



THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF OUR LORD & ALL SOULS



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✠ TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME ✠

Sunday 25th August 2024

Sunday cycle of readings: Year B		Weekday cycle of readings: II		Divine Office psalter week I	
For daily link for vespers on Zoom contact mark-niziolomski@virginmedia.com				For Evening Prayer in church www.singtheoffice.org	
Sun 25 th	20th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (13 th Sunday after Trinity)	9.30am MASS 11.15am SOLEMN MASS (Divine Worship) 1.00pm Holy Baptism 5.30pm Evening Prayer	Joseph and Peter Hughes RIP The People of the Parish Aika Scott		
Mon 26 th	BLESSED DOMINIC BARBERI, Priest, Religious	9.00am Adoration 9.30am MASS 5.30pm Evening Prayer	Harry, Eileen and John Hayton RIP		
Tues 27 th	St. Monica	9.00am Morning Prayer 9.30am Mass 5.30pm Evening Prayer	David Cross RIP		
Wed 28 th	St. Augustine, Bishop, Doctor of the Church	9.00am Adoration 9.30am Mass 5.30pm Evening Prayer	Matthew		
Thurs 29 th	The Passion of St. John the Baptist, Martyr	5.30pm Evening Prayer 6.30-7.30pm Adoration & Confessions 7.30pm Mass (Divine Worship)	David George Montgomery RIP		
Fri 30 th	Feria	7.00am Adoration 7.30am Mass	John O'Grady		
Sat 31 st	St. Aidan, Bishop & the Saints of Lindisfarne	9.00am Morning Prayer 9.30am Mass 10.00-11.00am Adoration & Confessions	Charlie Mullen RIP		
Sun 1 st Sept	22nd SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (14 th Sunday after Trinity)	9.30am MASS 11.15am SOLEMN MASS with Holy Baptism (Harriett Francesca Nollett) 1.00pm Holy Baptism 5.30pm Evening Prayer	The People of the Parish Rene Gardner RIP Beatrix Rose Perry		

THE WORD OF THE LORD

The theme of today's readings: The choice to serve or to walk away

First reading *Joshua 24:1-2, 15-18* When the Israelites completed the first phase of the conquest of the Promised Land, Joshua allotted territory to the new generation of the twelve tribes. God's servant, Joshua, had completed his mission in the allotment of the land. He called the tribes together for a national assembly at Shechem in central Canaan. He challenged the children of Israel to renew their commitment to the covenant oath of obedience they swore to the LORD at Mount Sinai (Exodus 24:3,8). Joshua called upon them to continue to live as holy people in obedience to all God's commands and prohibitions to reap God's covenant blessings in the Promised Land. His challenge was to either renew their oath to the covenant or relinquish God's protection and serve the false gods of the Canaanites and other Gentile peoples of the region. In making the challenge, Joshua answered for himself and his family, saying, "As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord!"

Psalms 34 The psalmist has experienced the power of the Lord in his own life amid times of distress and bears witness to the Lord's faithfulness, deliverance, and protection. We are invited to "taste" (meaning to experience) God's goodness for ourselves by appealing to his mercy and taking refuge in him through the blessings he gives us by receiving Christ in the Eucharist.

Second reading *Ephesians 5:21-32* St. Paul encourages the Ephesian Christians to become imitators of Christ by demonstrating love to others in the same way Christ loves them. He uses marital love as a metaphor for Jesus's love for his Church. Paul urges Christians to demonstrate a solid and unselfish mutual love, especially in their marital relationship. Comparing the marriage of a man and a woman to Christ and the Church, Paul made these concepts complement and illuminate each other. As the Head of the Body of Christ, Christ loves the Church like a man loves his wife, and he takes the Church as his Bride in the Sacraments of Baptism and the Eucharist.

Gospel *John 6:60-69* Today's Gospel reading concludes a four-week Sunday meditation on the Eucharist from Jesus's Bread of Life Discourse in the 6th chapter of St. John's Gospel. At the end of his discourse, Jesus challenged the Twelve Apostles to make a choice. He asked them if they would choose to believe and accept the New Covenant and the promise of eternal life that he offers in his flesh and blood or if they would walk away and return to their former lives before he called them to discipleship. He places the same challenge before us today.

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 or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 and 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 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 7th September**, 10.30am-12.30pm, led by Ben McCosker, elder at City Church Coventry.

EXHIBITION OF THE TURIN SHROUD An exhibition around one of the most famous religious artefacts in history is coming to St Patrick's, Deedmore Road, Coventry CV2 2HW, 1st-15th September. Visitors will be able to see a full-sized replica of the Shroud of Turin as part of a fascinating exhibition. The Shroud is a length of linen cloth that bears a faint image of the front and back of a crucified man. Many believe it is the actual burial shroud used to wrap the body of Jesus of Nazareth after his crucifixion, and upon which his bodily image is imprinted. The exhibition will also feature other displays and detailed information boards, which cover evidence revealed by historical and scientific research, explaining how the Shroud's image and bloodstains align with Gospel accounts. The exhibition will be open Tuesdays to Fridays 5 - 7pm, Saturdays 12 - 4 pm, Sundays after Mass (about 11.30) - 1pm.

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

GUILD OF ST. STEPHEN ANNUAL MASS OF THANKSGIVING

All our altar servers are invited to the Annual Mass of Thanksgiving at St. Chad's cathedral on **Saturday 5th October**, which will be celebrated by the Archbishop. The Mass will be followed by refreshments. The Guild of St Stephen is an international organisation of altar servers, founded in England in 1904 by Fr Hamilton McDonald. The Guild has spread and developed since then, and is active in many parishes in the Archdiocese of Birmingham.



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.

EDUCATION SUNDAY Education Sunday falls on the second Sunday 8th September in 2024, just as the new academic year starts and is one of the oldest Days of Special Prayer in England and Wales, established 176 years ago in 1848. The day is an opportunity for us to give thanks to God particularly for all involved in Catholic education, and to pray that our Catholic schools may truly be places of living and lived faith and of enlightenment.

SpREd The first meeting of the SpREd group after the summer break is on Saturday 14th September in the parish room, 12-2pm.

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.

RECENTLY DEPARTED Please pray for the repose of the souls of **Lainah Rabvukwa, Michael McNamara** (Funeral Mass 11am Monday 2nd September), **Jo Curry** and **Michael Campain**.



Over the weekend of 14th & 15th 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 15th September. More details to follow.**

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 4th September** we will be planning the content of our meetings for the year ahead.

OUR PARISH BEREAVEMENT GROUP Our parish meets on the **third Monday of every month** 2-3pm in the parish room. Our next meeting is on **Monday 16th September**.

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 1st September**. Mass is at 3pm with Confessions from 1.45pm – 2.30pm. Free timed tours of Harvington Hall are available.

HYMNS AT 9.30am MASS

Entrance 962 Offertory 603 Communion 629 Rec 284
Ps. Taste and see that the Lord is good.

THE SACRED HEART LAMPS

burn this week for

Eric & Martha (birthday blessing) and **Jack Shakespeare**

THE LADY CHAPEL LAMP

burns this week for

James Foley RIP

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