



THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF OUR LORD & ALL SOULS



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✠ FIFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME ✠

Sunday 9th February 2025

Sunday cycle of readings: Year C

Weekday cycle of readings: I

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Sun 9 th	FIFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	9.30am MASS with Children's Liturgy 11.15am SOLEMN MASS (<i>Divine Worship</i>) 5.30pm Evening Prayer	Mary McHugh RIP The People of the Parish
Mon 10 th	St. Scholastica, Virgin	9.00am Adoration & Confessions 9.30am Mass 5.30pm Evening Prayer	Dympna Barbar RIP
Tues 11 th	Our Lady of Lourdes	9.00am Morning Prayer 9.30am Mass 4.45-5.15pm Confessions 5.30pm Evening Prayer	Dean Campbell RIP
Wed 12 th	Feria	9.00am Adoration & Confessions 9.30am Mass (with school Years 2&4) 5.00pm Reception into church 7.00pm Solemn Evensong & Benediction	Ann Kelly Greta Flitcroft RIP
Thurs 13 th	Feria	1.00pm Funeral Mass 5.30pm Evening Prayer 6.30pm Adoration & Confessions 7.30pm Mass (<i>Divine Worship</i>)	Greta Flitcroft RIP Dave Parnell RIP
Fri 14 th	ST. CYRIL, Monk & ST. METHODIUS, Bishop, Patrons of Europe	7.00am Adoration 7.30am MASS	Fr Michael Brandon (<i>anniv. of ordination</i>)
Sat 15 th	Feria	9.00am Morning Prayer 9.30am Mass 10.00-11.00am Adoration & Confessions	Tom Faulkner & Charlie Mullen RIP
Sun 16 th	SIXTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	9.30am MASS with Children's Liturgy 11.15am SOLEMN MASS 5.30pm Evening Prayer	The People of the Parish Deceased members of the Grant family

THE WORD OF THE LORD

Theme of today's readings: Receiving the call to discipleship

First reading *Isaiah 6:1-2a,3-8* God transported Isaiah into his holy, heavenly sanctuary to commission Isaiah to be his prophet and speak his words to the covenant people of Israel. The experience of coming into the presence of the holy and eternal God was overwhelming for Isaiah. He was immediately ashamed of his sinfulness and human inadequacy. In response to Isaiah's shame and repentance, God, in his grace, purified Isaiah and forgave his sins, spiritually preparing Isaiah to take up his mission. He immediately answered God's call: "Here I am...send me!"

Psalms 138 The psalmist vows to sing God's praises in the Temple liturgy and give thanks for God's kindness and faithfulness.

Second reading *1 Corinthians 15:1-11* St. Paul recalls his experience encountering the Risen Christ who called him to discipleship. Paul admits his inadequacy to be called an apostle because he had persecuted the Church before his conversion. However, he says Christ forgave him, and Paul testifies that he has effectively answered his divine calling because of God's grace.

Gospel *Luke 5:1-11* Simon Peter has an experience similar to the divine calls of Isaiah and St. Paul. As he stood on the shore of the Sea of Galilee, Peter was overwhelmed by his sinful human nature when confronted by the sinless Messiah, Jesus of Nazareth, who called Peter to "Follow me!" Falling on his knees in repentance, Peter was embarrassed by his sins and asked the sinless Christ to depart from him. But Jesus extended his divine grace to Peter, calming his fears and answering that he would be successful in his mission to serve the Lord as "a fisher of men." Peter would call the men and women of his generation to faith in Jesus as the promised Redeemer and Messiah, bringing salvation to Israel and extending his gift to all men and women.

All three men – Isaiah, Paul and Peter - had the faith and courage to leave behind everything in their past lives to follow God's invitation. Throughout salvation history, God continues to call faithful men and women to follow and take up the mission to carry the Gospel of salvation to the ends of the earth. Have you answered that invitation to service to the Lord God by sharing the good news of his Gospel of salvation in your family, community, workplace? Have you been willing to leave behind what is temporal in this life to seek what is eternal in the next life?

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. Please introduce yourself to the clergy and if you're able, stay for refreshments in the parish room.

PARENTS AND CHILDREN

It's a great joy to see so many young families in church. For the benefit of parents and parishioners, if young children become restless during Sunday Mass, parents are encouraged to make use of the livestreaming of the Mass on the smart screen in the parish room. Thank you. There are also some child-friendly books in the parish room – about the Mass, prayer, the saints, the Bible - for young children and parents to enjoy.

PRAYERFUL READING OF SCRIPTURE Read and reflect prayerfully on the upcoming Sunday's Bible readings with other parishioners after Mass on Tuesdays in the parish room.

DEACON PAT FLANAGAN RIP We pray for the repose of the soul of Deacon Pat Flanagan of Christ the King parish, who died last week. We pray too for his family, and for parishioners who will greatly miss Pat's love and devotion and care.

SOLEMN EVENSONG & BENEDICTION This month's service of Solemn Evensong and Benediction is at 7pm on **Wednesday 12th February**. The service, lasting about an hour, is followed by refreshments in the parish room. All very welcome.

SUNDAY MASS CHOIR PRACTICE The next practice for the 9.30am Sunday Mass choir is at 7.45pm on Tuesday **11th February**.

ALTAR SERVERS' MEETING We encourage all our altar servers and their parents to attend our next meeting in the parish room on **Saturday 15th February 5-6pm**. Siblings are very welcome too. Adults who help in the sacristy on Sunday morning are asked to attend too please.

MEN'S ROSARY IN THE CITY Saturday 22nd February 12.00pm - Chamberlain Square, Birmingham, by the fountain. We are called to be a shining light in the darkness and to be a witness to all nations. Join a growing movement of men who peacefully go into the heart of Birmingham and kneel down in front of a statue of Our Lady to pray for our city, nation, and for men to live out their God given vocation as protector, defender and servant. For more information contact Ben – 07885505116 Also see the poster in the porch.

BEREAVEMENT GROUP Our next meeting is on **Monday 17th February, 2-3pm** in the parish room.

ASH WEDNESDAY

Ash Wednesday, marking the beginning of the penitential season of Lent, is just a few weeks away now, on **Wednesday 5th March**. Please make a note of the Mass times:

9.30am Sung Mass (with the whole school)

7.30pm Solemn Mass

If you have any old palm crosses at home, these can be brought to church to be burned to make this year's ash. Please place them in the basket at the back of church.

HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS If a relative or parishioner is admitted to hospital, please let Father Paul know. If everyone assumes that someone else has told him, he will never get to know, or not until it is too late. Please also contact the chaplaincy office at the hospital, or ask ward staff to do so, so that pastoral and sacramental ministry can be arranged for them. If YOU are admitted to hospital, please do the same, if you are able. If you are a volunteer at the hospital and discover that some of our parishioners are patients, please ask them if they are happy for you to let Fr Paul know that they are in hospital, so that the parish can exercise its pastoral and sacramental ministry properly too. Thank you.

ANN CROARKEN At the end of the whole school Mass last week Ann Croarken was presented with an award from the Archdiocese of Birmingham in recognition of her service to Catholic education. Ann recently retired from All Souls school after 34 years of service. We wish Ann every blessing in retirement and thank her for much love and dedication shown over many years.

CHURCHES TOGETHER CHARITY FOR 2025 Each year Churches Together in Earlsdon and Chapelfields (CTEC) chooses a charity to support that year. The charity chosen for 2025 is Friends of the Holy Land (FHL), whose mission is "to secure a resilient and enduring community for Christians in the West Bank, Gaza, Israel and Jordan." At various Churches Together events during the year there is the opportunity to make a financial contribution to the chosen charity, and at All Souls **Friends of the Holy Land** will be an option on the card readers throughout 2025. Tap the FHL button and make your donation.

PLEASE DRIVE SLOWLY Parishioners who use the church car park are asked please to drive slowly and with care, especially on busy Sunday mornings and on weekday mornings when there is lots of school and nursery traffic - cars and pedestrians. Thank you.

CHRISTIAN HERITAGE CENTRE

Based at Stonyhurst College in Lancashire:

MEN'S SPIRITUAL EXERCISES 30 MARCH-4 APRIL 2025

A 5-day version of the Ignatian Exercises offered specifically for men (whether lay or ordained), this retreat will be preached by the Benedictine Monks of St Joseph's Abbey, Flavigny (France). Founded in 1988, this community has retained its charism of a specific apostolate to men with a shortened version of the Ignatian Exercises. One-to-one direction will be offered alongside the talks. For more information and to book: <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/mens-spiritual-exercises/>

THE SEARCH FOR TRUTH: EDITH STEIN 14-16 MARCH 2025

Fr Matthew Blake OCD will offer a weekend exploring the life and teachings of Edith Stein, or St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, and her indomitable search for truth that led her to the Catholic faith. For more information and to book: <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/the-search-for-truth-edith-stein/>

RECENTLY DEPARTED Please pray for the repose of the souls of **Deacon Pat Flanagan, Kieran Paul McGibney** (funeral arrangements to be confirmed), **Fintan Ledwith, Greta Flitcroft** (Funeral Mass 1pm Thursday 13th February), **Linda Alexander** who have died recently.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION The 4th session is on **Monday 10th Feb, 6.30-7.15pm** in the parish room.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION The 3rd session is on **Monday 24th February, 6.30-7.15pm** in the parish room.

Parents are reminded of the need for frequent attendance at Sunday Mass as part of their child's preparation to receive the sacraments later this year.

FOUNDATIONS OF FAITH

The next of our monthly evenings of teaching on the foundations of our faith is on **Wednesday 26th February, 7.00-8.30pm**, in the parish room. It will be a second session on **Creation and the Fall**. The aim is to help us know and defend the Sacred Traditions of the Church, the sound doctrine which we need in order to understand the Word of God. Please do come along.

HYMNS AT 9.30am MASS

Entrance 468 Offertory 972 Communion 865 Rec 877 Ps. In the presence of the angels I praise you, O LORD.

THE SACRED HEART LAMP

burns this week for

Paul Mulqueen RIP

THE LADY CHAPEL LAMP

burns this week for

Ann Murphy

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