

## THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF OUR LORD & ALL SOULS

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# ✤ THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER ✤

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2025

Sun 4 <sup>th</sup>	THIRD SUNDAY OF	9.30am MASS	Margaret & Martin Mulligan RIP
	EASTER	11.15am SOLEMN MASS	The People of the Parish
		Both Masses with First Holy Communions	
		5.30pm Evening Prayer	
Mon 5 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Feria	9.00am Adoration & Confessions	
		9.30am Mass	Arthur & Gertrude Midgely RIP
		No public Evening Prayer today	
Tues 6 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Feria	9.00am Morning Prayer	
		9.30am Mass	John Shiner RIP
		4.45-5.15pm Confessions	
		5.15pm Evening Prayer (note the earlier time)	
Wed 7 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Feria	9.00am Adoration & Confessions	
	Mass today will be a Votive Mass	9.30am Mass (with school Years 1&5)	John McKernan Sr
	for the Election of a Pope	5.30pm Evening Prayer	
Thurs 8 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Feria	5.30pm Evening Prayer	
		6.30pm Adoration & Confessions	
		7.30pm Mass (Divine Worship)	Christine Tyler
Fri 9 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Feria	7.00am Adoration	
		7.30am Mass	Gerry Benson RIP
Sat 10 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Feria	9.00am Morning Prayer	
		9.30am Mass	Daisy Jeffcoate RIP
		10.00-11.00am Adoration & Confession	
Sun II <sup>th</sup>	FOURTH SUNDAY OF	9.30am MASS	John & Bridie Carolan RIP
	EASTER	11.15am SOLEMN MASS (Divine Worship)	The People of the Parish
	('Good Shepherd Sunday')	1.00pm Holy Baptism	Lily & Logan Lindsay
		5.30pm Evening Prayer	

## THE WORD OF THE LORD

## The theme of today's readings: Following the Saviour

## First reading Acts 5:27-32,40b-41

The Apostles, who were once fearful and scattered, are now fearless and united in their commitment to Christ when facing the same Law court that condemned him to death. Empowered by the indwelling of the Holy Spirit, they were not intimidated and joyfully gave their testimony concerning the risen Lord.

**Psalm 30** The psalmist praises God for saving him and not abandoning him to the grave. Today's Mass puts this psalm into the mouth of Jesus, who thanked God the Father for raising him from death. God did not abandon him to Sheol, the abode of the dead into which Jesus descended after his physical death to redeem the souls imprisoned there. In this context, the psalm reveals its prophetic meaning by proclaiming what God did when he raised Jesus in glory and gave him victory over death. Victory over death is also what God will do for those who believe in Jesus Christ as our Lord and Saviour. We will follow him in our resurrection from the bonds of death and our ascent to heaven with him in glory.

## Second reading Revelation 5:11-14

St. John has a vision where he finds himself standing in the heavenly court among saints and angels. He gives us a glimpse of the Christian's reward for confessing belief in Christ no matter what the cost. St. John was suffering in exile for having proclaimed the Gospel, when Christ rewarded him with a visit to the heavenly sanctuary and the liturgy of the saints and angels as they offered worship and praise around the throne of God Almighty. He saw the Lamb of God, Jesus Christ, the sacrificial victim and the High Priest of the heavenly Sanctuary. This is the same vision all Christians hope to see at the end of their earthly lives when they follow Jesus into eternity.

## Gospel John 21:1-19

Seven Apostles, including St. Peter, meet the Risen Jesus on the shore of the Sea of Tiberias (the Roman name for the Sea of Galilee), where he cooked breakfast for them over a charcoal fire. Jesus ate with them to show that he was indeed resurrected in body and spirit. Afterwards, Peter, who had once denied Jesus three times by a charcoal fire, was forgiven three times by Christ and commissioned again to "feed" the "lambs" of the community of the Church and "lead" (as Pope) both the authorised teaching authority of Christ and the flock of Christ. We pray for the man who will be elected Pope in the coming days – that as shepherd, he will faithfully and lovingly feed and lead Christ's flock in these challenging times.



### 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 <u>safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk</u> 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 if you are 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** 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.** 

**CLERGY TRAINING FUND** There will be a second collection for the Clergy Training Fund next Sunday.

**BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS** You are warmly invited to Bishop Ullathorne Catholic secondary school, Leasowes Ave, Coventry CV3 6BH on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May at 6:00pm. We will be joined by Jacquie Stacey who will share her wealth of knowledge of Carlo's story. There will be a time of



Adoration and the opportunity to venerate a relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis, who will become the first millennial saint. The relic, a section of his hair, offers the faithful a unique opportunity to venerate this inspiring young figure who has been hailed as a patron saint for the digital age. Preparations for his canonisation by Pope Francis were underway and due to happen on the 27th April. Carlo Acutis's canonisation will now be one of the first major acts awaiting the next pope.

AN HOUR WITH THE LORD A number of Catholics, pilgrims of hope, meet at All Souls on **Saturdays at 2pm** (except the first Saturday of the month) to pray for the spiritual renewal of our parishes and the Church in our country. All are very welcome.

**FOUNDATIONS OF FAITH** will resume in June, not on 7<sup>th</sup> May as previously advertised. Apologies for any inconvenience.

WeBelieve, 25th-28th July 2025, a festival of Catholic Life celebrating the Jubilee Year of Hope, with parishes and families in mind. Four days of music, keynotes, conversation & worship, in the beautiful surroundings of St Mary's College, Oscott, Sutton Coldfield. Featuring Dr Gianna Emanuela Molla (daughter of St Gianna Molla), Fr Paul Murray, Mgr Michael Nazir-Ali, AnMari, Fr Toby Lees & many more. Pilgrim-attendees can choose to come for the whole weekend (camping, staying locally or coming from home) at an adult Early Bird rate of £70, or for a day for £40. Early Bird Tickets available now at <u>www.webelievefestival.com</u>

**DIOCESAN SAFEGUARDING VOLUNTEER** The Trustees of the Birmingham Diocesan Trust are looking to recruit a skilled, Catholic volunteer with professional experience of safeguarding to join the Board of Trustees and chair the Safeguarding Sub-Committee. We'd welcome discussion with anyone interested in this important role - Further details available at www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/Pages/FAQs/Category/safeguarding

**PLAYGROUP VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** If you are able to help with the playgroup which meets on Monday mornings in the parish room, please speak to Anna or Tricia or Fr Paul.

**CENTENARY CONCERT OF FAURE'S REQUIEM** To celebrate the centenary of our church, which was built as a memorial to those killed in the Great War of 1914-1918, the Coventry Philharmonic Choir will perform Faure's Requiem and Cantique de Jean Racine at All Souls at **5.30pm on Saturday 21**<sup>st</sup> **June**. Tickets priced £8 are now available at covphilsoc.org/concert, at church and on the door.

#### FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS TODAY

We give thanks today that children in our parish will be receiving the Holy Eucharist for the first time at today's Masses. Please pray for them and their families and do all you can to encourage them in the practice of their faith.

**PRAYERS FOR THE CONCLAVE** We pray for the cardinals who will meet in conclave this Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> May, to elect a successor to Saint Peter, following the death of Pope Francis. Come, Holy Spirit!

**MEET YOUR POLICING TEAM** (Woodlands, Whoberley, Westwood and Wainbody) and other local partners to tackle crime and community safety concerns. **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May**, 19.00-19.45 in the parish room. An opportunity to ask questions, raise issues and seek help on individual or community problems.

**PRAYERFUL READING OF SCRIPTURE** on Tuesdays in the parish room after the 9.30am Mass.

**PASTORAL COUNCIL** The next meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council is at 7.30pm on **Monday 2**<sup>nd</sup> **June** in the parish room.

**ORDINARIATE FESTIVAL: ALL MY HOPE** This year's annual Ordinariate Festival is being hosted at All Souls, **Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> – Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> May**. It is an opportunity for members of the Ordinariate from different parts of the country to gather for worship, fellowship and reflection, but open to all. Registration is necessary for meals. The theme of the Festival in this Jubilee Year is hope. Our speaker is Fr David Butler, a hermit of the Ordinariate.

#### PARISH MISSION 30<sup>th</sup> June- 4<sup>th</sup> July 2025

At the end of June Fr Royston Price CSSR and Fr Peter Morris CSSR, priests of the Redemptorist order (Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer), will lead a **parish mission** to round off our centenary year. We thank God for the faith and witness of our forebears, and ask for God's grace to strengthen and inspire us to keep the torch of faith burning in our parish and families today and tomorrow. Programme to follow soon, but please note the dates.

THANK YOU FROM THE SOCIAL SUPERMARKET "To

All Souls church. I am writing to thank you all for your generous ongoing support with our work here at Feeding Coventry, a small but very busy charity working to create a resilient community where no one goes hungry...When people come to us they're often dealing with a host of complex life challenges. A key element of the support we offer is through our busy social supermarket which offers discounted food to members struggling on low incomes. Thank you again for choosing us – we very much appreciate everything you do to support us." Non-perishable food items can be placed in the box at the back of church. Thank you. **RECENTLY DEPARTED** Please pray for the repose of the souls of those who have died recently: **Peggy Barrett** (Funeral Mass I Iam Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> May), **McCormack** (Funeral Mass I0am Friday 16<sup>th</sup> May), **Bernard (Barney) Gallen.** 

**THEOLOGY OF THE BODY** Aimed at healthcare workers and students, the Catholic Medical Association (Youth) is hosting an event on the topic of the Theology of the Body on **Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> May** in Birmingham. The event will include talks from the founders of the TOB network UK, Fr David Marsden SJ & Dr Christine Ward PhD. See poster in the porch for details.

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/man-and-woman-he-created-thema-theology-of-the-body-teaching-day-tickets-1301908004889

**CONFIRMATION PREPARATION** The 7<sup>th</sup> session is on **Saturday** 10<sup>th</sup> May, 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.

THE SACRED HEART LAMP burns this week for Bridie & Peter Gavin THE LADY CHAPEL LAMP burns this week for Walter German To request a lamp please fill out an envelope at the back of church