



THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF OUR LORD & ALL SOULS



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✠ FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT ✠

Sunday 30th March 2025

Sunday cycle of readings: Year C

Weekday cycle of readings: IV

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Sun 30th	FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT (<i>Laetare Sunday; Mothering Sunday</i>)	9.30am MASS with Children's Liturgy 11.15am SOLEMN MASS 5.30pm Evening Prayer	<i>Con Collins RIP</i> <i>The People of the Parish</i>
Mon 31 st	Feria	9.00am Adoration & Confessions 9.30am Mass 5.30pm Evening Prayer 7.30pm Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration	<i>Henry Darling RIP</i>
Tues 1 st April	Feria	9.00am Morning Prayer 9.30am Mass 10.15am Key Stage 2 Confessions Note: No evening Confessions today 5.30pm Evening Prayer	<i>Vilma Vaivadaite RIP</i>
Wed 2 nd	Feria	9.00am Adoration & Confessions 9.30am Mass (with school years 3&6) 10.30am Stations of the Cross (with Year 3) (Note: at St. Mary Magdalen's) 1.30pm Funeral Mass 5.30pm Evening Prayer	<i>Yvonne Middleton</i> <i>Simon Hayes RIP</i>
Thurs 3 rd	Feria	5.30pm Evening Prayer 6.15-6.45pm Confessions 6.45pm Stations of the Cross 7.30pm Mass (<i>Divine Worship</i>)	<i>Fr. Paul, Joseph Boulzbec, Denis Beare & Fr. Athanasius RIP</i>
Fri 4 th	Feria	7.00am Adoration 7.30am Mass <i>followed by Sacred Heart devotions</i>	<i>Kevin Shakespeare RIP</i>
Sat 5 th	Feria	9.00am Morning Prayer 9.30am Mass (with a Lenten address) 10.00-11.00am Adoration & Confessions	<i>Bridie O'Malley RIP</i>
Sun 6th	FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT (<i>First Sunday of Passiontide</i>)	9.30am MASS with Children's Liturgy 11.15am SOLEMN MASS (<i>Divine Worship</i>) 5.30pm Evening Prayer	<i>John Shiner RIP</i> <i>The People of the Parish</i>

THE WORD OF THE LORD

Theme of today's readings: Continual Reconciliation and Renewal

First reading *Joshua 5:9,10-12* The children of Israel kept God's command to celebrate the sacrifice of the Passover and the Feast of Unleavened Bread as soon as they crossed over into the Promised Land (Leviticus 23:4-8; Numbers 28:16-25). Their obedience was a sign of their continual love and gratitude to God in remembrance of their deliverance from the Egyptians and for bringing them to the land that he promised to the Patriarch Abraham (Genesis 12:1-3; 15:18-21).

Psalms 34 The psalmist praises the Lord for delivering him after the Philistine king captured him.

Second reading *2Corinthians 5:17-21* St. Paul teaches that God has reconciled the human family to himself through the sacrifice of Jesus Christ. In Christ, we become a "new creation." We are no longer the lost sons and daughters in Adam's family. Instead, we have become the "reborn" children of God through the Sacrament of Christian Baptism and can claim membership in the family of our heavenly Father.

Gospel *Luke 15:1-3,11-32* This theme of renewal and continual conversion is carried over into the Gospel reading, as seen in Jesus's Parable of the Lost Son. No matter how much sin has estranged us from our heavenly Father, he is always ready to welcome us back into communion with him and fellowship with our extended family in the Church when we return in repentance and humility. God will renew us in the Sacrament of Reconciliation and the healing power of the Sacrament of the Eucharist. Whether you are the lost son, the righteous son in the Gospel reading, or the reborn faithful Christian in the Second Reading, we all need the gift of God's grace through reconciliation. We must claim the gift and receive God's grace in our forgiveness and a renewed commitment to Christ and his Church.

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 Christian books in the parish room – about the Mass, for young children and parents to enjoy. **Parents are also reminded that they are responsible for the safety of their children whilst in church.**

SATURDAY PRAYERS FOR RENEWAL If we're not careful, we can easily get caught up in the narrative of church decline. There is undeniably numerical decline in the Church in this country, but that can be met with something other than fatalism or defeatism. It can be met with a desire for spiritual renewal where the Church has grown weary and faith in Jesus Christ has waned. A number of Catholics, pilgrims of hope, will meet at All Souls each Saturday, 2-3.30pm to pray before the Blessed Sacrament for the renewal of our parishes and the Church in our country. All are very welcome.

WAY OF THE CROSS – PILGRIMS OF HOPE A number of families of the Tamil chaplaincy will be making a Way of the Cross pilgrimage on **Saturday 12th April** in spiritual preparation for Holy Week. The pilgrimage involves visits to churches across Coventry, Kenilworth and Leamington Spa. **They will be visiting All Souls at around 11am** and spending about half an hour in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. Please come to welcome and join them. Benediction will be given at a slightly later time than usual that day.

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.

RECENTLY DEPARTED Please pray for the repose of the souls of those who have died recently: **Danijel Cukljek, Simon Hayes** (Funeral Mass 1.30pm Wednesday 2nd April), **Kevin Shakespeare** (Reception into Christ the King at 6pm on Thursday 10th April; Funeral Mass at 12noon on Friday 11th April), **David Atkinson**.

CHURCHES TOGETHER PRAYER BREAKFAST at Earlsdon Methodist church on **Saturday 5th April** at 8am.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS IN LENT **Wednesdays at 10.30am** (jointly with St. Mary Magdalen's) and **Thursdays at 6.45pm**. There are various sets of reflections and meditations available at the back of church for your use.

CHURCHES TOGETHER LENTEN LUNCH this Tuesday of at **St. Mary Magdalen's**, Sir Thomas Whites Rd, at 12noon.

CATHOLIC MEN'S GROUP next meets on **Wednesday 2nd April**, 7-8pm in the parish room. If you're a Catholic man over the age of 18, please do come along.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION The 7th session is **Monday 31st March**, 6.30-7.15pm in the parish room.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION The 6th session is on **Monday 7th April**, 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.

HYMNS AT 9.30am MASS

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God is forgiveness. Dare to forgive and God will be with you.

God is forgiveness. Love and do not fear.

Ps. Taste and see that the LORD is good.

HAPPY MOTHERING SUNDAY

We ask God's blessing today on all our mothers and pray for the repose of the souls of all departed mothers. May Mary our Mother intercede for them. Happy Mothering Sunday!

Holy Week

Holy Week is just two weeks away now. The full schedule of Holy Week services is displayed in church. The main services are:

Palm Sunday 13th April

9.30am Mass with the Blessing of Palms and Procession

11.15am Solemn Mass with the Blessing of Palms and Procession

Maundy Thursday 17th April

7.30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday 18th April

3.00pm Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday 19th April

8.30pm The Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday 20th April (Holyday of Obligation)

9.30am Mass 11.15am Solemn Mass

EASTER LILIES You are invited this year to 'sponsor' an Easter lily in memory of a departed loved one. The names of those being remembered will be displayed by the Easter Garden in the Sacred Heart chapel. To sponsor a lily please use the envelopes at the back of church. Suggested minimum donation of £5 per lily. Please place your envelope in the offertory at Mass or hand in to the sacristy or post through the presbytery letterbox.



CHURCHES TOGETHER PALM SUNDAY SERVICE

There will be a Churches Together service at 6.30pm on **Palm Sunday, 13th April**, here at All Souls. It will take the form of a meditation on the Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER VIGIL FOR LIFE Join the Candlelight Prayer vigil for Life organised by March for Life UK at 7pm on **Sunday 27th April (Divine Mercy Sunday)** in Victoria Square, Birmingham to remember the 57th anniversary of the implementation of the Abortion Act. Please come and join in this peaceful, prayerful time of reflection with speeches from Christian leaders as we recall the lives lost and wounded from the legalisation of abortion. No need to bring posters or candles. For more info go to marchforlife.co.uk Be a pilgrim of hope in the Jubilee year and give hope to the unborn.

FOUNDATIONS OF FAITH

The next of our monthly evenings of teaching on the foundations of our faith, after an Easter break, is on **Wednesday 7th May**, 7.00-8.30pm, in the parish room. It will be on **The Incarnation**. 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.

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 31st March **Jesus makes possible our homecoming**

Monday 7th April **Jesus: source of forgiveness and grace**

Monday 14th April **Jesus moves towards his glorious Passion**

THE SACRED HEART LAMP

burns this week for

Richard Parker RIP

THE LADY CHAPEL LAMP

burns this week for

Children in the parish preparing for the sacraments

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