



THE ARCHDIOCESE
of BIRMINGHAM

**SEVENTEENTH
SUNDAY IN ORDINARY
TIME**

**25TH JULY TO 2ND
AUGUST 2026**

HOLY NAME OF JESUS

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**Today's
Mass Readings**

**1 Kings 3:56a,
7-12; Ps 118;
Romans 8:28-30;
Matthew 13:44-52**

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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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SAINT IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA

A life lived for the greater glory of God

Saint Ignatius of Loyola is one of history's giants. In his lifetime, he was many things. The soldier. The mystic. The pilgrim. The prisoner. The founder. The priest. The saint. He lived his life by a simple but powerful maxim: To live for the greater glory of God. Discover him for yourself.

On arrival in Paris, academic study alone could not satisfy Ignatius. A desire was growing in Ignatius' heart to do this work for God with companions. He gathered about him young men whom he fired with enthusiasm to serve the Lord. He gave the Spiritual Exercises while continuing his studies of philosophy at the University. These included six key companions, namely, Francis Xavier, Alfonso Salmeron, Diego Laynez, Nicholas Bobadilla, Pierre Favre and Simão Rodrigez.

On 15th August 1534, one of their number, Pierre Favre, said Mass in a chapel on the slopes of Montmartre where they all took vows of poverty and chastity and, further, promised that upon completion of their studies, they would make a pilgrimage to the Holy Land. They agreed to meet in Venice to embark from there. On that day, the 'Society of Jesus' was founded, with those companions all as co-founders. Their great mission was now ahead of them.

PARISH PRIEST

Fr. Christopher Miller

PARISH DEACON

Rev. Terry Charles
(Retired)

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THE LAMP BEFORE THE TABERNACLE

This week the Sanctuary Lamp burns for the intentions of:
Kamal, Payal, Simi and Tiya Gordhan.

PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS

Annette Keates, Brendan Grogan, Claire Harbutt, Carmen Mulholland, Francis Carter, Michael Carter, Enid King, June Pountney, Henry Miller, Maureen Hurley, Mary Purcell, Mary Harding, Katie Breen, Teresa Goddard, John and Bridget Green, Haydee Stanton, Linda Lowe, Jane Chamberlain, Irene Sampays, Grace Sharron, Bridget Whitfield, and Doreen Kingscott.

RECENTLY DEAD AND ANNIVERSARIES

Please remember all those who have died recently. We also remember especially, Mildred Graney, Margaret Clewlow, Margaret Fortnam, Dorothy Pritchard, John Pritchard, Michael Shanahan, Margaret O'Reilly, Mary Hopkins, Eileen Ball, Bridget Kelly, Jose Clements, Louise Timmins, Shirley Hart, Kevin Kavanagh, Clarine Webb, Theodore Joe Naughton, Catherine Kelly, Barbara Kudryl, Philip Johnson, Mary King, Patricia Anne Jarvis, Margaret Clines, John Edwards, Patrick Beirne, Hugh McCann, Kevin Sexton, Bill O'Brien, Margaret Heare, James Byrne, Michael Foley, Jessie O'Reilly, Collette Frazer, and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

POPE LEO PRAYER INTENTION FOR JULY

For respect for human life

Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all its stages, recognizing it as a gift from God.

WELCOME

Welcome Mgr. Daniel McHugh and Fr Michael Ho-Huu-Nghia to celebrate the Sunday Masses this weekend, Please pray for them.



This Week Saturday 25th July – Sunday 2nd August (Psalter Week 2)	Holy Mass Intentions	Devotions & Other Events
Saturday 25th July Feast of St James, Apostle	12:30pm Kate Dudley and family Ints	
SUNDAY 26TH JULY SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME RETIRING COLLECTION FOR MARY MEAL'S	8:30am Christopher Heary R.I.P 10:30am Peggy Neville	Coffee and Tea in the Parish Centre after 10:30am Mass by Marian, Chris and Friends
Monday 27th July Feria in Ordinary Time	NO MASS	
Tuesday 28th July Feria in Ordinary Time	NO MASS	
Wednesday 29th July Saints Martha, Mary & Lazarus	NO MASS	
Thursday 30th July Feria in Ordinary Time	NO MASS	
Friday 31st July Saint Ignatius of Loyola	NO MASS	
Saturday 1st August Saint Alphonsus Mary de'Liguori	12:30pm Ints of Tess and John Jordon	11:45am –12:15pm Sacrament of Reconciliation
SUNDAY 2ND AUGUST EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME RETIRING COLLECTION FOR CHURCH MAINTENANCE	8:30am Pro Populo 10:30am Ints of Simi Gordhan	Coffee and Tea in the Parish Centre after 10:30am Mass by Marian, Chris and Friends

Last Week's

Offertory

Collection:

£518.82

Gift Aid Envelopes:

£130.00

Building Fund:

£662.35

Standing order for

May:

£1,475

Mass

Attendance:

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**Thank you for
supporting our
Parish**



Next Sunday's Mass Readings:

Isaiah 55:1-3;

Ps 144; Romans

8:35, 37-39;

Matthew 14:13-21

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THE PASTORAL YEAR

The school summer holidays see a natural break in some of the work of the parish and in some ways marks an end to the Pastoral Year. August can be a very good time of quiet prayer and reflection as the daily round of Masses continue to take place.

Please pray for the teachers and children of our schools as they begin their summer holidays. Pray especially for those have received their First Holy Communion and who have been Confirmed that they are ever more faithful to the Lord Jesus.

I hope everyone has a good and restful summer holiday. With my prayers.

Fr Christopher

THE NEW TABERNACLE

This weekend we give thanks to God as we celebrate the blessing of our new Tabernacle at last Sunday's Solemn Mass. The Blessed Sacrament Lamp will burn this week for the people of our parish, a constant reminder of Christ's real Presence in our midst.

If you would like the lamp to burn before the Blessed Sacrament for your intentions for the week there are envelopes at the back of Church, offering £10.

May all who enter our church find peace in His presence and be strengthened in faith through prayer and adoration, and be a source of grace and blessing for all the people of our parish.

MARY'S MEALS

Mary's Meals provides life-changing school meals to children living in some of the world's poorest communities. The promise of a good meal brings hungry children into the classroom, where they can gain an education and better opportunities for the future. Every single day, Mary's Meals serves a nutritious school meal to over 3 million children, giving them the energy to learn and a hope for the future. It costs just £19.15 to serve a meal to a child for a whole school year.

Mary's Meals is named after Mary, the mother of Jesus, who brought up her own child in poverty. Mary's Meals grew out of the Christian Catholic faith of our founder, and the values and ethos we hold reflect this."