



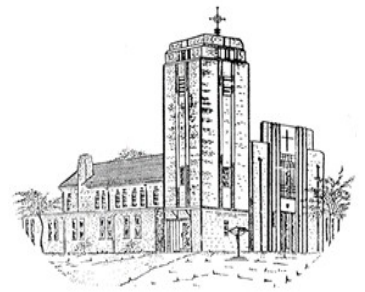
THE ARCHDIOCESE  
of BIRMINGHAM

**TWENTY – NINTH  
SUNDAY IN ORDINARY  
TIME**

**17TH OCTOBER TO  
25TH OCTOBER 2026**

# HOLY NAME OF JESUS

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## Today's Mass Readings

**Isaiah 45:1,4-6**

**Ps 95; 1**

**Thessalonians**

**1:1-5b;**

**Matthew 22:15-21**

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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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## POPE SAINT JOHN PAUL “Be not afraid!”

In 1978, Albino Luciani was elected Pope John Paul I, but died a month later. The shocked Cardinals entered a conclave to elect a pope for the second time in a year. Thousands of people's attention was riveted on St. Peter's when the new pope's name was announced, then people turned to one another in confusion: Who? A non-Italian? For the first time in 455 years?

The new Pope “from a far country” had been prepared for his task through his own suffering and the suffering of his people. He knew what it was to face fear. So, on October 22, 1978, at the inaugural Mass of his pontificate, Pope John Paul II cried out to the whole world, “Do not be afraid! Open wide the doors to Christ!” To Christ in whom alone the human being understands himself, to Christ the Redeemer of Man.

On April 2, 2005, the vigil of the feast of Divine Mercy, John Paul II died. His last words were whispered, “Let me go to my Father's house.” Some 3 million people came to Rome for his funeral, and millions more followed on television. They had heard when this Pope had told them not to be afraid, and they understood that in those last years and months, he had told them this in the most profound way possible. In 2011, Pope Benedict XVI beatified his predecessor, and in 2013, Pope Francis declared him a saint.

### PARISH PRIEST

Fr. Christopher Miller

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## THE LAMP BEFORE THE TABERNACLE

This week the Sanctuary Lamp burns for the intentions of Byers and McGill Families.

### 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, Irene Sampays, Grace Sharron, Bridget Whitfield, and Doreen Kingscott.

### RECENTLY DEAD AND ANNIVERSARIES

Please remember **Joseph (Joe) Madden** and those who have died recently. We also remember especially, Michael O'Leary, Jim Grogan, Noel Baynes, Alana Anderson, Patrick McElroy, Annie Wood, Philomena Cronin, Bernard Tumbelty, Mary Holder, Edward Brennan, James Joseph Abbott, Mary O'Grady Bill Kingston, Alice Flynn, Terrence McHugh and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

**Requiem Mass for Joseph Madden.** Monday 19th October here in Church at 11:00am followed by Burial at Heath Lane at 1:00pm.

### POPE LEO PRAYER INTENTION FOR OCTOBER:

#### For mental health ministry

Let us pray that the mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of person with mental illnesses.

### MISSIO

This Sunday is World Mission Sunday, when the Holy Father invites all Catholics to join in prayer and to contribute to a special collection for Missio, his charity for world mission. Please support Missio in helping missionaries to work alongside communities throughout the world that are poor or in need, regardless of their background or belief.



| <b>This Week</b><br><b>Saturday 17th October –</b><br><b>Sunday 25th October</b><br><b>(Psalter Week 1)</b>                                          | <b>Holy Mass Intentions</b>                                          | <b>Devotions &amp; Other Events</b>                                                                                      |
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| <b>Saturday 17th October</b><br>Saint Ignatius of Antioch                                                                                            | <b>12:30pm</b> Private Intention                                     | <b>11:45am –12:15pm</b><br><b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b>                                                            |
| <b>SUNDAY 18TH OCTOBER</b><br><b>TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN</b><br><b>ORDINARY TIME</b><br><br><b>RETIRING COLLECTION</b><br><b>World Mission Sunday</b> | <b>8:30am</b> Pro Populo<br><b>10:30am</b><br>Baby Sarah Grennan RIP | <b>Coffee and Tea in the</b><br><b>Parish Centre after</b><br><b>10:30am Mass by Helena,</b><br><b>Marie and Friends</b> |
| <b>Monday 19th October</b><br>Feria in Ordinary Time                                                                                                 | <b>11:00am Requiem Mass for</b><br><b>Joe Madden R.I.P</b>           |                                                                                                                          |
| <b>Tuesday 20th October</b><br>Feria in Ordinary Time                                                                                                | <b>NO Mass</b>                                                       |                                                                                                                          |
| <b>Wednesday 21st October</b><br>Feria in Ordinary Time                                                                                              | <b>NO Mass</b>                                                       |                                                                                                                          |
| <b>Thursday 22nd October</b><br>Pope Saint John Paul II                                                                                              | <b>NO Mass</b>                                                       |                                                                                                                          |
| <b>Friday 23rd October</b><br>Feria in Ordinary Time                                                                                                 | <b>NO Mass</b>                                                       |                                                                                                                          |
| <b>Saturday 24th October</b><br>Feria in Ordinary Time                                                                                               | <b>12:30pm</b> Catherine Campbell                                    | <b>11:45am –12:15pm</b><br><b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b>                                                            |
| <b>SUNDAY 25TH OCTOBER</b><br><b>THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN</b><br><b>ORDINARY TIME</b><br><br><b>RETIRING COLLECTION</b><br><b>PARISH LEVIES</b>           | <b>8:30am</b> Pro Populo<br><b>10:30am</b> Jim Stewart R.I.P         | <b>Coffee and Tea in the</b><br><b>Parish Centre after</b><br><b>10:30am Mass by Holy</b><br><b>Name Choir</b>           |

Last Week's  
Offertory

Collection:  
£722.07

Gift Aid Envelopes:  
£138.00

Mass

Attendance: 327

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Parish



**Next Sunday's  
Mass Readings:**

**Exodus 22:21-27;  
Ps 17;**

**1 Thessalonians  
1:5c –10;**

**Matthew 22:34-40  
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**PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR HOLY FATHER, POPE LEO XIV**



With loving concern, we invite all parishioners to join together in prayer for our Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV, as he continue to recover from his recent surgery.

May Almighty God surround him with His healing grace, renew his strength, grant him peace and comfort, and bless him with a full and speedy recovery. May the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church, lovingly watch over him and intercede for him.

Let us unite as one parish family, offering our prayers and support for our beloved Holy Father during this time of recovery.

Our Lady, Health of the Sick, Pray for him. Amen.

### **BIRMINGHAM MALE VOICE CHOIR CHRISTMAS CONCERT**

Saturday 5th December at 7.00pm here in Holy Name Church Great Barr Birmingham Tickets for £10.00 refreshments included. Tickets available from the Parish Office thank you.

### **ANNUAL CHRISTMAS FAYRE PLANNING MEETING**

Our Annual Christmas Fayre Planning meeting will take place on Tuesday 20th October at 6:00pm.

We warmly encourage everyone to come along and support us. This is important meeting where we will discuss plans and ideas for our Christmas Fayre.

Your help, idea and input are very important to us, and together we can make this year's Christmas Fayre a great success!<sup>4</sup>

Please do come along we need your support.