



THE ARCHDIOCESE
of BIRMINGHAM

**TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
20TH TO 28TH
SEPTEMBER
2025**

HOLY NAME OF JESUS

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**Today's
Mass Readings**
Amos 8:4-7;
Ps 112;
1 Timothy
2:1-8;
Luke 16:1-13
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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

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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

This Sunday's readings invite us to reflect on how we live as stewards of the many blessings God has placed in our hands. In the first reading, the prophet Amos raises his voice against those who exploit the poor and manipulate the vulnerable for profit. His words remind us that God sees every act of injustice and hears the cry of those who are oppressed. As Christians, we are called to live differently—to act with fairness, compassion, and integrity in our daily dealings.

The responsorial psalm tells us: *"Blessed the one who is gracious and lends to those in need."* True righteousness is not measured by possessions or power, but by generosity, mercy, and concern for the weak. To be blessed is to reflect God's heart in our relationships and choices.

In the second reading, St. Paul urges us to pray for all people, especially those who hold authority. Prayer is not only about our personal needs, but also about lifting up society and its leaders, that peace, justice, and dignity may flourish. Prayer keeps us centered on God, the true source of wisdom and strength.

Finally, in the Gospel, Jesus presents the parable of the dishonest steward. While the steward acted unjustly, his foresight and decisiveness are commended. Jesus challenges us: if people work so shrewdly for worldly gain, should not the children of light act wisely and purposefully for eternal life? We cannot serve both God and wealth. Money, talents, and influence are not ends in themselves, but tools for serving God and neighbor. Let us then use what we have—our time, gifts, and resources—to build God's kingdom, care for those in need, and prepare for eternal joy.

Fr Jibu Mathew



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, Janet Chamberlain, Rudolf and Irene Sampays, Grace Sharron, Bridget Whitfield, Patricia Lacey, Bob Hennessey, and Doreen Kingscott, Lynne Allan.

RECENTLY DEAD AND ANNIVERSARIES

Please remember all those who have died recently, especially Michael Colbert, Roland Baker, Pauline Bate, Dorothy Flaherty, Michael Purcell, Bridget Egan, Matthew Sweney, Brian Kinsella, Kathleen Abbott, Patrick Donaghey Jnr, Margaret Phillips, Jerome Coffey, Bernard McGrail, Marjorie Insley, Bernadette Cronin and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Please remember in your prayers Arthur Lynch who died recently. Arthur was an Altar Server here at Holy Name for many years until on retirement they moved to Bewdley.

Please remember in your prayers Patrick Corish who died recently. He was an active and regular member of Holy Name of Jesus Parish.

Requiem Mass for Adela Louisa Nock is on Wednesday 24th September 2025, at Holy Name of Jesus Parish at 11:00 pm followed by Committal at Heath Lane Cemetery at 12:30 pm.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

We will be holding a Coffee Morning in support of Macmillan Cancer Support on Friday 26th September, from 12 noon to 2.00 pm, after the 11:30 am Mass in the Parish Centre. Donations of raffle prizes, good quality fancy goods (no jumble, please), and cakes on the day would be very much appreciated. Thank you for your support!

YOUR LOCAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEEDS YOU!

Could you be a Foundation Governor or Director?

We are seeking practicing Catholics to help shape the future of Catholic education by supporting and challenging school leaders, and upholding the Archbishop's vision. Opportunities are available across the Archdiocese, and all skills and backgrounds are welcome. Live out your faith through service—your contribution could make a real difference to our schools and pupils.

ASSISTANT PRIEST

Fr. Jibu Mathew

PARISH DEACON

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This Week Saturday 13th September– Sunday 21st September (Psalter Week 1)	Holy Mass Intentions	Devotions & Other Events
Saturday 20th September Memorial of St Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest, Paul Chong Ha- sang, and Companions, Martyrs	12:30pm Ints Larry and Francis	12:00pm Confession 7:00pm Multi-Cultural Evening
Sunday 21st September TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME RETIRING COLLECTION FOR CATHOLIC EVANGELISATION	8:30am RIP Maureen Barham 10:30am RIP Patrick Brennan	Coffee and Tea in the Parish Centre after 10:30am Mass by Marian, Chris and Friends
Monday 22nd September Feria in Ordinary Time	11:30am Ints Baby Rachel George	11:00am Divine Mercy
Tuesday 23th September Memorial of St Pius of Pietrelcina	9:15am Ints Sister Marina	
Wednesday 24th September Feast of Our Lady of Walsingham	11:00am Requiem Mass for Adela Louisa Nock	
Thursday 25th September Feria in Ordinary Time	9:00am St Mark's School RIP Dan O'Neil	
Friday 26th September Feria in Ordinary Time	11:30am Ints Margaret Beirne	11:00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 12:00pm Macmillan Coffee Morning
Saturday 27th September Memorial of St Vincent de Paul, Priest	12:30pm Ints Joe McNally	12:00pm Confession
Sunday 28st September TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME RETIRING COLLECTION FOR FR HUDSON'S SOCIETY	8:30am Ints Sampaio Family 10:30am RIP Elizabeth Dempsey and Caroline Ward	Coffee and Tea in the Parish Centre after 10:30am Mass by Marian, Chris and Friends 12:00pm Baptism

**Last Week's
Offertory
Collection:
£532.77**

**Gift Aid Envelopes:
£134.50**

**Parish Levies:
£154.08**

**Standing Order for
the month of
March: £**

**Mass Attendance
Last Sunday: 250**



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**Thank you for
supporting our
Parish.**



**Next Sunday's
Mass Readings:**

Amos 6:1, 4-7;

Ps 145;

1 Timothy

6:11-16;

Luke 16:1-13

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PARISH MISSION 2025

Our parish will hold a **Mission Week** from **Saturday 4th – Friday 10th October 2025**.

It will be a time of **renewal, reflection, and prayer** for our whole community, led by **Fr. Royston Price and Fr Peter Hill**.

Leaflets (with a special prayer) are available in the porch. Please take for you and for your friends and family and include the prayer in your daily prayers.

Everyone is warmly invited. Bring family and friends!

Details are in the leaflet.

Let us use this blessed time for the **spiritual renewal of ourselves and our parish**.

MEN'S ROSARY IN THE CITY

Saturday 4th October

We are called to be a shining light in the darkness and to be a witness to all nations. Join a growing movement of men who peacefully go into the heart of Birmingham and kneel down in front of a statue of Our Lady to pray for our city, nation, and for men to live out their God given vocation as protector, defender and servant. For more information contact Ben—07885505116.

SUPPORT FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

If you, or someone you care for, is sick or housebound and would like a visit or to receive Holy Communion, please contact the Parish Office. We will be happy to make the necessary arrangements. Everyone is a valued member of our parish community, and this care is available to all.

FEARLESS 7- 9 NOV

Our Annual Fearless Retreat is back! Fearless is the opportunity for youth groups from across the diocese to come together for a weekend of fun, adventure, faith and friendship. With a range of outdoor activities as well as moments of prayer and let's not forget the fireworks, this retreat is not one to miss.

SOLEMN MASS IN LATIN, VESPERS AND BENEDICTION

The Association for Latin Liturgy warmly invites you to a special day at St Mary's College, Oscott, on Saturday 4th October 2025. The programme includes Solemn Mass in Latin, Vespers and Benediction, Lunch and a Talk. This is a ticketed event and advance booking is required by Friday 26th September 2025. More details are available in the Diocesan Website.