



THE ARCHDIOCESE  
of BIRMINGHAM

**SECOND SUNDAY OF  
ADVENT  
6TH DECEMBER  
TO 14TH DECEMBER  
2025**

## HOLY NAME OF JESUS

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**Today's  
Mass Readings  
Isaiah 11:1-10;  
Ps 71;  
Romans 15:4-9;  
Matthew 3:1-12  
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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 is Deborah Ferris. She can be contacted at [sg.holyname.bham@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.holyname.bham@rcaob.org.uk) or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding Team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 or [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk)



### THE HOLY SEASON OF ADVENT

As we await the celebration of the Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ Advent is a time of prayerful contemplation a time to spend time with the Lord. During Advent there will be more time for Eucharistic Adoration. On Thursday evening there will be Eucharistic Adoration at 6:00pm followed by Holy Mass at 7:00pm. Thursday is traditionally the day of the Eucharist given the day of the Last Supper. And then on Fridays there will be Eucharistic Adoration at 11:00am and at 11:30am Divine Mercy. Friday is of course the day of Divine Mercy given Good Friday. Holy Mass will be at 12 noon.

The Parishes that Adore the Lord are the ones that flourish. I ask you to prayerfully consider if you are able to give of your time to be with Jesus at Adoration. God is soon to visit us and we need to prepare for his love.

Advent becomes an opportunity to reawaken within ourselves the true meaning of waiting, returning to the heart of our faith which is the mystery of Christ, the Messiah who was expected for long centuries and was born in poverty, in Bethlehem. In coming among us, he brought us and continues to offer us the gift of his love and his salvation.

With my prayers

*Fr Christopher*

**PARISH PRIEST**

Fr. Christopher Miller

**PARISH DEACON**

Rev. Terry Charles  
(Retired)

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**PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS**

Annette Keates, Brendan Grogan, Claire Harbutt, Carmen Mulholland, Enid King, June Pountney, Henry Miller, Maureen Hurley, Mary Purcell, 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. We also remember especially Aidan Hornett, Michael Mitchell, Kathleen Richards, James Farren, May Kinsella, William Morrison, Francis Roberts, Mary Smith, James Jennings, William Revell, John Leahy, Margaret Flaherty, Teresa Sanders, Ernest Cole, Anne Simkiss, Grenville Elmore, Susanna Sullivan, Helen Campion, Alexander Butler, Marie Finn, and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

**MARIST WAY GROUP MEETING**

This will take place on Tuesday 9th December at 2.00pm led by Sr. Helena. In the prayer room .All are welcome.

**PIETY STALL**

Christmas is on its way! A beautiful selection of Christmas cards and gifts is now available from the Piety Stall after each weekend Mass. Come and browse for something special to share with family and friends.

**MISSIO RED BOX**

If you have a Missio Red Box, please empty it into the brown envelopes available from the church porch then hand it in the Parish office. Thank you all for your continued and valuable support. It is much appreciated.

**EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION ,  
READERS, AND COFEE MORNING ROTA**

Please collect your New Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Readers and Coffee Morning Rota from the Church Porch as you leave Mass today. Thank you.

<b>This Week</b> <b>Saturday 6th December –</b> <b>Sunday 14th December</b> <b>(Psalter Week 2)</b>	<b>Holy Mass Intentions</b>	<b>Devotions &amp; Other Events</b>
<b>Saturday 6th December</b> Advent Feria	<b>12:30pm</b> Mary Hackett R.I.P	<b>12:00pm Sacrament of Reconciliation</b>
<b>Sunday 7th December</b> <b>SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b> <b>RETIRING COLLECTION FOR POOR PARISH FUNDS</b>	<b>8:30am</b> Ernest Cole R.I.P <b>10:30am</b> Teresa Vurlan R.I.P	<b>Coffee and Tea in the Parish Centre after 10:30am Mass by Helena, Marie and Friends</b>
<b>Monday 8th December</b> <b>SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</b>	<b>10:00am</b> Eddie Walsh R.I.P	<b>10:30am Rosary</b>
<b>Tuesday 9th December</b> Advent Feria	<b>10:00am</b> Denise Watson R.I.P	<b>10:30am Rosary</b>
<b>Wednesday 10th December</b> <b>Advent Feria</b> <b>Our Lady of Loreto</b>	<b>7:00pm Pro Populo</b>	<b>Fr.Christopher Induction</b>
<b>Thursday 11th December</b> Advent Feria	<b>9:15am</b> Mass at St. Mark's School Patricia and Eamon Byrne R.I.P <b>7:00pm</b> Private Intention	<b>6:00pm Eucharistic Adoration</b>
<b>Friday 12th December</b> Advent Feria Our Lady of Guadalupe	<b>12 noon</b> Bernadette Sullivan R.I.P	<b>11:00am Eucharistic Adoration</b> <b>11:30am Divine Mercy</b>
<b>Saturday 13th December</b> Memorial St Lucy, Virgin, Martyr	<b>12:30pm</b> Teague and Doris Roarty R.I.P	<b>12:00pm Sacrament of Reconciliation</b>
<b>Sunday 14th December</b> <b>THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b>	<b>8:30am</b> Lesley Mclonghlin <b>10:30am</b> Kitty and Michael Freeman R.I.P	<b>Coffee and Tea in the Parish Centre after 10:30am Mass by Marian, Chris and Friends</b>

Last Week's  
Offertory  
Collection:  
£620.97

Gift Aid Envelopes:  
£135.00  
Senior Citizen  
Party:  
£193.66

Mass Attendance  
Last Sunday 275  
**Scan QR Code  
To Donate**

Thank you for  
supporting our  
Parish.



**Next Sunday's  
Mass Readings:**

Isaiah  
35:1-6, 10;  
Ps 145;  
James 5:7-10;  
Matthew 11:2-11  
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## INDUCTION AS THE PARISH PRIEST

Fr.Christopher's induction will be held on Wednesday 10th December 2025 with Holy Mass at 7:00pm. Its been many years since we had Induction of the Parish Priest. This is a very important moment in the life of the Parish to actually have a Parish Priest of Archdiocese rather than just Parochial Administrator.

**Refreshments will be served after the Mass at the parish centre. You are all very welcome.**

**In preparation for this important parish event we require volunteers to undertake the following tasks:**

**1. Clean and Prepare in the afternoon. Meeting at 2:30pm in the Parish Centre Hall**

**2. Refreshments: please bring a plate of a cold food item for the Buffet Before Mass in the hall**

**If you are able to assist in any other way please contact Payal in the Parish Office Thank you.**

## GIVING TREE

The Giving Tree is now in church. It supports the work of both the SVP in the Parish and with local schools and St Chad's Sanctuary in Birmingham, which helps refugees and asylum seekers. Please take a gift tag, buy your gift, wrap it and return it with its tag as soon as possible. The deadline for the SVP is 14th December and for St Chad's Sanctuary 13th December. Thank you for your continuing generosity.



## 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.