

THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF OUR LORD & ALL SOULS

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SUNDAY 25 OCTOBER 2020

30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

✠ WORSHIP THIS WEEK ✠

PLEASE NOTE: MASSES IN THIS PARISH ARE CURRENTLY LIVESTREAMED. SEE INFORMATION NOTICE IN THE PORCH.

Eucharistic Adoration Monday-Saturday 30 Minutes before Mass.

Sunday 25 th	30th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	10.30am MASS	<i>People of the parish Hazel Hall RIP (Fr Tim)</i>
Monday 26 th	Feria in Ordinary Time	9.30am Mass	<i>Patrick Thornhill RIP</i>
Tuesday 27 th	Feria in Ordinary Time	9.30am Mass	<i>Teresa & Annie Sands RIP</i>
Wednesday 28 th	SS. SIMON & JUDE, Apostles	9.30am MASS	<i>Stephen Keenan RIP</i>
Thursday 29 th	Feria in Ordinary Time	7.30pm Mass	<i>Nellie Prendergast RIP</i>
Friday 30 th	Feria in Ordinary Time	9.30am Mass	<i>Eilish Sexton RIP</i>
Saturday 31 st	Our Lady on Saturday	9.30am Mass & Holy Baptism (Clara Poliszczuk)	<i>Josephine McKernan RIP</i>
Sunday 1 st Nov	THE SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS	10.30am MASS	<i>People of the parish Carmel Ryan RIP (Fr Tim)</i>

Daily Evening Prayer via Zoom at 6pm (email Fr Paul for log-in details)

✠ Sunday 25 Oct 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First reading: Exodus 22:20-26 *If you are harsh with the widow, the orphan, my anger will flare against you.*

Psalm R. I love you, Lord, my strength.

Second reading: 1Thess 1:5-10 *You broke with idolatry and became servants of God; you are now waiting for his Son.*

Gospel: Matthew 22:34-40 *You must love the Lord your God and your neighbour as yourself.*

✠ Monday 26 October Feria in Ordinary Time

First reading: Ephesians 4:32-5:8 *Follow Christ by loving as he loved.*

Psalm R. Try to imitate God, as children of his that he loves.

Gospel: Luke 13:10-17 *This woman, a daughter of Abraham – was it not right to untie her bonds on the sabbath day?*

✠ Tuesday 27 October Feria in Ordinary Time

First reading: Ephesians 5:21-33 *This mystery has many implications for Christ and the Church.*

Psalm R. O blessed are those who fear the Lord!

Gospel: Luke 13:18-21 *The seed grew and became a tree.*

✠ Wednesday 28 October SS. SIMON & JUDE, Apostles

First reading: Ephesians 2:19-22 *You are part of a building that has the apostles for its foundations.*

Psalm R. Their word goes forth through all the earth.

Gospel: Luke 6:12-19 *Jesus picked out twelve of his disciples and called them 'apostles'.*

✠ Thursday 29 October Feria in Ordinary Time

First reading: Ephesians 6:10-20 *Rely on God's armour to hold your ground.*

Psalm R. Blessed be the Lord, my rock.

Gospel: Luke 13:31-35 *It would not be right for a prophet to die outside Jerusalem.*

✠ Friday 30 October Feria in Ordinary Time

First reading: Philippians 1:1-11 *The One who began this good work in you will see that it is finished when the Day of Christ Jesus comes.*

Psalm R. Great are the works of the Lord.

Gospel: Luke 14:1-6 *Which of you here, if his son falls into a well, or his ox, will he not pull him out on a sabbath day?*

✠ Sat 31 October Our Lady on Saturday

First reading: Philippians 1:18-26 *Life to me is Christ, but death would bring me something more.*

Psalm R. My soul is thirsting for God, the God of my life.

Gospel: Luke 14:1,7-11 *Everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the man who humbles himself will be exalted.*



The Precious Blood & All Souls, Earlsdon

Public Masses in a time of COVID-19

Note: Times are subject to change as restrictions are changed.

Sunday	10.30am
Monday	9.30am
Tuesday	9.30am
Wednesday	9.30am
Thursday	7.30pm
Friday	9.30am
Saturday	9.30am
Confessions Saturdays	10.30-11.30am

& at other times by arrangement.

Attendees must...

- + Wear a face covering (please bring)
- + Remain 1 metre + apart
- + Sanitise hands on entering and exiting the church
- + Follow the signs
- + Follow the stewards' directions

During Mass no...

- + Holy water in stoups
- + Hymns books/missalettes
- + Children's liturgy
- + Serving team (just one server for now)
- + Collection bags
- + Offertory procession
- + Physical Sign of Peace
- + Eucharistic ministers
- + Distribution of the Precious Blood

Holy Communion

- + Wait for stewards' directions
- + Single file
- + Maintain social distancing
- + Face coverings to be worn and removed to receive the Host
- + Receive in silence on the hand only
- + Return to your place as directed

Please consider staying at home if...

- + You are clinically vulnerable
- + You are feeling ill
- + You suspect you may be ill or have been exposed to COVID-19
- + You have a sick family member at home

Please note...

- + The obligation to attend Sunday Mass is suspended at this time
- + You are encouraged to come to Mass on any day of the week.
- + Capacity in church is restricted
- + The church is cleaned after each liturgy (Mass, baptisms, funerals etc)
- + Most parish meetings are taking place virtually.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

The Sunday obligation to attend Mass remains **suspended** by the Bishops. This means that for the time being there is **no obligation for people to attend Mass on Sunday**. If you can come to Mass on another day of the week, please do so. The capacity in church is reduced because of social distancing. The ideal, safest scenario is for there to be a good spread of people coming to Mass across the seven days of the week. There is a **daily Mass** at All Souls (times above).

Celebrating, living and sharing God's word today



First reading Ex 22:20-26

In few, if any, ancient societies, did 'aliens' have rights. In few ancient religions did gods care for widows and orphans. The way of God's people was to be different.

Second reading 1 Thess 1:5-10

Saint Paul greets a community who had received the gospel eagerly and set a good example for other churches. They were all expecting God to bring the world to an end very soon.

Gospel Matthew 22:34-40

The scriptures of the Jews contained over 600 laws, of varying detail. It was customary to argue over how to summarize them, and how to weigh their relative importance. Here they are the subject of a contest between Jesus and one of the groups that would later persecute Matthew's community.

NHS TRACK & TRACE

Each time you come to Mass we ask you please to provide your contact details. You can do this in one of two ways:

EITHER Download the **NHS Test and Trace app** to your smartphone and **scan the All Souls QR code** on the posters in the porch (see more information below).

OR Bring a **piece of paper with your name and contact number** and post it in the metal box in the porch (see below).

WELCOME If you are worshipping with us for the first time today, welcome. If today marks your return to Mass since the start of the pandemic, welcome back. It is lovely to have you back with us.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC? If you wish to find out more about the Catholic faith, or would like to become a Catholic, please contact Fr Paul, Deacon Paul or Barbara (see contact details above).

SECOND COLLECTION FOR THE JOHNSON ASSOCIATION at all Masses this week, supporting retired, sick or infirm priests of the diocese.

MISSIO RED BOXES Thank you for your generous response to the Red Box collection. Receipts will be put into the box at the back of Church. Please make cheques payable to 'Missio'. Contact number 76670671.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION The names of the children who will make their First Holy Communion on **Saturday 14 November at 5.30pm** are displayed at the back of church. Please pray for them. Like the Confirmation Mass earlier this month, attendance at the First Communion Mass is unfortunately restricted to the children and 4 members of their household.

GROWING IN FAITH To help support us in our faith during the challenging winter months ahead we're going to provide parishioners with a weekly link to resources from **Sycamore**, a Catholic course aimed at helping people mature in their faith. The main feature is a 30 minute film. The link will be sent via email, the newssheet and the website. Starting soon.

RECENTLY DEPARTED The Funeral Mass of **Joseph Patrick Goyer** will be celebrated on Wednesday 4 November at 11.15am. Current restrictions for funerals apply i.e. 30 attendees. Please pray too for **Derek McDonagh**, recently departed.

SCHOOL CLASS MASSES After half term we will welcome the children from school back to Mass during the week, one class at a time. The children will sit at the front of church in the usual way. Because of their age, they are not required to wear face coverings, and will be able to sit together (in every other pew) as they constitute a 'bubble' within school. They will, however, sanitise their hands and follow the direction of stewards. The dates of school Masses are: **Tues 3 Nov:** Year 1; **Mon 9 Nov:** Year 2; **Wed 18 Nov:** Year 3; **Mon 23 Nov:** Year 4; **Tues 1 Dec:** Year 5; **Wed 9 Dec:** Year 6.

THANKSGIVING MASS FOR MARRIAGE 2020

Sunday 1 November, 12noon, Celebrant Bishop David Evans. Livestream via St Chad's Cathedral website (<https://www.stchadscathedral.org.uk/>). Married couples are encouraged to join the Mass at home which will include the Renewal of Commitment. If you are celebrating a milestone anniversary (1st or every 5th year up to 60 years and every year over 60), please email Lianne Pap (Marriage and Family Life Co-ordinator) lianne.pap@rc-birmingham.org with the following information to be included in the booklet: Your full names; the anniversary being celebrated in 2020. You are also encouraged to email photos of your wedding day and a current one. Please include the parish you were married in as well as the name of your current parish.

ROSARY WHIRLWIND OCTOBER 2020 for Faith, Life & Peace + During October there is a **nightly online Rosary at 8pm** led from a different Marian Shrine, Cathedral or Parish. Go to <https://www.rosaryonthecoast.co.uk/> for more information.

+ **National Rosary relay Rally** from 9am to 9pm on Saturday 31 October – the Eve of All Saints - where the dioceses of the British Isles are invited to take a designated hour for praying the rosary.

FOOD BANK Thank you for donations to the food bank. Please place items in the box in the porch.

NOVEMBER: MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

The Catholic practice of interceding for the dead comes very much to the fore in the month of November.

On **All Souls' Day**, Monday 2 November, a Requiem Mass will be offered for all the Faithful Departed at 9.30am.

We are also in the process of compiling a list of the departed (**Chantry Book**) which will be given a place of honour in church. The loose leaf book will be housed in a display case and the names of the dead displayed on their anniversary of death for others to read, remember, and pray for the repose of their souls. Given the dedication of our church, this seems an especially fitting thing to do. Remembering all of those who have gone before us "marked with the sign of faith" helps us understand and appreciate better our faith in Christ who conquers sin and death and brings new life to all.

We need your help. We're asking parishioners to place the names of any departed family members or parishioners in the basket at the back of church this week and which will be on the altar rail during November. All names placed in the basket will be added to the chantry book. Don't worry if you have a long list, and please don't assume that we already have names or that somebody else will provide them. This is a long-term project and it will be possible for names to be added easily as we go along.

On your piece of paper (there are some slips with the basket at the back of church) please write clearly: the **names of the dead**, their **dates of death** (e.g. 1st January 2020), plus **your name** and a **contact number** (just in case we can't read your writing!).

Let us return to the Eucharist with joy!

Part of a Letter of Cardinal Sarah, Prefect of the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments.

The Christian community has never sought isolation and has never made the Church a city with closed doors. Formed in the value of community life and in the search of the common good, Christians have always sought insertion into society, while being aware of an otherness - to be in the world without belonging to it and without being reduced to it (cf. Letter to Diognetus, 5-6). And even in the pandemic emergency, a great sense of responsibility has emerged. In listening to and collaborating with civil authorities and experts the Bishops of the Church were prompt to make difficult and painful decisions, even to the point of suspending the participation of the faithful in the celebration of the Eucharist for a long period. This Congregation is deeply grateful to the Bishops for their commitment and effort in trying to respond in the best possible way to an unforeseen and complex situation.

As soon as circumstances permit, however, it is necessary and urgent to return to the normality of Christian life, which has the church building as its home and the celebration of the liturgy, especially the Eucharist, as “the summit toward which the activity of the Church is directed, at the same time it is the font from which all her power flows” (*Sacrosanctum Concilium*, 10).

Aware that God never abandons the humanity He has created, and that even the hardest trials can bear fruits of grace, we have accepted our distance from the Lord's altar as a time of Eucharistic fasting, useful for us to rediscover its vital importance, beauty and immeasurable preciousness. As soon as is possible, however, we must return to the Eucharist with a purified heart, with a renewed amazement, with an increased desire to meet the Lord, to be with him, to receive him and to bring him to our brothers and sisters with the witness of a life full of faith, love, and hope.

This time of deprivation gives us the grace to understand the heart of our brothers and sisters, the martyrs of Abitinae (beginning of the 4th century), who answered their judges with serene determination, despite a sure death sentence: “Sine Dominico non possumus.” A very brief expression sums up a great wealth of nuances and meanings that are offered to our meditation today:

--- We *cannot live*, be Christians, fully realizing our humanity and the desires for good and happiness that dwell in our hearts without the Word of the Lord, which in the celebration of the liturgy takes shape and becomes a living word, spoken by God for those who today open their hearts to listen;

--- We cannot live as Christians *without participating in the Sacrifice of the Cross* in which the Lord Jesus gives himself unreservedly to save, by his death, humanity which had died because of sin; the Redeemer associates humanity with himself and leads it back to the Father; in the embrace of the Crucified One all human suffering finds light and comfort;

--- We *cannot be without the banquet of the Eucharist*, the table of the Lord to which we are invited as sons and daughters, brothers and sisters to receive the Risen Christ himself, present in body, blood, soul and divinity in that Bread of heaven which sustains us in the joys and labours of this earthly pilgrimage;

--- We *cannot be without the Christian community*, the family of the Lord: we need to meet our brothers and sisters who share the sonship of God, the fraternity of Christ, the vocation and the search for holiness and the salvation of their souls in the rich diversity of ages, personal histories, charisms and vocations;

--- We *cannot be without the house of the Lord*, which is our home, without the holy places where we were born to faith, where we discovered the provident presence of the Lord and discovered the merciful embrace that lifts up those who have fallen, where we consecrated our vocation to marriage or religious life, where we prayed and gave thanks, rejoiced and wept, where we entrusted to the Father our loved ones who had completed their earthly pilgrimage;

--- *We cannot be without the Lord's Day*, without Sunday which gives light and meaning to the successions of days of work and to family and social responsibilities.

As much as the means of communication perform a valued service to the sick and those who are unable to go to church, and have performed a great service in the broadcast of Holy Mass at a time when there was no possibility of community celebrations, no broadcast to personal participation or can replace it. On the contrary, these broadcasts alone risk distancing us from a personal and intimate encounter with the incarnate God who gave himself to us not in a virtual way, but really, saying: "He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him" (Jn 6:56). This physical contact with the Lord is vital, indispensable, irreplaceable. Once the concrete measures that can be taken to reduce the spread of the virus to a minimum have been identified and adopted, it is necessary that all resume their place in the assembly of brothers and sisters, rediscover the irreplaceable preciousness and beauty of the celebration of the liturgy, and invite and encourage again those brothers and sisters have been discouraged, frightened, absent or uninvolved for too long.

Robert Card. Sarah

Prefect of the Vatican's Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments

NHS COVID-19 TEST AND TRACE APP

On 24th September, the NHS launched its Covid-19 Test and Trace App. This app has been developed to assist the Government with its test and trace policy and uses a smartphone. The app works by using the 'Bluetooth' system, which all smartphones have. It registers any other phones within a certain distance, which also have the app installed. This takes place between the phones themselves and is entirely anonymous.

The app registers a contact if the two people have been within a certain distance (less than 2m) of each other for a certain amount of time (more than 15 minutes), according to what is known about the transmission of Covid-19. No information is sent to the NHS or other bodies. If for any reason a person wishes to delete the app from the phone, all the data is also deleted. Similarly, if the app registers that someone you have met recently has been tested positive for Covid-19, it will tell you what you need to do.

There are six benefits to the app which will help users:

- **Trace:** For contact tracing, the app detects and logs other nearby app users using random unique IDs. If any of those users later test positive for coronavirus (COVID-19), you will receive an exposure alert with advice on what to do. If you are under 18, you are advised to show this alert to a trusted adult.
- **Alert:** When you first register for the app you will be asked for the first half of your postcode. You can check the app every day to see whether where you live has become a high-risk area for coronavirus. If it is, you will also receive a notification to let you know. This will help you make daily decisions to protect yourself and those you love.
- **Check-in:** The app allows you to record when you visit a venue by "checking-in" when you arrive, using the venue's QR code. The app records the time you spend at the venue without recording any personal information. You will receive an alert, if you have recently visited a venue where you have come into contact with coronavirus.
- **Symptoms:** If you feel unwell, you can use the app to check if your symptoms could be related to coronavirus (COVID-19). The app will give you a list of potential symptoms and you can then choose the ones that apply to you. It will then tell you if your symptoms suggest you have coronavirus.
- **Test:** If you have coronavirus symptoms, the app will take you to a website where you can book a test to see if you have coronavirus or not.
- **Isolate:** If you have been advised by the app to self-isolate, the app provides a countdown timer so that you can keep track of how long you need to self-isolate. When you reach the end of your self-isolation period, the app will send you a notification reminder with a link to the latest advice for you. If a person using the app tests positive for Covid-19 at some stage, they are given instructions about how to share the information through the system, so that those who have been in contact with them can be notified via the app.

People who do not have a smartphone will still be covered by the existing manual track and trace services, which will continue as at present (see below).

MANUAL COLLECTION OF CONTACT DETAILS OF THOSE ATTENDING PUBLIC WORSHIP

Government guidance for the safe use of places of worship states that churches should assist NHS Track and Trace by keeping a record of those who come to church. **We request contact details of people coming into church for public worship.**

General principles

- ❖ Only a **name** and **phone number** is needed.
- ❖ If a family come together, only one contact number is needed.
- ❖ Anyone is free to decline to provide details and still attend Mass.
- ❖ Details collected will be **stored securely** for 21 days.
- ❖ The legal basis on which the parish will hold this information is your consent.
- ❖ If NHS Track and Trace contacts the parish, details of those who attended the relevant Mass will be made available to them.
- ❖ After 21 days details collected will be **securely disposed of.**

Method of collecting information

When coming to Mass please bring a small piece of paper with your name and phone number on, which you will be invited to drop into a locked metal container in the porch.

Stewards will be on hand to assist.

Funerals, baptisms, weddings etc

Those attending funerals, baptisms, weddings etc will be asked to do the same.

I thank you for your co-operation with this further step to ensure everyone's safety.

Fr Paul