



THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF OUR LORD & ALL SOULS



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SUNDAY 4 JULY 2021

14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

O God, who in the abasement of your Son have raised up a fallen world, fill your faithful with holy joy, for on those you have rescued from slavery to sin you bestow eternal gladness. 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.

✠ WORSHIP THIS WEEK ✠

Sunday cycle of readings: Year B Weekday cycle of readings: Year 1 Divine Office psalter week 2

Sunday 4th	14th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	10.30am MASS	<i>For the People of the Parish Tom Healy (Fr Tim)</i>
		12noon Holy Baptism (Darcy-Anne Hearne, Skyla-Mae Hearne, Bonnie Raynsford)	
Monday 5 th	Feria in Ordinary Time	9.30am Mass (with Year 3)	<i>Brenda Etherson RIP (10th anniversary)</i>
Tuesday 6 th	Feria in Ordinary Time	9.30am Mass	<i>Fr Gerard Mary Toman (3rd anniversary of Ordination)</i>
Wednesday 7 th	Feria in Ordinary Time	9.30am Mass	<i>Brendan & Darren Smith RIP</i>
Thursday 8 th	Feria in Ordinary Time	7.30pm Mass	<i>Intentions of Michael Deegan (90th birthday)</i>
Friday 9 th	Feria in Ordinary Time	9.30am Mass	<i>Mr. K. George Mathew RIP</i>
Saturday 10 th	Our Lady on Saturday	9.30am Mass	<i>Alyra & Roberto Fernandes RIP</i>
		10.30-11.30am Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)	
Sunday 11th	15th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	10.30am MASS	<i>For the People of the Parish John Crowe RIP (Fr Tim)</i>
		12.45pm Holy Baptism (Rafe Taylor)	

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

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament for 30 minutes before Mass Monday-Saturday

THE GOD WHO SPEAKS: CELEBRATING, LIVING & SHARING GOD'S WORD

The Gospel of Mark: Come and follow!

Saint Mark communicates the power of who Jesus is in a very vivid style so that Mark's audience could understand the urgency and power of the call to "come and follow".

Who is Jesus? From his first words, Mark lets his readers into the secret of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, Son of God. Two titles appear beside his name, Jesus: **Christ** (the anointed Messiah) and **Son of God**. John the Baptist claims to be the forerunner of the Messiah, and the Father proclaims to Jesus that he is his Son (Mark 1:1-13). So, we know right from the outset what is going on. In the rest of the Gospel which follows Mark shares with us the disciples' slow discovery of the mystery of Jesus in two stages:

Stage 1 (Mark 1:14-8:26): Jesus proclaims coming of the Kingdom of God, and gives signs of its coming, and miracles. He doesn't say who he is and forbids others to disclose it. The only title which Jesus applies to himself is the mysterious title Son of man.

Stage 2 (Mark 8:27-16:8) begins with Peter's proclamation, "You are the Messiah". We have the impression that Jesus breathes a sigh of relief - his disciples have seen one part of his mystery. At the same time, he is disturbed and concerned: there is a risk that they will get the wrong idea about the Messiah - that he would be a military or political liberator who will establish the kingdom of Israel by force of arms. Jesus forbids Peter to share his discovery; but, at the same time, he leads his disciples to the second stage: knowledge that the *Son of man will suffer and be put to death*.

The Way of the Cross

Most important, Mark's Gospel tells the story of the life and ministry of Jesus Christ. Mark's Gospel places a particular emphasis both on discipleship and on walking the way of the cross in the footsteps of Christ.

A memorable quotation

One of the scribes asked Jesus, "Which commandment is the first of all?" Jesus answered, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.' The second is this: 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself' (Mark 12:29-31).

God speaks to us today Through the Gospel of Mark God speaks of the power of Jesus' call to US to "come and follow!"



Invitations to our Parish Picnic and church Open Day have been sent out to our school families, and to all our baptism and funeral families. Please take your invitation and deliver them to other parishioners not able to be here, and to your family and friends.

On the day please **bring your own food, chairs and rugs**. Some tables and chairs will be available too.

Free **tea, coffee, soft drinks and wine** will be served throughout the afternoon.

There is no formal start or ending to proceedings. Please just **come and go at your leisure** between 12-4pm and enjoy being back together as a parish family.

There's **plenty of room** in the garden for people to feel comfortable. There'll be gazebos for shelter (from sun or rain!)

There are various lists in the entrance porch. If you can offer help with serving refreshments, setting up gazebos, tables and chairs etc, please add your name.

DIOCESAN VISION LEAFLETS

Please make sure you take a copy of the golden leaflet explaining **The Diocesan Vision: Unfolding God's Plan**. If you are able, please also take copies for those who are unable to come to Mass at the moment. More information on the Vision is available on the Diocesan website: www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/vision

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ST. JOSEPH'S CARE HOME COLESHILL Situated in the beautiful surroundings of rural Warwickshire, St Joseph's Care Home offers a range of personalised services including residential care, specialised dementia care and short-term respite care in a friendly welcoming environment. With a dedicated and compassionate staff team who are passionate about making residents safe and happy in an environment that is just how home feels. If you or someone you know might benefit from the care offered and would be interested in more information or to book a virtual tour then please quote SJ1 and contact Care Home Manager Shelley Perryman on 01675 434559, email shelleyperryman@fatherhudsons.org.uk or visit our website at www.stjosephscarehome.co.uk

BAPTISED IN CHRIST Today we welcome into the Church **Darcy-Anne Hearne, Skyla-Mae Hearne and Bonnie Raynsford** who will be baptised this afternoon.

NEWLY-MARRIED We pray for **Colm Jones and Dominika Ungurian** who were joined in Holy Matrimony yesterday. We ask God's blessing on their married life together.

RETIREMENT OF MRS QUINN To mark Mrs Caroline Quinn's retirement as headteacher of our school there will be a Mass at 7pm on Tuesday 13 July. Owing to the extension of covid

restrictions beyond 21 June, attendance will very sadly be by invitation only. However, if you would like to convey a message to Mrs Quinn or you have a particular memory of her time as headteacher that you would like to share, please leave it in the basket in the exit porch or email it to allsoulscoventry@gmail.com

JULY: MONTH OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory for ever and ever. Amen. (Revelation 1:5-6)

Almighty and eternal God, you have appointed your only-begotten Son the Redeemer of the world, and willed that we be reconciled with you by his Blood. Grant, we pray, that we may worthily adore this price of our salvation, and through its power be safeguarded from the evils of the present life, so that we may rejoice in its fruits forever in heaven. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA Next Sunday there is a second collection for the Apostleship of the Sea, the maritime agency of the Catholic Church which provides spiritual and practical welfare for seafarers. Gift Aid envelopes are available in church today. This year's is a particularly important collection because seafarers and fishers were severely impacted by the Covid-19 pandemic. The Apostleship of the Sea supported them through that period but was unable to have a second collection last year because of the closure of our churches. Please give generously.

QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY HONOURS

Our congratulations go to two people well known to All Souls who were recently named in the Queen's birthday honours list:

Miss Maureen Carroll was the Headteacher of All Souls Infant School for many years and has been awarded the BEM (Medallist of the Order of the British Empire). This is in acknowledgement of her work for the Handicapped Children's Pilgrimage Trust. Miss Carroll has worked tirelessly for the Trust organising pilgrimages, recruiting and training the helpers, visiting homes, supporting the children and their families and fundraising.

Mary Creagh was appointed CBE (Commander of the Order of the British Empire) for parliamentary and political services. Mary was the Member of Parliament for Wakefield (2005-19) and held shadow cabinet roles including Shadow Secretary of State for Transport and for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs. She was a former pupil of both All Souls and Bishop Ullathorne before graduating from the University of Oxford and the London School of Economics.

RECENTLY DEPARTED Of your charity please pray for the repose of the souls of **Paul Mulqueen, Thomas Coulthard** (Funeral Service at 11am on 14 July) and **Mary Cunningham** (Funeral Mass at 9.30am on Thursday 15 July)

VOTIVE LAMPS This week the light in the Lady Chapel burns for **Brandon** and in the Sacred Heart chapel for **Charles Francis & Eunice Madeline Shiner**. To arrange for a lamp to burn for a particular intention/in memory of a loved one, add the intention to the list at the back of church and enclose an offering of £3 in one of the white envelopes and place in the offertory.

FOOD BANK DONATIONS Thank you for your continued generosity to the Food Bank. Please leave items in the box in the entrance porch (see poster for most needed items).

FATHER PAUL'S REST DAY To be a parish priest is to live in a world of bizarre rhythms — you don't clock in but you also never really clock out. A parish priest is gladly available to his parishioners when they need him. However, we all need a day to rest and recuperate. Mine is (usually) Friday. I thank you for allowing me to have a break from all but emergencies that day.

DELAY TO LIFTING OF RESTRICTIONS

Following the announcement of the Prime Minister on 14 June that the country will not move to stage 4 of the covid roadmap until 19 July, things remain essentially unchanged in church. The only difference is for weddings.

Weddings More than 30 people may now attend a wedding service up to the safe capacity of the church building, with social distancing.

The Conference of Bishops continues to recommend that two key measures to help reduce aerosol and droplet spread remain in place in churches for now:

1. **hand sanitiser** for those entering churches

2. the **wearing of face coverings the whole time people are in the church building** (apart from those who are exempt.). At Mass face coverings should of course be taken off briefly for the reception of Holy Communion, then replaced immediately.

In addition, **routine cleaning** and **ventilation** are very important.

Social Distancing & Capacity

Our seating arrangements will remain unchanged. Stewards will continue to welcome worshippers and guide them to a seat, to Communion and to the exit.

Track & Trace

Our system of gathering details of those attending worship will continue. Stewards will still be on hand to welcome and assist, but individuals entering church should take responsibility for leaving track and trace details themselves.

THE CELEBRATION OF MASS

Congregational singing Indoor congregational singing is still prohibited at this stage.

Water stoups remain unfilled. Father Paul will happily bless pre-filled bottles of water for use at home.

The Prayer of the Faithful (Bidding Prayers). Brief bidding prayers are included at all our Masses.

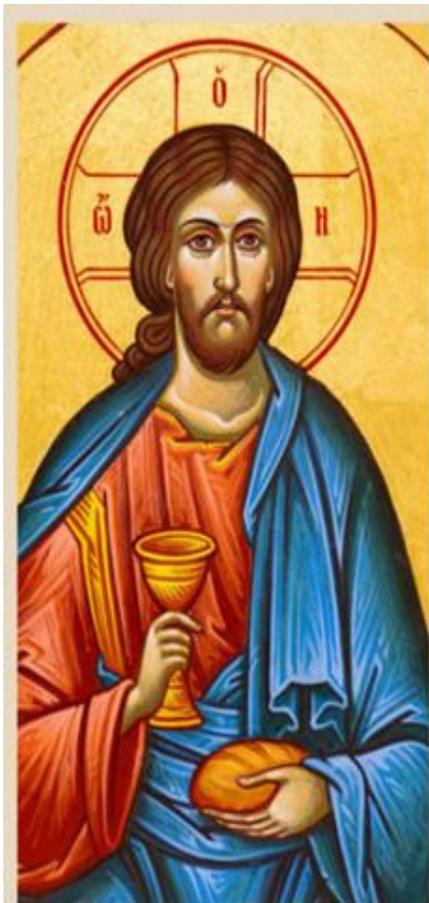
Offertory procession This will take place at Sunday Mass. Those bringing the bread and wine forward will sanitise their hands beforehand. The offertory will still not include the passing around of money bags.

Sign of Peace The physical exchange of the Sign of Peace remains suspended, as it would mean physical engagement with people outside family groups or bubbles. This will be kept under review as we continue the journey towards easing restrictions.

Holy Communion will continue to be distributed in one kind (the Host). The distribution of Communion will follow the same pattern under the guidance of stewards. The minister will continue to use hand sanitiser and wear a face covering, but will now announce "The Body of Christ" to each communicant.

It is recommended that Communion be distributed in the hand, but it is *permitted* to receive on the tongue. **Those who wish to receive on the tongue are asked to sit on the outer end of a pew and to come forward for Communion at the end of the distribution of Communion. The minister will sanitise his hands after each time he distributes Communion on the tongue.**

Incense is now permitted and will be used at the 10.30am Sunday Mass and at funerals.



Prayer for Spiritual Communion

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.

Prayers for Spiritual Communion

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.



**PASTORAL LETTER OF THE
MOST REVEREND BERNARD LONGLEY, ARCHBISHOP OF BIRMINGHAM
FOR THE 11th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, 12/13 JUNE 2021**

I will take a shoot and plant it myself...it will sprout branches and bear fruit.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I am delighted to welcome you back to church, as the pandemic restrictions are easing, if you have recently returned. With all the hardships we have endured over the last year, we are learning to deepen our trust in God's loving care and to respond in ways that express our care for each other.

Even though our church buildings haven't been fully open, the communal life of our Church has continued. I have seen wonderful work from so many people across the Archdiocese. People have continued to witness - stepping forward to support foodbanks, or to make PPE, helping to keep our churches open by becoming stewards or simply checking their neighbours' wellbeing. In such difficult times you have risen to the challenge, sacrificing your time and energy to serve others.

We are now making a fresh beginning in a very different setting. Following Pentecost, we pray that the Holy Spirit will guide and inspire us as we build-up the Body of Christ. The pandemic has focused our minds on our faith and on the role our churches play in society. We now have a fresh opportunity to make sure the Gospel is heard and seen through the example of our daily Christian lives.

I invite you today to reflect on what we have learned about our faith during this time. For my part, I have very much missed being able to visit you in the parishes and schools of the Archdiocese. At the same time, it has been a blessing to spend the whole liturgical year as part of the Cathedral community at St Chad's and to keep in touch through the live-streaming service.

I wonder what you may have learned about yourself and your faith in the past year? What has fanned the flames of your faith? What will you do differently in future?

The present moment offers an opportunity to focus on renewal here in our Archdiocese – being open to change. I want us to look at how we can each respond to God's call to be missionary disciples in the Church and in our local communities, working joyfully together to spread the Word and undertake the work of God. How are we to unfold God's plan for our Church?

Our vision is to be a Catholic diocese which is faithful to the mission entrusted to us by Jesus Christ, full of missionary disciples who work together co-responsibly in vibrant communities of faith, joyful in their service of God and neighbour.

Pope Francis has recently announced that every diocese will be asked to consult the People of God in preparation for the Synod of Bishops in 2023. That consultation is due to begin in October this year. Over the coming weeks, we want to begin a dialogue with you about how we fulfil our diocesan vision, and how each one of us can use the charisms given to us through baptism to play our part.

To prepare the way for this dialogue I invite you to think about the four essential aspects of our diocesan mission:

Evangelisation – Encouraging others to know God's love for them by inviting them to church, to pray and to encounter Christ – inviting them to parish groups where they can learn about Our Lord - helping to form missionary disciples and missionary parishes.

Formation - Nurturing future Catholic leaders in our churches and schools by providing both spiritual and pastoral formation and support – helping us to play an active role in the parish community - helping us to understand more about our faith so as to deepen our personal relationship with God.

Liturgy and Worship - Invigorating and deepening our worship and sacramental celebrations so that we share in and reflect the divine life of the Trinity - encouraging others to join us in praying to our Heavenly Father.

Social Outreach - Building up the common good through our charitable outreach - offering our time, our resources and our love to those who need them most - inviting others to join us in our charitable work.

We have all had to review our plans because of the pandemic, and now I am inviting you to join me in looking with fresh eyes at our diocesan mission. Where is the mustard seed that the Lord is asking us to plant for him? Can it take root and flourish in one of these four areas of growth?

These are the actions that I shall be taking:

I will ensure that priests, deacons, Religious and parishioners are supported to work together, so that we can share responsibility for the mission of the Church and deepen our relationship with God.

I will put the structures of the archdiocese at the service of our mission. This will begin with a re-arrangement of our deaneries, enabling us to begin a dialogue about how our parish structures can change so as to create or enhance vibrant parish communities.

I will put young people and families at the centre of our diocesan planning. Working with and through our wonderful Catholic schools, we will listen to them and actively encourage and support them to use their talents in the life of the Church and thus build even stronger relationships between our schools and parishes.

In two weeks' time some leaflets will be distributed at Mass and you will be able to find a new dedicated space on our diocesan website about the vision, together with more details of the diocesan plan to deliver it.

In July I will be inviting parishes to participate in a summer event, supported by the Archdiocese's Evangelisation group, to extend a hand of welcome to their local communities.

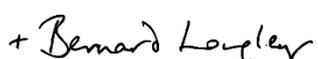
Next year we will be supporting parishes with more training, resources and events to help us in our mission to serve God and to enable the Church to grow – *like a mustard seed which...is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet once it is sown it grows into the biggest shrub of them all.*

I will be praying about all that lies before us as we continue this pilgrimage of faith. I invite you to pray the vision prayer with me and to make a pledge: to pray for our Archdiocese, asking the Holy Spirit to guide us forward and to make our faith fruitful in good works. So let us pray together:

Spirit of God,
descend on me this day.
Grant me the Spirit of joy, to lift me,
the Spirit of hope to inspire me,
the Spirit of love to surround me and
the Spirit of truth to enlighten my path.

Holy Spirit,
I pray for a new outpouring of your grace,
so that I may grow in worship of your name
in love of you in my prayer
and in my actions towards others.
Come Holy Spirit into my life to guide me.
Strengthen and defend me,
so that I may be drawn ever closer to you.
Help me this day and always
to be a channel of grace
in all I say and do
and invite others into relationship with you. Amen

Yours devotedly in Christ

+  Bernard Longley Archbishop of Birmingham

Given at Birmingham on the 3 June 2021 and appointed to be read in all Churches and Chapels of the Archdiocese on the 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time (12/13 June 2021).