



# THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF OUR LORD & ALL SOULS



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## ✠ TWENTIETH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME ✠

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2024

Sunday cycle of readings: Year B		Weekday cycle of readings: II		Divine Office psalter week IV	
For daily link for vespers on Zoom contact <a href="mailto:mark-niziolomski@virginmedia.com">mark-niziolomski@virginmedia.com</a>				For Evening Prayer in church <a href="http://www.singtheoffice.org">www.singtheoffice.org</a>	
Sun 18 <sup>th</sup>	<b>20<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME</b> (12 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity)	<b>9.30am MASS</b> <b>11.15am SOLEMN MASS</b> 5.30pm Evening Prayer	<i>Maurice Leahy RIP (1<sup>st</sup> anniversary)</i> <i>The People of the Parish</i>		
Mon 19 <sup>th</sup>	Feria	9.00am Adoration 9.30am Mass 5.30pm Evening Prayer	<i>Michael Perrott RIP</i>		
Tues 20 <sup>th</sup>	<b>St. Bernard, Abbot, Doctor of the Church</b>	9.00am Morning Prayer 9.30am Mass 5.30pm Evening Prayer	<i>Frank Duffin RIP</i>		
Wed 21 <sup>st</sup>	<b>St. Pius X, Pope</b>	9.00am Adoration 9.30am Mass 5.30pm Evening Prayer	<i>Lainah Rabvukwa RIP</i>		
Thurs 22 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b>	5.30pm Evening Prayer 6.30-7.30pm Adoration & Confessions 7.30pm Mass (Divine Worship)	<i>Fr Harry Curtis (40<sup>th</sup> anniversary)</i>		
Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>ST. JOHN WALL, Priest, Martyr</b>	7.00am Adoration 7.30am MASS	<i>Shehab</i>		
Sat 24 <sup>th</sup>	<b>ST. BARTHOLOMEW, Apostle</b>	9.00am Morning Prayer 9.30am MASS 10.00-11.00am Adoration & Confessions	<i>Ian O'Hara RIP</i>		
Sun 25 <sup>th</sup>	<b>21<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME</b> (13 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity)	<b>9.30am MASS</b> <b>11.15am SOLEMN MASS</b> (Divine Worship) 1.00pm Holy Baptism 5.30pm Evening Prayer	<i>Joseph and Peter Hughes RIP</i> <i>The People of the Parish</i> <i>Aika Scott</i>		

### THE WORD OF THE LORD

#### The theme of today's readings: The Divine Meal

**First reading** *Proverbs 9:1-6.* We read about the feast prepared by the "Wisdom of God," personified as a woman who built her house upon seven pillars, a symbol of perfection. All who seek understanding and forsake foolishness receive an invitation to come to her sacred meal. The Wisdom of God's divine banquet is the Eucharist. In the Mass we hear God speaking to us in the Liturgy of the Word. Then, in the Liturgy of the Eucharist, we accept his invitation to come to the banquet table at his altar to receive the "bread of life," Jesus's Body, and the "wine of the New Covenant, in his Blood". The Lord strengthens us on our journey of faith and advances our understanding of God's will for our lives.

**Psalms 34** The psalmist testifies to the blessing of having experienced the power of the Lord in his life in times of distress. First, he announces his praise to the Lord for his faithfulness, deliverance, and protection. Then he invites his listeners to "taste" (meaning to experience) God's goodness for themselves by appealing to God's mercy and by following his example of taking refuge in the Lord to seek salvation.

**Second reading** *Ephesians 5:15-20* St. Paul urges the Ephesian Christians not to make foolish choices. Paul refers to the wisdom of God that characterises the new life they received in the Sacrament of Baptism. Paul contrasts godly wisdom with the foolishness of those who have rejected God's sovereignty over their lives. He tells them to act wisely and not to waste time and opportunity by persisting in ignorance. Instead, Paul urges them to seek the will of the Lord by being filled with God's Spirit and participating in communal worship that unites the divine Liturgy of Heaven and earth.

**Gospel** *John 6:51-58* This is the third consecutive Sunday that we have been reading through Jesus' "Bread of Life Discourse" in the sixth chapter of the Gospel of St. John. In the readings on the previous Sundays, Jesus announced, "I am the bread of life, whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst" (John 6:35), and "I am the bread of life ... this is the bread that comes down from heaven so that one may eat it and not die I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever, and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world" (John 6:49b-51). Jesus told the crowd at Capernaum, and he tells us today, that he is the divine meal that gives life: "Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him on the last day. For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink". We reject the foolishness of believing only in what we can see with our eyes. We come with the vision of faith to the table of the Lord to experience and share in Christ's glorified life to nourish us on our journey through this life in preparation for the heavenly banquet that is to come for those who persevere in faith to the end.

## SAFEGUARDING

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese's policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is John Corroon. He can be contacted at [sg.allsouls.covty@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.allsouls.covty@rcaob.org.uk) or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 and [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concern.

**Please take this sheet away with you for Mass times this week, upcoming events and general information.**

**WELCOME** to Mass today. A special welcome to anybody joining us for the first time. Please introduce yourself to the clergy and if you're able, stay for refreshments in the parish room after Mass.

**LIVESTREAMING** For the comfort of parents with little children, livestreaming is available on the large smart screen in the parish room during the Solemn Mass at 11.15am on Sundays. Parents are encouraged to use the facility if children become restless.



## MARCH FOR LIFE 2024

A coach will leave All Souls Coventry at **9.45am** (Mass at 9am) for this year's March for Life in London and will leave London for Coventry at

4.30pm. Cost £20 per seat. To book a seat email Lucia at [allsouls.covty@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:allsouls.covty@rcaob.org.uk) or phone 02476674161. Payment required with booking. Cheques payable to All Souls Coventry. Send to The Presbytery, Kingsland Ave, Coventry, CV5 8DX.

**CHURCHES TOGETHER 'SPIRITUAL REFRESHMENT BRUNCH'** Churches Together in Earlsdon and Chapelfields invites you to a morning of reflection in our parish room on **Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> September**, 10.30am-12.30pm, led by Ben McCosker, elder at City Church Coventry.

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL** The next meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council is on **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September** at 7pm in the parish room.

**CENTENARY MUGS AND PLATES** Some very attractive centenary commemorative mugs and plates will soon be available for purchase in the resource centre.

**PARISH HISTORY 1924-2024: Our First 100 Years** Parishioner Paul Palmer has compiled an excellent history of All Souls, 1924-2024 for our centenary celebrations. It is full of very interesting information about the first 100 years of our parish, and includes some lovely newspaper articles, letters and photographs, some unseen until recently. Copies are available at the back of church and in the resource centre, **suggested donation £5** to cover costs. You can pay by cash or use the card readers.

**CATHOLIC LENDING LIBRARY** Please feel free to borrow any of the second-hand books on the trolley in the parish room, and return them when you're finished with them. The library is intended to inform people about, and nurture people in, the Catholic faith, so only books in keeping with the teaching of the Catholic Church will be included. **Donating books:** second-hand books which fit this description will be gratefully received. Please bring them to the parish office.

**RECENTLY DEPARTED** Please pray for the repose of the souls of **Lainah Rabvukwa** (Deacon Paul's mother, who died recently whilst Deacon Paul was visiting family in Zimbabwe), **Michael McNamara** (Funeral Mass 11am Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September), **Jo Curry** and **Michael Campain**.



Over the weekend of 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> September the Bishops of England & Wales are inviting all parishes to have a period of Exposition to coincide with the national Adoremus Eucharistic Congress. The purpose is to unite all the faithful around the Eucharist with renewed and deepened devotion. **The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for Adoration in our church from 1pm to 9pm on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September. More details to follow.**

## NOVENA FOR THE CANONISATION OF BLESSED DOMINIC BARBERI

Today is the beginning of the Diocesan Novena for the canonisation of Blessed Dominic Barberi. Please pray the following novena prayers every day for 9 consecutive days.

*O God, who so lovingly raised Blessed Dominic to the heights of holiness, learning and apostolic zeal and made him a powerful minister of your mercy, listen to our humble request.*

*We pray that you will in your goodness grant a miracle through the intercession of Blessed Dominic, so that the Church may further honour him on earth and that many more people will come to know and invoke the help of this faithful servant of the Church.*

*We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.*

*Mary, Mother of Mercy, pray for us.*

*Blessed Dominic Barberi, pray for us.*

*Saint John Henry Newman, pray for us.*

Blessed Dominic arrived in the Archdiocese from Italy in February 1842. He spent the next seven years based at Aston Hall in Staffordshire, from where he celebrated Mass, preached Missions, heard confessions, and received many people into the Catholic Church, the most famous being St John Henry Newman in October 1845. Blessed Dominic had a well-known reputation for sanctity and holiness of life. He is also remembered for his love for the poor, and those in need of prayer and help.

## CONFIRMATION & FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2025

Preparation for First Holy Communion and Confirmation in 2025 will begin in the autumn of 2024. If your child wishes to receive the sacraments in 2025 and routinely attends Sunday Mass at All Souls, please contact Father Paul.

**WOULD YOU LIKE TO BECOME A CATHOLIC?** If you are exploring becoming a Catholic – either by being baptised, or by being received into the Church if you were baptised in another Christian church – please contact Father Paul who will be very glad to guide you.

**CATHOLIC MEN'S GROUP** Our Men's group meets on the first Wednesday of the month in the parish room, 7-8pm. If you would appreciate encouragement in living the Catholic life as a man and the fraternal support of other men, please do come along. At our next meeting on **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September** we will be planning the content of our meetings for the year ahead.

**PARISH BEREAVEMENT GROUP** Our parish bereavement group meets on the **third Monday of every month** 2-3pm in the parish room. Our next meeting is on **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> August**.

**DEANERY E-NEWSLETTER** Subscribe to the new deanery e-newsletter to keep in touch with what is happening in the deanery. <https://coventry-catholicdeanery.org.uk/new/>

**HARVINGTON PILGRIMAGE 2024** The annual Pilgrimage to Harvington Hall, Shrine of the English Martyrs, will take place on Sunday 1 September. Mass is at 3pm with Confessions from 1.45pm – 2.30pm. Free timed tours of Harvington Hall are available.

## FROM THE PARISH NOTICE BOOK

### A window on to parish life in times past

From Sunday June 15<sup>th</sup> 1930

*“Archbishop directs that the usual prayers for the Harvest and the Industries of this country are to be said from now until the last Sunday of Sept. with the English prayers before each principal Mass on Sunday.”*

## HYMNS AT 9.30am MASS

Entrance 716 Offertory 608 Communion Choir Rec 303  
Ps. Taste and see that the Lord is good.

## THE SACRED HEART LAMP

burns this week for

**Chris & Gerald Tennant (Golden wedding)**

## THE LADY CHAPEL LAMP

burns this week for

**Joseph Whewell (memorial)**

To request a lamp please fill out an envelope at the back of church