



THE ARCHDIOCESE  
of BIRMINGHAM

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF  
LENT  
22ND MARCH TO  
29TH MARCH  
2026**

## HOLY NAME OF JESUS

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**Today's  
Mass Readings**

**Ezekiel 37:12-14;  
Ps 129;  
Romans 8:8-11;  
John 11:1-45  
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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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### **THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD**

The icon of the Annunciation, more than any other, helps us to see clearly how everything in the Church goes back to that mystery of Mary's acceptance of the divine Word, by which, through the action of the Holy Spirit, the Covenant between God and humanity was perfectly sealed. Everything in the Church, every institution and ministry, including that of Peter and his Successors, is "included" under the Virgin's mantle, within the grace-filled horizon of her "yes" to God's will. This link with Mary naturally evokes a strong affective resonance in all of us, but first of all it has an objective value.

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Fr. Christopher Miller

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**PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS**

Annette Keates, Brendan Grogan, Claire Harbutt, Carmen Mulholland, Francis Carter, Micheal Carter, 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, and Doreen Kingscott, Pat Lawrence and Bridie Donaghy.

**RECENTLY DEAD AND ANNIVERSARIES**

Please remember Robert (Bob) Hennessy, and all those who have died recently. We also remember especially Tony Murray, Bridget Neal, Francis Murphy, Gwen Collins, Joaquin Centurion, Gabriel Collett, Noel Donaghy, Jeanette Hawkes, Kathleen Aherne, Helena Taylor, Anthony Hurley, Margaret Scattergood, Tom King, Patrick Campbell, Raymond Pearson, Grace Quinn, Francis Tibbits, Annie Woods, Mary Odgard, John Osborne, Jennifer Carthy, Doris Browne and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

**THE EASTER TRIDUUM**

**Holy Thursday**

**Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper  
7:00pm**

**Good Friday**

**Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Passion  
3:00pm**

**Holy Saturday**

**Solemn Paschal Vigil Mass of the Resurrection  
8:00pm**

In these three sacred moments the whole mystery of the Mass enfolds before us, the mystery of our eternal Salvation.

This is a time when we can receive Sanctifying Grace from God who in His great Love for us brings us into the very mystery of His Love. The Mass of the Lord's Supper, the Celebration of the Passion and the Pascha Vigil Mass of the Resurrection are the very heart of the faith. The Sacred Triduum is everything for us and so I pray that it will be a time of great blessing for you all.

With my prayers *Fr Christopher*

<p align="center"><b>This Week</b>  <b>Saturday 22nd March –</b>  <b>Sunday 29th March</b>  <b>(Psalter Week 1)</b></p>	<p align="center"><b>Holy Mass Intentions</b></p>	<p align="center"><b>Devotions &amp;</b>  <b>Other Events</b></p>
<p align="center"><b>Saturday 21st March</b>  Lent Feria</p>	<p><b>12:30pm</b> James O'Reilly  R.I.P</p>	<p><b>11:45am –12:15pm</b>  <b>Sacrament of</b>  <b>Reconciliation</b></p>
<p align="center"><b>SUNDAY 22ND MARCH</b>  <b>FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT</b>  <b>RETIRING COLLECTION FOR</b>  <b>PARISH LEVIES</b></p>	<p><b>8:30am</b> Joe McNamara R.I.P  <b>10:30am</b> Paddy Waldron  R.I.P</p>	<p><b>Coffee and Tea in the</b>  <b>Parish Centre after</b>  <b>10:30am Mass by S.V.P</b></p> <p><b>3:00pm Stations of the</b>  <b>Cross led by Extra</b>  <b>Ordinary Ministers of</b>  <b>Holy Communion</b></p>
<p align="center"><b>Monday 23rd March</b>  Lent Feria</p>	<p><b>10:00am</b> Ints of Margaret  Finnucane</p>	<p><b>10:30am Rosary</b></p>
<p align="center"><b>Tuesday 24th March</b>  Lent Feria</p>	<p><b>10:00am</b> Ronald Mcardle  R.I.P</p>	<p><b>10:30am Rosary</b></p> <p><b>7:00pm Lent Penitential</b>  <b>Service</b></p>
<p align="center"><b>Wednesday 25th March</b>  <b>SOLEMNITY OF THE</b>  <b>ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD</b></p>	<p><b>10:00am</b> Margaret Sullivan  R.I.P</p>	<p><b>10:30am Rosary</b></p>
<p align="center"><b>Thursday 26th March</b>  Lent Feria</p>	<p><b>9:15am St. Mark's School</b>  <b>Mass</b> Martin Reviles R.I.P  <b>7:00pm</b> Ints of Andrew and  Christopher Campbell</p>	<p><b>6:00pm Eucharistic</b>  <b>Adoration</b></p>
<p align="center"><b>Friday 27th March</b>  Lent Feria</p>	<p><b>12:00 noon</b> Ints of Mary  Waldron</p>	<p><b>11:00am Stations of the</b>  <b>Cross</b></p> <p><b>11:30am Divine Mercy</b></p>
<p align="center"><b>Saturday 28th March</b>  Lent Feria</p>	<p><b>12:30pm</b> David Hunt R.I.P</p>	<p><b>11:45am –12:15pm</b>  <b>Sacrament of</b>  <b>Reconciliation</b></p>
<p align="center"><b>SUNDAY 29TH MARCH</b>  <b>PALM SUNDAY OF THE</b>  <b>PASSION OF THE LORD</b>  <b>RETIRING COLLECTION FOR</b>  <b>PARISH MAINTENANCE</b></p>	<p><b>8:30am</b> Ints of Elaine Bryson  <b>10:30am</b> Ints of Payal  Gordhan</p>	<p><b>Coffee and Tea in the</b>  <b>Parish Centre after</b>  <b>10:30am Mass by Holy</b>  <b>Name Choir</b></p> <p><b>3:00pm Stations of the</b>  <b>Cross led by S.V.P</b></p>

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Thank you for  
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Next Sunday's  
Mass Readings:

Isaiah 50:4-7;

Ps 21;

Philippians 2:6-11;

Matthew 26:14-27

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## POPE LEO'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR MARCH: For Disarmament and peace

Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

### PASSIONTIDE

Traditionally the final two weeks of Lent in the Roman Rite are used as an immediate preparation for the sorrowful events of the Easter drama. It is a period of time to focus more and more on the Passion and death of Jesus and so accompany him on his way to Calvary.

For several centuries the Fifth Sunday of Lent was known as "Passion Sunday" and marked the beginning of a special sub-season called Passiontide, which extended up until Holy Saturday. During this time the Church's liturgy became more sombre and a sorrowful mood was reflected in the various practices that occurred in the liturgy.

### LENT PENITENTIAL SERVICE

We have this service on Tuesday 24th March at 7:00pm. For those who have not attended this service before, it consists of Scripture readings and reflections to remind us of God's loving mercy to all His children and our own weakness which we bring to Him for healing. After this time of prayer, we make our personal confession to the priest and receive individual absolution. Please come along to receive God's healing love.

### MASS INTENTIONS

Please when you request a Mass intention make sure you print the name of the person. Recently there have been a number of occasions when it is almost impossible to read what has been written. Please take extra care. Thank you.

**MASS OFFERING**

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Day or Date preferred .....


Time preferred.....  
(if available)

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