



# THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF OUR LORD & ALL SOULS



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SUNDAY 11 APRIL 2021

## 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

MY LORD and MY GOD

God of everlasting mercy, who, in the very recurrence of the paschal feast kindle the faith of the people you have made your own, increase, we pray, the grace you have bestowed, that all may grasp and rightly understand in what font they have been washed, by whose Spirit they have been reborn, by whose Blood they have been redeemed. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. Amen



### Divine Mercy Sunday

Humanity must let itself be touched and pervaded by the Spirit given to it by the risen Christ. It is the Spirit who heals the wounds of the heart, pulls down the barriers that separate us from God and divide us from one another, and at the same time, restores the joy of the Father's love and of fraternal charity. It is important then that we accept the whole message that comes to us from the word of God on this Second Sunday of Easter, which from now on throughout the Church will be called "Divine Mercy Sunday". Christ has taught us that 'man not only receives and experiences the mercy of God, but is also called to practise mercy' towards others: "Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy" (Matthew 5:7).

(St Pope John Paul II)

You expired, O 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.

Eternal God, Your Mercy is endless, and Your treasury of compassion is inexhaustible. Look with kindness upon us and increase Your Mercy within us, so that, in difficult moments, we may not despair, nor become despondent, but may, with great confidence, submit ourselves to Your Holy Will, which is Love and Mercy itself. Amen.

### ✠ WORSHIP THIS WEEK ✠

<b>Sunday 11<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER</b> <i>(Divine Mercy Sunday)</i>	<b>10.30am MASS</b>	<i>For the People of the Parish Bridie &amp; John Carolan RIP (Fr Tim)</i>
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Feria	9.30am Mass	<i>Vincent Thornhill RIP</i>
Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Feria	9.30am Mass	<i>Intentions of Afi</i>
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Feria	9.30am Mass	<i>Fr Louis &amp; Souls in purgatory</i>
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Feria	7.30pm Mass	<i>Intentions of Fr Sunday</i>
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Feria	9.30am Mass	<i>Intentions of Clare Oliver</i>
Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Feria	9.30am Mass 10.30-11.30am Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	<i>Joseph West RIP</i>
<b>Sunday 18<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>	<b>10.30am MASS</b>	<i>For the People of the Parish Anne Callan RIP (Fr Tim)</i>

**Daily Evening Prayer (Vespers)** on Zoom at 6pm (email Fr Paul to receive log-in details)

The Blessed Sacrament is exposed for 30 minutes before Mass Monday-Saturday

**THANK YOU** A very big 'thank you' to you all for your extremely generous Easter offerings and gifts which are always very touching to receive. Thank you too to everybody who is continuing to give generously to the parish via the various means available.

**EASTER MESSAGES** You can watch the Easter message of Archbishop Bernard, Archbishop of Birmingham, at <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/Blog/archbishop-bernards-easter-message>, and that of Monsignor Newton, Ordinary of the Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham, at <https://www.ordinariate.org.uk/events/video.php>

**THE RECENTLY DEPARTED** Please pray for **Michael Lynch** (funeral Mass on 20 April), **John Collins** (funeral to be arranged) and **Janina Hopkins** (funeral service on 21 April). We extend our prayers and condolences to all their families. We pray too for the repose of the soul of **HRH The Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh**.

**THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION** On Sunday 25 April at 12 noon many of our year 6 children will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Father Paul has been granted the faculty to confirm them, as last year, because of the pandemic. Please pray for the children and for their parents and sponsors as they make their final preparations. We also pray for those children not at All Souls school who will be confirmed later in this school year.

**WEDDING** Please pray for Susanne Finnegan and Luke Arnold who will be married here on Saturday 24 April, and for all couples who are preparing to be married here later in the year. Government restrictions have led to multiple postponements over the last year, so it is very good that restrictions are beginning to lift (from 12 April 15 people may attend a wedding and from 17 May, 30 people).

**BAPTISMS** Please pray too for all parents who are preparing for the Baptism of their children. The government covid roadmap permits the public celebration of baptism after 17 May, when 30 people will be permitted to attend.

**RECEPTION INTO FULL COMMUNION** Please also hold in your prayers Janet Waters who will be received into the full communion of the Catholic Church at the 7.30pm Mass on Thursday on 29 April. We look forward to welcoming back Janet and Paul's son, Fr John Waters, to be part of this very special occasion.

**HOLY WATER** If you would like holy water, please bring your own bottle filled with water which Fr Paul will be happy to bless.

**MISSIO** Thank you to all Red Box holders who have donated to *Missio* this year. All Souls' parish has raised £1092, a truly remarkable effort during these difficult times. Communities around the world are so grateful for our donations and prayers. They wish to pass on their thanks and to tell us that they pray for us all.

**CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY** The **Chaplet of Divine Mercy** is a form of devotion to the Divine Mercy which can be prayed at any time, but most appropriately at 3pm (the 'Hour of Great Mercy' when Christ died on the Cross). Copies of the chaplet are available in the exit porch this morning. Please help yourself. Although the Divine Mercy devotions are quite new in terms of the history of the Catholic Church, they all proclaim the timeless message of God's merciful love. They also draw us back to the great Sacrament of Mercy, the Holy Eucharist, where the living Lord, who suffered and died on the Cross and whose Heart was pierced with a lance, pours forth his mercy on all humanity, and grants pardon to all who draw near and honour him. As Jesus told St. Faustina (a Polish nun who was entrusted with the mission of Divine Mercy and was canonised in 2000): *My Heart overflows with great mercy for souls, and especially for poor sinners...[I]t is*

*for them that the Blood and Water flowed from My Heart as from a fount overflowing with mercy. For them I dwell in the tabernacle as King of Mercy. (Diary, 367)*

**COVID RESTRICTIONS STILL APPLY** Although covid restrictions are in the process of being lifted cautiously across society, **restrictions in church remain unchanged**. It is very important that we all continue to observe them for the safety of all who use our church and parish room. These include: **sanitising your hands** as you enter and leave the church, **leaving contact details** as you enter, **wearing a face covering** whilst in the building and **maintaining physical distance** from other people inside and outside the building. As well as being government requirements, observing these for the sake of others is also an act of charity on our part. It is worth bearing in mind that some people attending worship have not yet received their first vaccination, let alone a second dose, and that even those who have been vaccinated may still potentially be able to spread the virus. Thank you for your continued co-operation and consideration of others.

**THANK YOU FROM CAFOD** Thank you to all parishioners at Precious Blood & All Souls for your latest donation of £423.03 [Lent appeal]. It means so much to us that you have reached out to our brothers and sisters around the world, when life here at home is quite changed. This Lent we shared the story of Abdella's ten hour walk for water through the mountains in Ethiopia. Your gifts will mean that we can help improve water access for Abdella's community and others around the world.

**DAY OF PRAYER** Tuesday 4 May is for the Church in England Wales a Day of Prayer for Victims and Survivors of Abuse.

**NURSERY PLACES AVAILABLE for September 2021** All Souls' Nursery, located in the heart of Chapelfields, offers a caring, engaging and motivating environment in which your child can be happy, thrive and develop. With a creative curriculum, 'Forest School' and extensive outdoor space, our setting is the ideal place for your child to learn whilst having lots of fun! We can also offer afternoon sessions (30 hour funding available for 3 year olds) with wrap around care available from 7:45am to 5:45pm through All Sorts – our onsite pre-school offering early years care for children from 2 years of age (subject to availability). If you would like further information or to request an application form, please email [linsey.rae@allsoulsschool.co.uk](mailto:linsey.rae@allsoulsschool.co.uk).

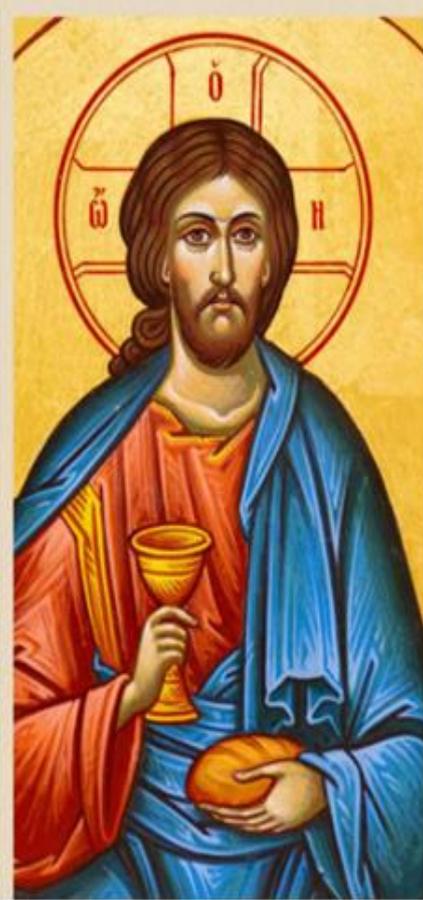
**TALK ON CHURCH FINANCES IN A TIME OF PANDEMIC** by Rev David Palmer, former Treasurer of the Archdiocese of Birmingham on Sunday 18 April, 1.45pm for a 2pm start. Every organisation needs money including the Church. However, in recent years income to parishes has been steadily reducing and costs continue to increase. The pandemic has and will have a significant impact on that situation. So, what better time for us to understand our financial situation and the issues we face. To register for the Zoom Meeting, Email: [actabham@gmail.com](mailto:actabham@gmail.com)

**WEEKLY OFFERTORY ENVELOPES** for 2021/22 are available in the parish room after Mass. Please leave church via the usual exit and enter the parish room through the door directly opposite.

**ONLINE AND CONTACTLESS GIVING** It is possible to donate to our parish and to any advertised Second Collections on our website using the DONATIONS button. You can also donate using the card reading devices in church (at the back of church and near the exit).

**BOLLARDS** To improve the security and safety of the church site there is now a row of retractable bollards at the entrance to the drive off Kingsland Avenue. Most of the time they will not be visible and only lifted when church/nursery is not in use. They are coated in high visibility paint so that pedestrians and drivers see them.

## Prayers for Spiritual Communion



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My Jesus,  
I believe that You  
are present in the  
Most Holy Sacrament.  
I love You above all things,  
and I desire to receive  
You into my soul.  
Since I cannot at this  
moment receive You  
sacramentally, come at least  
spiritually into my heart.  
I embrace You as if You were  
already there and unite  
myself wholly to You.  
Never permit me to be  
separated from You.

Amen.

### Anima Christi

Soul of Christ, sanctify me  
Body of Christ, save me  
Blood of Christ, inebriate me  
Water from the side of Christ, wash me  
Passion of Christ, strengthen me  
O good Jesus, hear me  
Within thy wounds hide me  
Permit me not to be separated from thee  
From the wicked foe defend me  
At the hour of my death call me  
And bid me come to thee  
That with thy saints I may praise thee  
For ever and ever. Amen.

Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your disciples, 'I am with you always'. Be with me today as I offer myself to you. Hear my prayers for others and for myself, and keep us all in your care. Amen.

O God, help me to trust you, help me to

know that you are with me, help me to believe that nothing can separate me from your love revealed in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Prayer of General Thanksgiving

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you most humble and hearty thanks for all your goodness and loving kindness. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And give us, we pray, such a sense of all your mercies that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful, and that we show forth your praise, not only with our lips but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

*Conclude with the following:*

The Lord bless us, and preserve us from all evil, and keep us in eternal life. Amen.