

SOLEMINITY OF ALL SAINTS 1ST TO 9TH NOVEMBER 2025

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
Apocalypse
7:2-4, 9-14;
Ps 23;
1John 3:1-3;

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Matthew 5:1-12

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ALL SAINTS

Everyone, especially in our time when individualism and selfishness seem to prevail, must make our first and fundamental commitment that of growing every day in a greater love for God and for mankind, to transform our lives and in doing so transform our world. Through the intercession of the saints and martyrs we ask God to ignite our hearts to be capable of loving as He loved each of us.

The solemnity of All Saints is a favourable opportunity to lift our gaze from earthly realities, marked by time, to the dimension of God, the dimension of eternity and holiness. The liturgy reminds us that holiness is the original vocation of every baptized person.

For Christ, who with the Father and the Holy Spirit is the Holy one, loved the Church as His bride and gave Himself for her, to sanctify her. For this reason all members of the People of God are called to become saints, according to the words of the Apostle Paul: "This is the will of God, your sanctification."

The Commemoration of All Souls, helps us to remember our loved ones who have left us, and all the souls on their way to the fullness of life, on the horizon of the Heavenly Church, which the solemnity of All Saints holds on high.

With my prayers.

Fr Christopher



PARISH PRIESTFr Christopher Miller

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PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS

Annette Keates, 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 Ronald Webb, John and Winifred Melody, Paul Lemont, Patrick Galvin, Owen and Kate Gavin, James Joseph Regan, Florence Delmas, Bridget Higgins, James Johnston, Joseph Hastings, Roy Phillips, Maureen Forde, Edward Gordon Ibbotson, John Fawcett, Peggy Clarke, James Patrick McCoughlin, Peggy O'Gorman, Louisa Bryant, Barbara O'Nions, Lilian Wadley, Laura Webb, Tom Digman, Sean Lynch, and all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

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.

CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Our Annual Christmas Fayre will take place on Saturday, 15th November 2025, following the 12:30 pm Mass in the Parish Centre. Your generous donations are always greatly appreciated as they help make the Fayre a wonderful parish event for everyone to enjoy.

We are currently in need of:

- Chocolates
- Cakes
- Bottles
- Fancy goods
- Bric-a-brac
- New electrical items

We are also seeking prizes for the main raffle — these can be left in the Parish Office at your convenience.

Please note that we are **unable to accept clothes, books, CDs, or jumble**.

Thank you for your kindness and continued support.

Your contributions truly make a difference!

This Week Saturday 1st November– Sunday 9th November (Psalter Week 1)	Holy Mass Intentions	Devotions & Other Events
Saturday 1st November Feria in Ordinary Time	12:30pm RIP Jackie Conway	12:00pm Sacrament of Reconciliation
Sunday 2nd November SOLEMINITY OF ALL SAINTS RETIRING COLLECTION FOR JOHNSON ASSOCIATION	8:30am RIP Margaret Langford 10:30am RIP Rose Bohan	Coffee and Tea in the Parish Centre after 10:30am Mass by Holy Name Choir 12:00pm Baptism
Monday 3rd November The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed	9:15am Ints Sister Rose Revells 7:00pm For All Souls	After 9:15am Mass Divine Mercy
Tuesday 4th November Memorial of St Charles Borromeo, Bishop	9:15am Ints Andrew Campbell	
Wednesday 5th November Feria in Ordinary Time	11:30am Ints Rite and Michael Patten	11:00am Rosary
Thursday 6th November Feria in Ordinary Time	No Mass	
Friday 7th November Feria in Ordinary Time	11:30am RIP Annie Galvin	11:00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday 8th November Feria in Ordinary Time	12:30pm RIP John Lynch	12:00pm Sacrament of Reconciliation
Sunday 9th November FEAST OF THE DEDICATION THE LATERAN BASILICA	8:30am Ints Sr Bridget 10:30am Ints Louise Leach	Coffee and Tea in the Parish Centre after 10:30am Mass by Hele- na, Marie and Friends 12:00pm Baptism

Last Week's Offertory Collection: £541.93

Gift Aid Envelopes: £124.00

Building Fund: £30.09

Standing Order for the month of March: £

Mass Attendance Last Sunday:272



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Thank you for supporting our Parish.



Next Sunday's Mass Readings:

Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12;

Ps 45;

1Corinthians 3:9-11, 16-17;

John 2:13-22

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WELCOME, REVEREND FR. CHRISTOPHER MILLER

We are overjoyed to welcome Rev. Fr. Christopher Miller as our new Parish Priest here at Holy Name of Jesus, Great Barr!

It is a true blessing to have him join our parish family, and we look forward to getting to know him in the weeks ahead. We thank God for sending us a shepherd to guide, inspire, and walk with us in faith, prayer, and community life.

Let us keep Fr. Christopher in our prayers as he settles into his new home and begins this next chapter of his ministry. May he feel the warmth, love, and support of our community as we journey together in faith.

Welcome, Father Christopher — we are delighted to have you with us and look forward to many moments of faith, friendship, and joy together!

MASS FOR ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

There will be a special Mass for All the Faithful Departed on Monday, 3rd November at 7.00 pm here in our parish.

This is a precious time for us to come together in prayer and remembrance, as we commend our loved ones who have gone before us into the loving mercy of God.

Everyone is warmly invited to attend and to join in offering prayers for all who have died — especially our family members, friends, and parishioners.

GRAVE BLESSINGS

- · Oscott Cemetery: 1 November, 3pm
- · Erdington Abbey: 2 November, 2pm
- · New Hall Cemetery: 2 November, 2pm
- · Witton Cemetery: 9 November, 2 pm

SENIOR CITIZENS' PARTY

We warmly invite all our senior parishioners to join us for the Senior Citizens' Party, now taking place on Saturday, 13th December 2025, in the Parish Centre.

If you have already collected and returned your invitation letter, there's no need to do anything further. If not, please collect a letter from the Church Porch after Mass, complete the reply form, and return it as soon as possible to help us with our arrangements. We look forward to celebrating with you!

HOLY NAME YOUTH GROUP

The Holy Name Youth Group meets on the first and third Sundays of each month at 12:00 p.m. . **Next Gathering is on Sunday, 2nd November.** Everyone is welcome — bring a friend!