

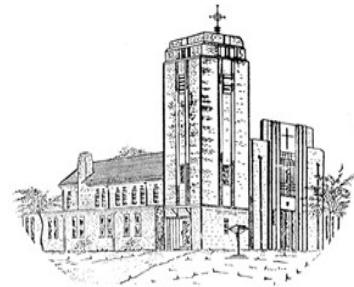


THE ARCHDIOCESE  
of BIRMINGHAM

SECOND SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME  
18TH JANUARY  
TO 25TH JANUARY  
2026

# HOLY NAME OF JESUS

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Today's  
Mass Readings  
Isaiah 49:3, 5-6;  
Ps 39;  
1 Corinthians  
1:1-3; John  
1:29-34  
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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.holynname.bham@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.holynname.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)

Today is Day One of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, January 18-25. The theme for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2026 is taken from Ephesians 4:4, "There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling."

After last week's Feast of the Baptism of the Lord we entered into the liturgical time that we call "Ordinary Time." (*Tempus per Annum*, or "Time of the Year" which has no particular focus, but encompasses the whole life of Christ.) On this **Second Sunday of Ordinary Time**, the Gospel presents to us the scene of the meeting between Jesus and John the Baptist at the Jordan River.

The narrator is the eye witness, John the Evangelist, who, before he was a disciple of Jesus was a disciple of the Baptist, together with his brother James, with Simon and Andrew, all are from Galilee, all are fisherman. So, John the Baptist sees Jesus, who steps forward from the crowd and, inspired from above, sees in Jesus the one sent by God. For this reason he points him out with these words: "Behold the lamb of God, he who takes away the sin of the world!"

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

**RECENTLY DEAD AND ANNIVERSARIES**

Please remember **Rudolf Sampays** and all those who have died recently. We also remember especially Mary Grummett, Tom Pountney, Joseph Flanagan, Joseph Bergin, Anne Coonagh, Catherine Sillwood, Anne Higgins, Jane Johnson, Irene Newman, Kieran Leddy-Byrne, Paul Egan, Maisey Chattell, Keelan O'Sullivan, Patrick Neville, Bridie Gibbons, Catherin Freeman, Lindsey Green, Dorothy Pemberton, Ellen O'Shaunessy, Anthony Chatterton, Joseph Long, Dorothy O'Sullivan, Gordon Whittall, Irene McMillan, Patrick Murphy, all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

**SAINT MARK'S SCHOOL**

Welcome to the children of Saint Mark's and their parents. At the Solemn Mass they are making their commitment in preparation for the Confirmation in March. Please pray for them.

**EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**

Please will all ministers come to the Sacristy after all the Sunday Masses this weekend for a very brief meeting. Thank you for your ministry.

**SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD**

The Third Sunday of Ordinary Time is the 'Sunday of the Word of God' - a day, instituted by Pope Francis on the Feast of Saint Jerome in 2019, devoted to the celebration and study of Sacred Scripture.

Pope Francis invites us never to take God's Word for granted, "but instead to let ourselves be nourished by it, in order to acknowledge and live fully our relationship with God and with our brothers and sisters".

<b>This Week</b> <b>Saturday 18th January – Sunday 25th January (Psalter Week 3)</b>	<b>Holy Mass Intentions</b>	<b>Devotions &amp; Other Events</b>
<b>Saturday 17th January</b> Memorial of St Anthony, Abbot White	<b>12:30pm</b> Ints of Charles Campbell	<b>12:00pm Sacrament of Reconciliation</b>
<b>Sunday 18TH January</b> <b>SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> <b>RETIRING COLLECTION FOR BUILDING FUND</b>	<b>8:30am</b> Joe Coniry R.I.P <b>10:30am</b> Ints of Tom and Maragret Brennan	<b>Coffee and Tea in the Parish Centre after 10:30am Mass by Marian, Chris and Friends</b>
<b>Monday 19th January</b> <b>Feast of St Wulstan, Bishop</b>	<b>10:00am</b> Ints for Helpers (Senior Citizen Party)	<b>10:30am Rosary</b>
<b>Tuesday 20th January</b> Feria in Ordinary Time	<b>10:00am</b> Ints of John and Margaret Beirne	<b>10:30am Rosary</b>
<b>Wednesday 21st January</b> Memorial of St. Agnes, Virgin, Martyr	<b>10:00am</b> Canon Matthias Corrigan RIP <b>7:00pm Confirmation Mass for Holy Name School</b>	<b>10:30am Rosary</b>
<b>Thursday 22nd January</b> Feria in Ordinary Time	<b>9:15am Mass at St. Marks School</b> Ints of John and Margaret Beirne <b>7:00pm</b> Ints of Lila and Leo Hughes	<b>6:00pm Eucharistic Adoration</b>
<b>Friday 23rd January</b> Feria in Ordinary Time	<b>12:00 noon Healing Mass</b> Ints of Helena and Gerard, Ints of Marie and Rob	<b>11:00am Eucharistic Adoration</b> <b>11:30am Divine Mercy</b>
<b>Saturday 24th January</b> Memorial of St Francis de Sales, Bishop, Doctor of the Church	<b>12:30pm</b> Ints of Sandra Pearson	<b>12:00pm Sacrament of Reconciliation</b>
<b>SUNDAY25TH JANUARY</b> <b>THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> <b>RETIRING COLLECTION FOR PARISH LEVIES</b>	<b>8:30am</b> Andrew Steward R.I.P <b>10:30am</b> Catherine and Michael Freeman	<b>Coffee and Tea in the Parish Centre after 10:30am Mass by S.V.P</b>

**Last Week's**

**Offertory**

**Collection:**

**£248.26**

**Gift Aid Envelopes:**

**£108.00**

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**Next Sunday's**

**Mass Readings:**

**Isaiah 9:1b-4;**

**Ps 26;**

**1 Corinthians**

**1:10-13, 17;**

**Matthew 4:12-23**

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## **CONFIRMATION MASS**

We are delighted to welcome Bishop David Evans on Wednesday 21st January 2026 at 7:00pm, here in our church, to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation with the children of Holy Name School.

Please keep all the children and their parents in your prayers thank you.



## **PIETY STALL -CARDS AND GIFTS FOR CONFIRAMTION CHILDREN**

There is a selection of Confirmation cards and gifts and other items are available in the Piety Stall after the Masses.

## **OFFICE HOURS**

The Office will be open for Mass cards, Mass requests and general enquiries on:

Monday 10.00am –2.00pm

Tuesday 10.00am –2.00pm

## **WEDNESDAY OFFICE CLOSED**

Thursday 10.00am –2.00pm

Friday 10.00am –2.00pm

## **POPE LEO'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR JANUARY FOR PRAYER WITH THE WORD OF GOD**

Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

## **WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY:**

This year the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity runs from **Sunday 18 - Sunday 25 January**.

The theme is One Body, One Spirit.