

St Margaret Mary, Birmingham 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 19th November 2023

If you need detailed readings they are on p.155 of the books available from the back of church.

Priest: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen

Priest: The Lord be with you

All: And with your Spirit.

Confiteor: I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Priest: May Almighty God have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen.**

Kyries

Gloria in excelsis Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, only begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us, you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer, you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

First reading: Proverbs 31.10-13, 19-20, 30-31. The description of a good wife – beyond the price of pearls.

Psalm Response: O blessed are those who fear the Lord.

Second reading: 1 Thessalonians 5.1-6. You do not live in the dark, you are sons of light.

Gospel Acclamation: (Please

stand): Even if you have to die, says the Lord, keep faithful; and I will give you the crown of life.

The Gospel: Matthew 25.14-30. *The parable of the talents.*

Homily

Apostles Creed I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only son, Our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Amen.

Bidding Prayers

Offertory

Pray Brethren that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the almighty Father. All: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

Sanctus: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The Mystery of faith: Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection, you have set us free.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those who are called to his supper of the Lamb. All: Lord I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Notices * Figures for 12/11/23, Gift Aid: £308.60, Loose: £239.72, Building Fund: £20; 2nd Collection, Ordinariate Clergy Training Fund: £104.54 Attendance: 197

*Many thanks to all who responded on **Pledge Sunday** with their pledges to resource God's mission in this parish. We have had 51 Pledges so far and the giving pledged amounts to over £600 per calendar month, which is great news. If you did not fill in a blue pledge card, they are still available form the back of church. This way we can continue to build a

thriving parish. All those who have filled a pledge card will receive a personal letter from our Treasurer, which will be available at the back of church.

- * November blessing of graves: Sutton(Rectory Rd)Sun 26 Nov 2pm
- * November mass for the Holy Souls envelopes are available at the altar rail.
- *Ukrainian icon prayer cards available at the altar rail. Let us not forget Ukraine as we continue to pray for the Holy Land.
- *The Confirmation Mass this year is on 28 November at 7pm with Bishop David Evans. Those Year 6 Confirmandi who are in St Margaret Mary School will be rehearsed during school time. All other 'external' candidates, that is those who do not attend our school, are to attend a rehearsal on Tuesday 22nd November at 7pm in church.

Please note: Confirmation cards, picture frames and rosaries available from the back of church.

*Looking ahead to Advent and Christmas, there are, at the back of church, Advent Calendars, 2024 Calendars, Christmas cards, Walk with Me' Advent Prayer books and other gifts for sale. There are also Cafod World Gifts catalogues available from the back of church.

*If you collect through the red box scheme (Missio/APF) to support the Holy Father's overseas work, please will you bring in your box today.

* Pope Francis' Apostleship of Prayer for November:

We pray for the Holy Father; as he fulfils his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit.

*Sycamore Course Autumn, 2023

Meetings take place in the Newman Gallery in Church (upstairs) on Wednesdays at 6pm - 7pm:

> 22/11, Forgiveness 29/11, Vocations 6/12 The Church

*CRIB OFFERINGS this Christmas: The Charity Friends of the Holy Land (FHL) will again receive crib offerings this year, to recognise the urgent needs of Christians in the land of our 'Mother Church' at this time of conflict. Funds can be paid to our Treasurer or via the Archdiocese or directly to FHL. The charity's bank details are as follows: Name: Friends of the Holy Land. Account: 24591211. Sort Code: 60-05-41. If anyone would like more information, contact: jen.hill@friendsoftheholyland.org.uk

or telephone 01926 512980.

*Prayers for the departed:

Celine Nganwuchi, Sister Mary Bernadette CHC, Michael Fahey, Annie Whelan, Ester Mutumwa, Noel Hand, Helen Thomas, Bernie Layden, John Lenehan, Stephen Jones, Fred Hall, Jason Murtagh, Christina Alice Timmins, Fr John Morley-Bunker, Pauline Cassidy, Mgr David Silk, Clare Banks, Elizabeth McKeever, Colder Graham, Fr Paul Chavasse, Cong. Orat., James Bailey, Joseph Shannon, Princes Chinwe Akigwe, Vivian Ellis, Jimmy Doyle, Martin John Leydon, Catherine Mary Jones, Edmund (Eamonn) Francis Loughlin RIP

THIS WEEK Saturday, 18th 11am Servers rehearsal for Advent and Christmas, followed by refreshments. 5.45pm-6.20pm Confessions. 6.30pm Vigil Mass (John Hunter RIP).

Sunday, 19th November 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time. 9.30am Mass (Elizabeth McKeever RIP) 11am Mass (David Healey RIP) & Baptism of Mark Mendy. 12.30pm Baptism of Grace Walker Hudson.

Monday, 20th 9.30am Mass at The Convent of the Sisters of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 99 Old Oscott Hill, Kingstanding. 6.30pm Adoration and Benediction. 7pm Mass (Patricia Comerford RIP).

Tuesday, 21st 8.55am Rosary. 9.15am Mass (Jack Forrest RIP). <u>5.30pm</u> Youth Club assemble for trip to Rep Theatre: The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe.

Wed, 22nd November. St Cecilia. #RedWednesday for Persecuted Christians. 8.35am Adoration and Benediction. 9.15am Mass (Alan RIP). 6pm Sycamore. 6.45pm Confirmation rehearsal for external (non St Margaret Mary School pupils) Confirmandi.

Friday, 24th St Andrew Dung Lac & Comp Martyrs. 9.15am Mass (Holy Souls).

Saturday, 25th 5.45pm-6.20pm Confessions. 6.30pm Vigil Mass (Paddy Charles RIP).

Sunday, 26th November **CHRIST THE KING. World Youth Sunday.** 9.30am Mass (Mario Romeiro RIP). 11am Mass (Barnabas Nchengha Agendia RIP). 2nd Collection for Catholic Youth Service. 12.30pm Baptism of Charlie Hayton.

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