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BETHARRAM

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**Welcome to this House  
of God:**

**Talk to God before Mass**

**Listen to God during  
Mass**

**Talk to others after Mass**

### Today's Mass Readings

*1 Kings 17: 10-16;*

*Psalms 145;*

*Hebrews 9: 24-28;*

*Mark 12: 38-44*

<b>This Week 11th November - 18th November (Psalter Week 3)</b>	<b>Holy Mass &amp; Services</b>	<b>Other Events</b>
<b>Sunday 11th November Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B REMEMBRANCE DAY</b>	8.30 am Vincenza Eaton RIP (MR) 10.30 am Holy Mass 6.00 pm Holy Mass	After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea in the Hall Piety Stall & Traidcraft Stall available SVP Appeal
<b>Monday 12th November</b> Memorial of St. Josaphat, Bishop, Martyr	<b>9.00 am Morning Prayer</b> 9.15 am Holy Mass	
<b>Tuesday 13th November</b> Feria in Ordinary Time	<b>9.00 am Morning Prayer</b> 9.15 am Holy Mass	
<b>Wednesday 14th November</b> Feria in Ordinary Time	<b>9.00 am Morning Prayer</b> 9.15 am Arthur Leason (MB)	<b>10.00 am - 9.00 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</b> 7.30 pm: Parish Council Meeting
<b>Thursday 15th November</b> Feria in Ordinary Time	<b>9.00 am Morning Prayer</b> 9.15 am Holy Mass	
<b>Friday 16th November</b> Feria in Ordinary Time	<b>9.00 am Morning Prayer</b> 9.15 am Deceased Members of the Van der Heijan Family (MB)	7.00 pm: Parish Thank you Evening
<b>Saturday 17th November</b> Feria in Ordinary Time	<b>10.30 am Holy Rosary</b> 11.00 am Holy Mass	<b>10.15 am - 10.45 am: Confessions</b>
<b>Sunday 18th November Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B</b>	8.30 am Deceased Members of the Brush Family (MB) 10.30 am Holy Mass 6.00 pm John Weaver (MW)	After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea in the Hall

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

8.30 am & 10.30 am: My soul, give praise to the Lord.

6.00 pm: Come lord and save us, come Lord and save us.

Maranatha! Come into our world. (Repeat)

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### PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS

Please pray for all our parishioners, and/or their friends and relatives, who are unwell:

Ralph & Milly Arnold, Mary Arulandhu, Barbara Conway, Patrick Cussen, Eddie & Eileen Dalton, Delores Delaney, Bernadette Duffy, Alan Francis, Beryl Hill, Alan Hurst, John Jennings, Kevin McCorry, Rosemarie Preece, Barbara Quigley, James Regan, Michael Sheridan, Jacky Smith, Jim Tustain, David Veale, Breda Wightman, Mark Wightman, Richard Wightman & Brigid Yates

**Due to the new data regulations (GDPR), the Archdiocese have requested that we do not list names unless we have the consent of the individual. If you would like your name to be included in this list please contact Fr. George SCJ or Kate Dalglish. Please note that the newsletter is also placed on the parish website. Thank you for your understanding.**

### RECENT DEAD

Your prayers are asked for **Mrs. Louise Hill** who died recently. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. The Funeral Service will be at 1.30 pm on Wednesday 21st November followed by a Cremation at 2.30 pm at Worcester Crematorium. Please also remember her family members and friends in your kind thoughts and prayers.

### REMEMBRANCE DAY

After the 6.00 pm Mass on Sunday 11th November there will be a two minute silence to remember and honour those who have sacrificed themselves in the two world wars and other conflicts to secure and protect our freedom.

### LESS THAN 4 WEEKS TO GO UNTIL OUR ADVENT FAYRE!

It is now less than four weeks till we celebrate our **Advent Fayre**, on the afternoon of Saturday 1st December. We hope EVERYONE, young and old is planning to attend this highlight social occasion for our Parish because we are organising it for you. **Thanks a bunch** all you who have already brought in items as raffle prizes or contributed to our stalls. If you have not contributed yet and want to help it is not too late, just bring in your supplies and toss them in the box at the back of church or take bigger items through to the hall and leave it by the door into the Romero Room. **For the next two weeks** we want to concentrate on items for our **Bric-a-Brac and Books stalls**. Remember we are looking for things to sell that your fellow parishioners might appreciate. **Books** can be for all ages, young and old. Children's books always sell well, so ones your youngsters have grown out of perhaps? For adult books maybe ones you have read and enjoyed and would like to pass on. Bring them in, ideally in boxes or bags in a clean, saleable condition and leave near the door to the Romero room in the hall.

***Tickets for our Grand Raffle now available after every Mass. Always a big money-spinner for the parish so do your bit and take a stock of tickets both to buy yourself and to sell to friends and family, with some fabulous prizes to win.***

## NOVEMBER : MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

In November we remember and pray especially for those who have died. At the back of church there are "In Remembrance" sheets. If you would like to remember in this special way loved ones who have died, write down their names, place the sheet in one of the envelopes provided and put it in the Holy Souls Box (**do not put any money in the envelope**). The Holy Souls Box will be placed near the altar at each Mass in November. It is a good time to offer the sacrifice of Mass for a loved one in November and also someone you know who is in need or close to you. There are Mass Intention Request envelopes available in the Narthex if you wish to have Mass offered for deceased relatives and friends.

## CHILDREN'S LITURGY GROUP 4 TO 7 YEAR OLDS

This group is a very successful and inspirational part of our parish life. In order to maintain the standards of the group it is important that parents of children participating understand that the only adults that should be with the children are the volunteers who have gone through the appropriate safeguarding process. Parents who are not part of the volunteer team can remain with the congregation while the children have their Liturgy separately. This is mainly a safeguarding issue but also it diminishes one of the basic objectives of the group which is help the children develop a sense of independence. Any parent who would like to be considered as a volunteer is welcome to join but must go through the safeguarding process first. Please contact Fr George, Shelagh Young or one of the safeguarding representatives if you want to join the volunteer's team or require any further information.

## READERS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

There is a new rota available for the period from Sunday 18th November that will be distributed via email. A few copies are available from the Sacristy for those who are not on the distribution list. Please contact Fr. George SCJ if there are any problems. If you are unable to take your turn on the rota, please arrange to swap with someone else. Many thanks.

## MISSIO: RED BOXES

As we approach November, please allow me to remind you of the last collection for 2018. I would be grateful if **all box holders** could kindly bring your boxes to church at your convenience from **Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> until Sunday the 18<sup>th</sup> of November**. It is my last year as Missio Local Secretary for our Parish as I am soon to leave the UK. I am now calling for someone to come forward in order to continue this wonderful cause. With thanks and best wishes. Maria (07525 087415)

## NEWSLETTER

We currently print over 10,000 pages a year. During November we are going to trial reducing the number of copies we print. Copies will remain on the noticeboard at the entrance to the church and will also be available on request to those who ask. If you have any feedback on this or would like a paper copy, please either speak to Fr. George or contact the Parish Office. Thank you for your understanding.

## RiDL

The next Retreat in Daily Life support group will be on Thursday 22nd November at 7.30 pm, focussing on John 18: 33-37. All are welcome. If you would like to attend or need more information please contact Debbie Prigg on 01905 771288 or [dprigg@btinternet.com](mailto:dprigg@btinternet.com).

## PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The next Parish Council Meeting is on Wednesday 14th November at 7.30 pm. Please could any items for discussion be given to Fr. George SCJ as soon as possible.

## CHURCH CLEANING

I am asking for some volunteers to join our cleaning groups. Each group takes a turn approximately six times in the year. Cleaning is done after morning Mass on either Thursday or Friday depending on which group is on.

It takes approximately one hour if everyone turns up. If you can help us please contact Pat Webb on 01905 455702.

Thank you.

## FOODBANK

A new wish list including items for Christmas is on the noticeboard. Items can be placed in the box at the entrance to church. Thank you for your generosity.

## ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM NEWSLETTER

There are two copies of the latest newsletter from the Archdiocese at the back of church.

## INDEPENDENT INQUIRY INTO CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE (IICSA)

**Main Collection:**

**£213.68**

**Gift Aid: £244.35**

**Mass Attendance**

**Last Sunday: 285**

**Thank you for  
supporting your  
Parish.**

**The retiring collection  
for the Johnson**

**Association raised:  
£91.97**

**Gift Aid: £151.60**

**Thank you for your  
generosity.**

### PARISH HALL KEYHOLDERS

The Hall Management are looking for people to join the keyholders rota. The team is small and it would be a great help if there were more volunteers. Hiring the Parish Hall provides valuable income for the Parish. We can only continue to hire the hall out if there are people to open and close the hall. Please contact Caroline Healy on 01905 779437 or Kate Dagleish on 01905 773258 if you are interested. Many thanks.

**Next Sunday's Mass**

**Readings**

*Daniel 12: 1-13;*

*Psalms 15;*

*Hebrews 10: 11-14,  
18;*

*Mark 13: 24-32*

The Archdiocese hearing in the Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse (IICSA) begins in London on Monday 12th November and runs until Friday 16th November. The Archdiocese believes that the work being done by IICSA is of great significance and supports the aim of strengthening and improving safeguarding practices and cultures within the Church. The welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults is a fundamental priority for the Archdiocese. Fostering a culture which has safeguarding at its very heart remains a key part of our work. If you would like to speak to someone about safeguarding and the Church's work, please call **0121 230 6240**. If you would like to speak to someone independent of the Church you can contact the NSPCC on **0800 800 5000**. Please pray with us for all victims of abuse, and for all those involved in the work of this important Inquiry. Last weekend's Pastoral Letter on this matter can be found on the Archdiocese website <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk>.

### SVP: THE CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE

The Giving tree will be in the side chapel from Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> November. For parishioners who are new to our parish, the idea is to take an angel from the tree, purchase a present suitable for a child whose details are given on the angel and return it wrapped in suitable paper with the angel attached. There are additional angels in the box by the tree. The last date for bringing the presents to church is Sunday 16th December. The presents will be distributed mainly to Father Hudson homes and some to families supported by St Vincent de Paul Society locally. **Thank you for supporting this annual appeal.**

### REFUGEE KNITTING & UNDERWEAR COLLECTIONS

**Refugee Knitting:** Thank you all so very much for the variety and vast quantity of items donated, many so thoughtfully packaged. Thank you also to the person/s who left the vast quantity of buttons, they will help the knitters to defray their costs. Needles, patterns and wool are also available at the church entrance. For new knitters, make anything you feel will help the adults and children in the camps abroad. **Refugee Underwear Collection:** Thank you to everyone who donated to this crucial appeal. Items will be so gratefully received, as there continues to be a desperate need for them. **Hat, Scarves & Gloves Appeal:** As well as the wonderful knitted items we regularly send, if anyone has spare items they would also be so gratefully received because of the drop in temperature in the camps. All the items can be left at the entrance to the church. Once again thank you for your incredible, continual support. The next collection will be on Saturday 1st December.

### SAVE THE DATES

Please note the following dates in your diaries:

**Saturday 24th November**

Service of Remembrance after the 11.00 am Mass

**Saturday 1st December 2018**

Parish Christmas Fayre 12 Noon - 3.00 pm

**Saturday 16th February and Sunday 17th February 2019**

Archbishop Deanery Visitation (Sacred Heart Parish)

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