

# THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF OUR LORD & ALL SOULS

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SUNDAY 19TH APRIL 2020

### \* SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER \*

The Octave Day of Easter, also known as Divine Mercy Sunday & Low Sunday

Alleluia, Christ is risen! He is risen indeed, Alleluia!

#### Contemplating the Divine Mercy

The message of the Divine Mercy is simple. It is that God loves us – all of us. And he wants us to recognize that his mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will call upon him with trust, receive his mercy, and let it flow through us to others. In this way all will come to share his joy.

Praying the **Chaplet of Divine Mercy** is a way to enter into the abundant Mercy of God. It only takes a few minutes and can easily be prayed anywhere. Using a rosary follow the guide <u>here</u> for this beautiful prayer. It is customarily prayed at 3pm, the traditional time of Our Lord's death on the cross.

You expired, Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls, and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world.

O Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelop the whole world and empty yourself out upon us.

O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fount of mercy for us, I trust in you!

Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world. Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world. Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless and the treasury of compassion inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase your mercy in us, that in difficult moments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit ourselves to your holy will, which is Love and Mercy itself.

#### Celebrating, living and sharing God's word today



#### First reading

Acts 2: 42-47

The book of The Acts of the Apostles was written to introduce pagan converts to Christianity to the

roots of their new religion. This is a somewhat idyllic description of a brief, early period of its history. More turbulent times are to follow.

#### Second reading

1 Peter 1: 3-9

The original audience of this letter were persecuted Christians. The author, writing from relative safety, wanted to bolster their faith. So he reminds them of their place in a larger history, reminds them of God's providence in that history, and helps them see their present sufferings in a larger context.

#### Gospel

John 20: 19-31

Jesus commissioned his followers to make others into followers, too, having patience with those troubled by doubts.

## **¥** WORSHIP THIS WEEK **¥**



## DURING THE CURRENT PANDEMIC MASSES ARE BEING CELEBRATED WITHOUT A CONGREGATION AND LIVE STREAMED

Sun 19 <sup>th</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER	9.30am MASS	Seamus Croarkin
Mon 20 <sup>th</sup>	Easter feria	9.30am Mass	Stanislaw Jurczak
Tues 21st	Easter feria (St. Anselm, Bishop & Doctor)	9.30am Mass	Padraig Gallagher
Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Easter feria	9.30am Mass	Aloysius McCooey RIP
Thurs 23 <sup>rd</sup>	ST. GEORGE, Martyr, Patron of England	9.30am MASS	Catherine Spelman
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup>	Easter feria	9.30am Mass	Sheila Haynes
Sat 25 <sup>th</sup>	ST. MARK, Evangelist	9.30am Mass	Mohan & Butterly families, deceased
Sunday 26th	3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER	9.30am MASS	Maureen & Anthony White RIP
	Daily Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 12noon-1pm (live streamed)		

KEEPING IN TOUCH If you are willing to be part of a group of parishioners who make regular telephone contact with other parishioners during the lockdown, especially those without internet connection and other social media, please contact Fr Paul at allsoulscov@gmail.com or on 024 7667 4161. Thank you to those who are already looking out for our more elderly and isolated parishioners. Hopefully a more co-ordinated parish system will avoid people being overlooked PARISH WEBSITE We are posting lots of resources on the parish website to support and sustain parishioners during this time, so

please do check the website regularly. It is an invaluable means of communication. Please also pass on what you find to others.

**THANK YOU** so much for all your Easter greetings, cards and offerings. They are very much appreciated.

**PHOTO GALLERY** There are lots of photographs of the inside of church arrayed for Holy Week and decorated for Easter on our website. Click on Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday to view them.

A BEACON OF HOPE Every night a light is being left on in church to shine as a beacon of hope in these dark times. Its comforting glow reminds us that the light of the Risen Christ never leaves us, even in the darkest times, and that the Church is still alive and active in prayer and service, even though our buildings are closed for public worship.

**TOILETRIES FOR HOSPITAL PATIENTS** Thank you for the many donations so far. Toiletries are in short supply in the critical care units of the hospital due to patients not being allowed visitors to take things in for them. Unused brand new shower gel, deodorants (spray), moisturising lotions, shaving foam, shampoo, conditioner, toothpaste and toothbrushes would be most welcome. New combs would be handy too. Please put items in a bag and drop them in the box outside church if you're passing on your daily walk.

**LIVE-STREAMED MASS** The daily Mass is being <u>live streamed</u> from All Souls at 9.30am. We have improved the quality of the stream since the first week of lockdown, so please do join us for Mass. It is, of course, possible to 'attend' Mass online in any part of the world you choose, but I hope we can also gather together for Mass as a parish community in this way.

**DAILY EUCHARISTIC REFLECTION** A <u>daily eucharistic reflection</u> is posted on our website every day as a suggested way of remaining spiritually close to the Lord in the Eucharist.

**DAILY INTERACTIVE EVENING PRAYER** Praying Vespers together via Zoom every day is proving to be a real blessing. Please follow the instructions on our website on how to join us. It is very straight-forward, so please give it a go.

THE LORD'S DAY AT HOME Download The Lord's Day at Home resource here.

**CHILDREN'S RESOURCES** CAFOD have produced downloadable children's liturgy resources which can be found <u>here.</u> Additionally, CAFOD is hosting a virtual children's liturgy of the word at 10am on Sunday as a webinar. You can register for this <u>here.</u>

PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED Please pray for those who have died in recent weeks: Bridgie Piercy, Brian (Benny) Kelly, Aloysius McCooey, Doreen Winstone, Vincenzo Terranova and Barbara Mulhall. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

ONLINE DONATIONS TO THE PARISH We appreciate that some of our parishioners may be struggling financially at this time and we pray they are getting the support they need. However, the diocese has been receiving numerous enquiries from parishioners who would like to continue giving during this period when it is not possible to attend our parishes in person. The diocese has therefore set up a system for parishioners to make online donations to their parish. There is a donate button (top right) on the home page of the diocesan website <a href="www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk">www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk</a>. From there, donations can be made to our parish via credit or debit card.

How to donate online Visit the diocesan webpage - <a href="www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk">www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk</a> / Click on <a href="Donate">Donate</a> / Enter your Contact details / Click next and complete your Payment details / To make a donation to All Souls select Coventry:

Earlsdon / Click on I want to Gift Aid my donation if you are able / Click next and enter your card details / Click on Donate by card.

Giving by Standing Order Perhaps you might also consider setting up a standing order to All Souls, as this remains the most costeffective way for parishioners to donate. Please email allsoulscov@gmail.com to request the parish bank details. Thank you. Fr Paul.