



# THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF OUR LORD & ALL SOULS



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## ✠ SEVENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME ✠

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2025

Sunday cycle of readings: Year C

Weekday cycle of readings: III

For daily link for vespers on Zoom contact [mark-niziolomski@virginmedia.com](mailto:mark-niziolomski@virginmedia.com) For Evening Prayer in church [www.singtheoffice.org](http://www.singtheoffice.org)

<b>Sun 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>SEVENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME</b> (Second Sunday before Lent)	<b>9.30am MASS</b> with Children's Liturgy <b>11.15am SOLEMN MASS</b> (Divine Worship) 1.00pm Holy Baptism 5.30pm Evening Prayer	The People of the Parish Charlie Mullen RIP Spencer Eaton
Mon 24 <sup>th</sup>	Feria	9.00am Adoration & Confessions 9.30am Mass 5.30pm Evening Prayer	John Shiner RIP
Tues 25 <sup>th</sup>	Feria	9.00am Morning Prayer 9.30am Mass 4.45-5.15pm Confessions 5.30pm Evening Prayer	David Cross RIP
Wed 26 <sup>th</sup>	Feria	9.00am Adoration & Confessions 9.30am Mass 12.00pm Funeral Mass 5.30pm Evening Prayer	Robert Scanlon RIP Hazel Sheffield RIP
Thurs 27 <sup>th</sup>	Feria	5.30pm Evening Prayer 6.30pm Adoration & Confessions 7.30pm Mass (Divine Worship)	James Foley RIP
Fri 28 <sup>th</sup>	Feria	7.00am Adoration 7.30am Mass	Michael Burke RIP
Sat 1 <sup>st</sup> March	<b>ST. DAVID, Bishop, Patron of Wales</b>	9.00am Morning Prayer 9.30am MASS 10.00-11.00am Adoration & Confessions	Thanksgiving
<b>Sun 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>EIGHTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME</b> (Sunday next before Lent)	<b>9.30am MASS</b> with Children's Liturgy <b>11.15am SOLEMN MASS</b> 1.00pm Holy Baptism 5.30pm Evening Prayer	The People of the Parish Helen Smith RIP Teddy Kenney

### THE WORD OF THE LORD

Theme of today's readings: The Law of love

**First reading** *1 Samuel 26:2,7-9,12-13,22-23*

The Law of the Sinai Covenant required the Israelites to love and care for members of their covenant family, but they had no obligations to do so for those outside the covenant. In this reading, David demonstrated his obedience to that command when he chose not to kill King Saul. Saul's jealousy of David's success in battle and his popularity with the people grew into such a violent hatred that he vowed to take David's life. When David had the opportunity to kill his enemy, he resisted the temptation. Instead, he put his hope and trust in God because, as David reminds us in today's psalm, "God redeems your life from destruction" when you are faithful, obedient to his will, and trust him with your life.

**Psalms 103** The psalmist gives thanks to God for his physical and spiritual blessings. He praises God with his entire being, giving thanks for all the good God has done for him. Then he lists the reasons not only for his gratitude and praise, but why all people should be thankful and praise God. He testifies to the limitless extent of God's love and mercy in forgiving the sins of those who fear offending a loving God who casts out our sins: *As far as the east is from the west, so far from us does he remove our transgressions.*

**Second reading** *1 Corinthians 15:45-49*

The promise in this reading is that God will redeem the faithful. St. Paul writes that Jesus is the "second Adam." We bear the physical image of the first Adam, and like him, in death we will return to the dust of the earth. But through God's grace, Jesus, the "second Adam," has redeemed the faithful from spiritual death. Through the Sacrament of Baptism, we bear the image of the "heavenly Adam" who will one day return to make us like himself in the resurrection of body and soul.

**Gospel** *Luke 6:27-38*

Jesus not only fulfilled the old Law of the Sinai Covenant, but he transformed it. He intensified the demands of righteousness, internalised those obligations, and extended the covenant commands of justice, love, and compassion to include the entire human family and even our enemies.

## 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.**

**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.

## ASH WEDNESDAY

Ash Wednesday, beginning Lent, is on **Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March**.  
**9.30am Sung Mass** (with the whole school)  
**7.30pm Solemn Mass**

**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.

**SECOND COLLECTION NEXT SUNDAY** Next Sunday there will be a second collection for the maintenance of St. Chad's cathedral in Birmingham, the mother church of the archdiocese.

**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. Deacon Pat's Funeral Mass is at **12pm on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February** at Christ the King.

**AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED PILGRIMAGE TO YORK** Join Aid to the Church in Need (ACN UK) on their Pilgrimage to York: **York and the North - heartland of faith and hope** from 21 July - 26 July 2025, led by Fr Dominic Robinson SJ (Spiritual Director). For more information or to book a place contact Bridget Teasdale ([bridget.teasdale@acnuk.org](mailto:bridget.teasdale@acnuk.org)).

**CHURCHES TOGETHER PRAYER BREAKFAST** The next monthly Churches Together prayer breakfast is here at All Souls, 8am on **Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> March**. Please try to be here.

**LENT WALK WITH ME BOOKLETS** are available at the back of church as a spiritual companion during Lent. Please put money in the wall safe in the back wall of church. Free children's Lenten calendars also available.

**SpRed** group next meets on **Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> March**, 12-2pm in the parish room.

**RESOURCE CENTRE** There are lots of new items in the resource centre at the back of church: ESV Bibles (the new translation), ESV Sunday Missals (weekday missal available from April 2025), St. Patrick's Day cards, Mothering Sunday cards, Easter cards, First Holy Communion gifts, Confirmation gifts. Why not have a browse today? Cash and card payments accepted.

**THE JUBILEE YEAR LENTEN SESSIONS** on 'Pilgrims of hope on the synodal pathway'. Pope Francis said, "It is precisely the path of synodality which God expects of the Church of the third millennium". This Lent, you are invited to explore with others in the deanery what it means to be a pilgrim of hope making this synodal journey and what significance the current Jubilee Year has in deepening our understanding of the working of the Holy Spirit at this time in our history. This faith exploration will take place over four Monday evening sessions at St Osburg's Parish Hall on 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025. Sessions will run from 7.00pm to 8.30pm. Please register your interest in these sessions, by contacting one of the following: Barbara – 07528644617 Paschal – 07403625292. The deadline for registration is Mon 24<sup>th</sup> February

## MONDAY HOLY HOURS IN LENT

On the **Monday evenings of Lent** there will be a guided hour of Eucharistic Adoration (a Holy Hour), **7.30-8.30pm**, with silence, prayers, reflections and hymns drawing on the themes and scripture readings of the previous Sunday. An opportunity to **contemplate the face of Jesus our Saviour and the mystery of his love.**

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> March **Jesus is victorious over temptation**  
Monday 17<sup>th</sup> March **Jesus' transfiguration: a pledge of glory**  
Monday 24<sup>th</sup> March **Jesus calls us to repentance**  
Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March **Jesus makes possible our homecoming**  
Monday 7<sup>th</sup> April **Jesus: source of forgiveness and grace**  
Monday 14<sup>th</sup> April **Jesus moves towards his glorious Passion**

## 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/>

**OLD PALM CROSSES** 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.

**RECENTLY DEPARTED** Please pray for the repose of the souls of those who have died recently: **David Atkinson, Phyllis Ally** (Funeral Mass 1pm Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March) **Deacon Pat Flanagan** (Funeral Mass at Christ the King, 12pm Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February), **Kieran Paul McGibney** (Funeral Mass 11.15am Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> March), **Fintan Ledwith, Greta Flitcroft, Linda Alexander, Hazel Sheffield** (Funeral Mass 12pm Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February).

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION** The 5<sup>th</sup> session is on **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March**, 6.30-7.15pm in the parish room.

**CONFIRMATION PREPARATION** The 3<sup>rd</sup> session is on **Monday 24<sup>th</sup> 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 26<sup>th</sup> 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 898 Offertory 846 Communion 813 Rec 807  
**Ps. The LORD is compassion and gracious.**

## THE SACRED HEART LAMP

burns this week for  
**David Atkinson RIP**

## THE LADY CHAPEL LAMP

burns this week for  
**Hazel Sheffield RIP**

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