

# PARISH OF SACRED HEART AND HOLY SOULS

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SATURDAY 28TH	4.00-4.30pm 5.00pm	Confessions Sunday Vigil Mass	Patrick & Ellen Marjorie Byrne
Sunday 29th	8.30am 10.00am 12 noon	Holy Mass Holy Mass Holy Mass	Tony Fagan Bridget Storey & Donie Horgan Brendan Connolly (1st anniv)
Monday 30th Feria	10.00am	Holy Mass	Tom Wall
TUESDAY 31ST FERIA	10.00am	Holy Mass	Nicholas Day
WEDNESDAY 1ST SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS	10.00am 12.30pm 7.00pm	Holy Mass Holy Mass Holy Mass	Marie Pate Isobel & Joseph O'Neil & deceased O'Neil family Margaret & Albert Rock
THURSDAY 2ND ALL SOULS	10.00am 12.30pm 7.00pm	Holy Mass Holy Mass Holy Mass	Anthony, Mary & Lorna Smythe Pat Galvin Holy Souls
FRIDAY 3RD ST MARTIN DE PORRES	6.00pm 7.00pm	Adoration Holy Mass	Dennis Simons
SATURDAY 4TH ST CHARLES BORROMEO	10.00am 10.30-11.30am	Holy Mass Adoration and Confessions	Monica, Bob & Fr Tony Brisland
THIRTY FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME			
SATURDAY 4TH	4.00pm 5.00pm	Confessions Sunday Vigil Mass	Michael Connaughton
SUNDAY 5TH	8.30am 10.00am 12 noon	Holy Mass Holy Mass Holy Mass	Geraldine Thornlow Michael Druggan Jim Kearney

## THE CATHOLIC SCHOOLS IN OUR PARISH

HOLY SOULS PRIMARY SCHOOL Mallard Close, B27 6BN Headteacher: Mrs. R. Girling Tel: 0121 272 1776 Website: www.holysoul.bham.sch.uk Email: enquiry@holysoul.bham.sch.uk



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## **SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY (SVP)**

#### **THIS WEEK**

**APPEAL FOR SPECIAL SCHOOL** - We welcome Sister Helen, a religious sister who has visited our parish in the past. She is asking for help to build a special school in Africa for children with severe autism and other special needs. She will make an appeal next weekend and will be selling some CDs of religious music she has made.

A PLACE OF WELCOME - In the Parish Meeting Room this Sunday 29th October 2.30pm to 4.00pm for special needs adults and young people, children of catechetical age and their families are invited to come along and find out more. Refreshments will be served

**SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS** - <u>Wednesday</u> is the great Feast of the Saints of every time and place who see God face to face in the joy of heaven. It is a Holy Day of Obligation and we are bound to attend Mass on this day. **Masses celebrated at 10am, 12.30pm & 7pm.** The great saints of the Church adored Christ in the Mass and the Holy Eucharist. Can we make a huge effort to do the same on Wednesday by fulfilling our obligation to come to this feast day Mass? What a great act of witness this can also be to others.

**ALL SOULS DAY** - <u>On Thursday</u> we commemorate all the faithful departed. Our prayer for them has always been important in the life of this parish dedicated to the Sacred Heart & Holy Souls. It has always been amazing to see the numbers of people attending Mass on this day. Let's hope and pray many will come to the **Masses this Thursday at 10am, 12.30pm or 7pm.** 

**PLENARY INDULGENCE** - A plenary indulgence for the faithful departed can be obtained on All Souls day. The requirements to obtain the indulgence include the recitation of the Our Father and the Creed, Sacramental Confession and reception of the Blessed Eucharist and a prayer for the Pope's intentions. To assist in obtaining the Indulgence, Confessions will be heard 30 mins before each Mass on Thursday, though it is sufficient to go to Confession within 20 days (before or after 2 Nov).

**NOVEMBER LIST FOR THE HOLY SOULS** - As we prepare for November, please add the names of your beloved dead family and friends to the lists in the porch. You can also take away a spare list and bring it back next weekend. These lists will be placed in our November Book before the altar and remembered in every Mass in November.

**WEEKDAY MASS** - A great devotional practice in this month of November is to come to an extra Mass in the week to pray for our deceased relatives and friends. Coming to Mass to pray for their intentions is another sign of our love and care for them.

**CONFESSIONS** - Remember the name of God is mercy. Make sure Confession is part of your way of life. Come experience the mercy and strength of God.

**OUR CHURCH IS OPEN** - On weekdays the Church remains open for private prayer before the morning Mass until early evening. If you are passing by, please pop in and make a visit to the Blessed Sacrament and light a candle. The Lord is always present in the Tabernacle and invites us to come to Him to be refreshed.

**FRIDAY EVENING ADORATION** - Please come and share in this special time of prayer before the Lord in the Blessed Eucharist this <u>Friday evening at 6pm followed by Mass at 7pm.</u> as we pray for peace and for many other needs.

#### **EVENTS COMING UP**

**PARISH PRAYER GROUP** - The next meeting will be on <u>Thursday 9th November</u> after morning Mass in the Parish Meeting Room. All welcome.

MASS FOR THE BEREAVED - Our annual Mass for those who have lost a loved member of their families will be on <u>Saturday 11th November at 5pm.</u> During this Mass the names of those who have died this past year or so will be read out. Refreshments will be served after the Mass.

**BLESSING OF GRAVES -** See list with details in the porch of the dates for the cemeteries in November. Saturday 4th November Oscott Cemetery 3pm, Sunday 5th November 2pm Woodlands Cemetery & Brandwood End, Sunday 12th November Widney

Manor (Graves 1-1340 from Entrance gate to traffic island only) Sunday 19th November Widney Manor (graves between traffic island and railway line only) & Kings Norton 2pm, Sunday 26th November 2pm Yardley, Wythall and Robin Hood.

November 2pm Yardley, Wythall and Robin Hood. **REMEMBRANCE SERVICE** - This year our parish will help lead the service at the war memorial by the library in Acocks Green on Saturday 11th November at 10.45am. Please do try and be there if you can.

### OTHER PARISH NEWS AND INFORMATION

**SAFEGUARDING:** The Parish of Sacred Heart and Holy Souls operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Aldora Johnson. They can be contacted at: sg.holysouls.bham@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/ safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.

**SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION** - For children not in Catholic schools. Saturday mornings in the Parish Meeting Room. First Holy Communion (Year 3 & above) 10am-11.00am, Confirmation (Year 6 & above) 11.15am-12.15pm.

**HEATING SEASON** - The heating season has now opened in church as autumn creeps in! Last autumn/winter our gas bill for the church heating for the church was £1000 per month. We are grateful for any additional donations towards heating costs.

**PARISH TOTE** - The winning numbers are **4**, **8**, **14**, **24**. No Jackpot winner. 4 people had 3 numbers and receives £45 each – Tony Doyle, John Fitzgerald, Paul Reid, David O'Reilly. Jackpot next week is £2,000 and will be drawn on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November, 2023 in the Social Club.

**FLOWER ARRANGERS** - One more willing volunteer has signed the list to help. Are there any others? Please sign list in the porch.

**THE FLAME OF LOVE PRAYER** - Please see the prayer cards available for the Flame of Love of the Immaculate Heart of Mary praying especially for the Holy Souls.

#### REACHING OUT TO OTHERS

**LEISURE CLUB -** There will be no meeting of the Leisure Club this week because of the half term break. We will be back on the 7th November.

**SVP** - Our parish conference is working hard to support families in need and visiting many people in the parish. There is a lot to do! We would welcome new members. Would you be interested in devoting a little time to visiting people or to helping with some projects for those in need? Please call Mike from the SVP on 07983160730 to find out more, or speak to Fr Jonathan or Fr Marco.

**PARISH CHRISTMAS LUNCH** - <u>Sunday 10th November 2pm</u> in Holy Souls Social Club with a four course Christmas meal. Tickets are £20 each. They will be available from this weekend.

#### HOLY SOULS SOCIAL CLUB

**THIS SATURDAY -** Entertainment with *Pub Crawl* tonight from 8pm onwards. come and enjoy a fun and relaxing evening.

**THURSDAY EVENING BINGO AND TOTE DRAW** - From 8pm. lt could be your lucky night!

**BOOKING THE CLUB** - The Social Club is becoming a very popular local venue for many social events. Contact Clair to discuss and book your event: 07704941659 / 706-6358, Email: info@holysoulssocialclub.co.uk.

#### AND FINALLY...

Apologies but there is no Mass on Friday morning this week. Let's keep up our prayers for peace in the world, especially for the Holy Land and Ukraine, and please also pray for the Pope's Intention for the month of November: that he continues to accompany the flock of the Church with the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

We wish you a blessed Sunday & a good week ahead! Fr Jonathan & Fr Marco

Recently Deceased: Mary Martin, Enda McInerney.

Anniversaries: Charles O'Donnell, Thomas Pedreschi, Michael Coughlan, Michael O'Grady and Thomas Duffy, Patrick Hoey, Margaret Mary Galvin, Eileen Cemm, Edward McCarthy, James Healy, Brendan Connolly Teresa Cloonan, Kevin Foley, Jenny Foley.

Sick & Housebound: David Cross, Ann Whiston, Tom Foley, Mary Doherty, Maureen Fox, Margaret Norris, William Moran, Patrick Collins, Sue Allen, Mary O'Driscoll, Jean Taylor, Mary Lloyd, Julia Donovan, Paddy Mitchell, Julia Gilligan, Mary Pearmain, Kevin Creighton, Peter & Wendy Cain, Ron Powell, Moria Healy, Elizabeth Connaughton, Francis Mooney, Greg Boyle, Kathleen & Tom Connaughton, Kathleen Sommers, Elizabeth McMahon, Liam Lewis, Adam Bridgewater, May Fagan and Jacqueline Crawford, Fr Michael Ho,vJohn Farrell, Tasha Tibbetts.