



THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF OUR LORD & ALL SOULS



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✠ TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME ✠

Sunday 22nd September 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 22 nd	25th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (17 th Sunday after Trinity)	9.30am MASS with Children's Liturgy 11.15am SOLEMN MASS (Divine Worship) 5.30pm Evening Prayer	Josephine & James Kelly RIP The People of the Parish
Mon 23 rd	St. Pius of Pietrelcina	9.00am Adoration 9.30am Mass 5.30pm Evening Prayer	Norah Devine
Tues 24 th	OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM	9.00am Morning Prayer 9.30am MASS (with school Years 2&4) 5.30pm Evening Prayer 7pm Evening Devotions to Our Lady of Walsingham	Benjamin Rabvukwa RIP
Wed 25 th	Feria	9.00am Adoration 9.30am Mass 5.30pm Evening Prayer	May Healy RIP
Thurs 26 th	Feria	5.30pm Evening Prayer 6.30-7.30pm Adoration & Confessions 7.30pm Mass (Divine Worship)	Thanksgiving (March for Life)
Fri 27 th	St. Vincent de Paul, Priest	7.00am Adoration 7.30am Mass	Sheila McKeown (retirement)
Sat 28 th	Feria	9.00am Morning Prayer 9.30am Mass 10.00-11.00am Confessions & Adoration	Annie Greene
Sun 29 th	26th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (18 th Sunday after Trinity)	9.30am MASS with Children's Liturgy 11.15am SOLEMN MASS 5.30pm Evening Prayer	Danny Boland RIP The People of the Parish

THE WORD OF THE LORD

The theme of today's readings: Service and suffering

The Church is the sinless Bride of Christ, but the irony is that she is full of sinners in need of repentance and salvation. The Church can be a loving family, but simultaneously, it is subject to human failings like jealousy, gossip, pride, ambition, and other hurtful behaviour. We expect opposition and strife from those outside the Church – Jesus warned us that it would come - but we feel betrayed when we experience hurtful behaviour from our brothers and sisters within the Church. Each of today's readings should remind us that when we find disappointments within the Church caused by human failings, we should not blame God or his Church. Instead, we should blame sin, and we should try to restore harmony and peace by praying for those in error, praying for the unity of the Church, and praying for ourselves, imperfect as we are.

First reading *Wisdom 2:12,17-20* The inspired writer of the Book of Wisdom addresses the malice of the wicked in subjecting the righteous to persecution. The early Church Fathers applied this passage to Jesus and his rejection by the Jewish religious authorities who arranged to have him condemned to death out of their jealousy. Thus, this reading prepares us for today's Gospel reading.

Psalms 54 Despite his hardships and the betrayal of his countrymen, David, God's anointed, calls upon the name of the Lord God, pleading for salvation from his enemies. David has confidence that God will save his life, and therefore, in gratitude, he offers sacrifice and praise to the Lord. David's descendant, Jesus of Nazareth, was also betrayed by his friend, Judas Iscariot, who handed him over to the religious authorities. And, even though he suffered, Jesus trusted God to preserve his life by raising him from the bonds of death to divine glory.

Second reading *James 3:16-4:3* St. James addresses the disorder within faith communities generated by pride, jealousy, and selfish ambition instead of humility, love, and peace. St. James identifies the struggles that begin as the petty jealousies and rivalries some Christians feel within themselves, which can erupt into conflicts within the community. These battles are initiated by those who lack "poverty of spirit" (see Matthew 5:2) and exhibit pride, meanness of spirit, and a lack of self-sacrificial love. Obtaining the reward of eternal life should be our goal, not worldly desires and ambitions and our own way. When those desires bring strife to the Church and suffering to other Christians, what was a wrong-directed ambition becomes a sin against individual brothers and sisters in the Church and, ultimately, a sin against the Church.

Gospel *Mark 9:30-37* Jesus gives the disciples the second prophecy of his Passion, warning them of his coming betrayal. Then he teaches them about humility and service, using a young child as an example of the childlike faith and trust required of a faithful servant of God.

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.

A WARM WELCOME to Mass today, especially to anybody joining us for the first time, including any university students living in the parish. 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 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.

FATHER HUDSON'S CARITAS There is a second collection today for Father Hudson's Caritas.

PASTORAL LETTER Today a pastoral letter of the Archbishop is being read in all parishes and chaplaincies of the diocese.

RECENTLY DEPARTED Please pray for the repose of the souls of **Maura Palmer, Benjamin Rabvukwa and Aidan Keane.**

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF WALSHINGHAM To celebrate the feast of Our Lady of Walsingham there will **Evening Devotions to Our Lady of Walsingham at 7pm this Tuesday, 24th September**, in addition to the 9.30am Mass.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE BIRMINGHAM AUTUMN CAMPAIGN To launch its autumn campaign, 40 Days for Life Birmingham is organising a live *interview with Natanya: A story of multiple abortions and coercion from abortion providers to finding peace in Christ.* Everyone is welcome to this event on **22nd September** at Our Lady and St Brigid's Parish Hall, 63 Frankley Beeches Rd, B'ham B31 5AB. No booking required. For further details contact Isabel on 07773501721 or izzyvs@gamil.com

READER FORMATION DAY All our readers are asked to make every effort to take part in a reader formation day on **Saturday 9th November**, 9.30am-3pm in the parish room, as part of their ongoing formation for their ministry. More details to follow.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL meets on **Wednesday 25th September** at 7pm in the sacristy.

GUILD OF ST. STEPHEN ANNUAL MASS Altar servers and their families are invited to join this year's annual Mass of Thanksgiving for the Guild of St Stephen. Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Bernard Longley on **Saturday 5th October** at 12noon at St Chad's Cathedral, followed by refreshments...

ALTAR SERVERS' BARBECUE ...and at home there will be a barbecue for altar servers and their families at 5pm on **Saturday 28th September** in the presbytery garden.

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, NOT directly on the trolley.

PRAYERFUL READING OF SCRIPTURE after the Tuesday 9.30am Mass in the parish room. All very welcome.

PARISH HISTORY 1924-2024 Copies of Paul Palmer's history of the parish are available at the back of church and in the resource centre, **suggested donation £5** to cover costs.

REJOICE AND BE GLAD Five weekly sessions of shared prayer and reflection on Pope Francis' Apostolic Letter, 'Gaudete et exsultate' in the meeting room at St Osburg's Church, Barras Lane CV1 4AQ, 7.p to 8.30pm, beginning Monday 7th October. If you are interested, please contact Barbara 07528644617 or Paschal 07403625292 by Friday 27th September.

PARISH MEMORIES AFTERNOON We'd love to hear YOUR memories and stories of All Souls. They are all part of the intricate and rich history of All Souls, which we want to gather together and preserve for future generations. **On Saturday 16th November, 12noon - 4pm**, we're hosting an All Souls Centenary Memories Afternoon in the parish room. Basically it's an invitation to enjoy a cream tea, a good natter and a trip down memory lane; to share memories and stories and perhaps catch up with old friends. We'll display some of the history we have, but if you have any photographs you could share, we'd love to see them, and with your permission, take a copy of them for our archives. Perhaps you have old service booklets or newspaper cuttings relating to All Souls. Please bring those along too. Most importantly, bring yourself and invite that friend who has never been inside All Souls.

MEMORIAL SERVICE Our annual Memorial Service for families of those whose funerals took place at All Souls in the last several years will be at **7.30pm on Monday 11th November**. If you have loved ones whose names you'd like to be read aloud during the prayers, please contact the parish office. All very welcome.

FOUNDATIONS OF FAITH From January there will be a monthly gathering on a Wednesday evening in the parish room to delve into different aspects of our Catholic faith. 'Foundations of Faith' is an opportunity to review the basics of our Catholic faith, e.g the Death and Resurrection of Jesus, Prayer, the Sacraments, Moral Action, Confession, the Holy Trinity, the Church, the Holy Spirit etc. The aim is to help establish a firm foundation of faith, so that we're able to stand steady as Christians in a world and culture teeming with constant changes and challenges. More details soon.

HARVEST THANKSGIVING MASS On **Wednesday 2nd October** at 1.30pm there will be a whole-school Mass of Thanksgiving for the Harvest, to which all are of course welcome.

CONTACTING FATHER PAUL People want to speak to the parish priest about all sorts of things, and that is good, but if at all possible, please don't wait until Sunday morning Mass to mention anything else that could be dealt with during the week via the parish office. Sunday morning is primarily for worship, fellowship and matters of a pastoral nature, such as enquiries about the sacraments. Enquiries about Baptism and the sacraments should not be made by phone or email, but in person at Mass. To contact Fr Paul by email please use fr.paul.burch@rcaob.org.uk (as overleaf), **not** his old email address. And finally, a reminder that Fr Paul's rest day is Friday.

THE ANGELUS The church bell now tolls the Angelus three times a day – at 9am, 12noon and 5.30pm. The Angelus is a beautiful memorial of the Incarnation of Christ throughout the course of the day. Copies of the Angelus prayers are available at the back of church, if you're unfamiliar with this lovely devotion. You can actually get your phone to alert you daily to the Angelus too!

FROM THE PARISH NOTICE BOOK

A window on to parish life in times past

Entry for 9th October 1938

There will be a reception of Aspirants of the 'Sodality of the Children of Mary' on Wednesday even[ing] directly after Benediction. After the reception of the office, a meeting of Aspirants & Members of the Children of Mary will be held in the school. Father Hampton will attend the meeting.

CONFIRMATION & FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2025 If your child wishes to receive the sacraments in 2025 and routinely attends Sunday Mass at All Souls, please contact Father Paul.

HYMNS AT 9.30am MASS

Entrance 762 Offertory 874 Communion 944 Rec 924
Ps. The Lord upholds my life.

THE SACRED HEART LAMP

burns this week for

Peace in the Holy Land

THE LADY CHAPEL LAMP

burns this week for

Amy Mathilda (birthday blessing)

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