to reflect and listen.

VACANCY

The Trustees of the Birmingham Diocesan Trust are looking to recruit a skilled, Catholic volunteer with professional experience of safeguarding to join the Board of Trustees and chair the Safeguarding Sub-Committee. We'd welcome discussion with anyone interested in this important role - Further details available in the Diocesan Website or contact our parish office.