Parishes of Holy Name and Our Lady & Saint Philomena

27 October 2024

Thirtieth Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year B)

I will gather them from the far ends of the earth, all of them: the blind and the lame, women with child, women in labour, a great company returning here. (Jeremiah 31:8)

Faith in Focus

Doom and gloom?

Jeremiah is often dubbed the prophet of doom. This is because he saw the faithlessness of Jerusalem and warned people that God would get fed up with them before long. When the Jews were deported to present-day Iraq his words were proved right in many people's minds.

Yet Jeremiah was not just an old misery. He was a prophet who spoke God's words to the people. And today we hear him speaking to those people in exile in Iraq. But he doesn't gloat. He offers them consolation, hope and support. He tells them that God will never abandon them completely but will gather them together and lead them home once more.

People who like things to be neat and tidy have problems with this side to God. They can accept that God has laws and is just. They are comfortable with people being punished who fall foul of the law. But they find it hard to cope with God relenting and letting people off. It clashes with their sense of justice.

God, however, always seems to relent when people sincerely approach him. And it seems that it's never too late to turn to God and to be led back into the fold once more. Maybe it's because God considers it more important for people to be repentant than to be punished. The returning exiles knew this only too well.

Whether it's the blind man Bartimaeus

who wants his sight restoring, or the helpless, the lame and the oppressed, it's in God's nature to want to heal and restore. Destroying people, even sinners, is not part of God's scheme.

Jeremiah promises that all who turn to God in faith will share in this joyful event of salvation and restoration. Doom and gloom, or something worth shouting about for the world today?

Pope's intention for October

For a shared mission

Let us pray that the Church continue to sustain a synodal lifestyle in every way, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, communion and mission shared by priests, religious and laity.

Votive lamps

This week, at Holy Name, the votive lamps burning either side of the Blessed Sacrament are for the intentions of Tommy Little and the deceased members of the Coleman and Scott families.

This week, at Our Lady & St Philomena, the votive lamp burning before the relic of St Philomena is for **special intentions.**

Family of parishes:
Blessed Sacrament, Holy Name and
Our Lady & St Philomena

Archdiocese of Liverpool Parishes of Holy Name and Our Lady & Saint Philomena

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Parish office at Holy Name: Open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 9.00 am to 12.30 pm, and 1.30 pm to 5.00 pm.

Baptisms: By prior arrangement.

Confessions: Holy Name on Saturday from 5.30 pm, Our Lady & St Philomena on Wednesday from 6.30 pm or by request.

Funerals and Marriages: By arrangement.

Rosary: Before each weekday Mass.

Novena: After Wednesday evening Mass at

Our Lady & St Philomena.

Exposition: Holy Name, Thursday at 9.15 am

Visits to sick and housebound: Please

contact the parish office.

Hospital visits: If you wish to see a priest,

please let the hospital staff know.

Mass requests: Please complete the preprinted envelopes and place in the Mass intention box. Please also specify the reason for the intention, i.e. lately dead, anniversary etc. For a particular day, please request early. To enable more Mass intentions to be said in the parish and not sent away, the Mass may be shared unless you request otherwise.

Newsletter notices: Please e-mail to holyname@rcaol.org.uk or hand in to the Parish Office by Thursday morning.

Repository: Open before and after Mass.



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Readings at Mass

Scan the QR code for the Mass readings.

1st reading: Jeremiah 31:7-9 2nd reading: Hebrews 5:1-6

Gospel: Mark 10:46-52



What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed, we were glad.

Thank you

Your offerings this week total £912.86 and for APF World Missions £402.90.

Baptism

Congratulations to Briannah Mboini Eyong Besong and Carlos Alex Bolivar Danza who receive the sacrament of baptism at Holy Name on Sunday 27 October.

Welcome

We welcome Evie Paula Bennett and Savanagh Andrews to Mass at Holy Name this weekend as they will receive the sacrament of baptism after Mass on Sunday 3 November.

Holyday of obligation

The Mass of All Saints on Friday 1 November will be celebrated with morning Mass at Our Lady & St Philomena at 10 am and evening Mass at Holy Name at 6 pm.

Mass on All Souls Day

On Saturday 2 November, Mass will be celebrated at Holy Name and Our Lady & St Philomena at 12.30pm.

Table top sale

The SVP are holding a tabletop sale at Holy Name Parish Club on Saturday 23 November from 12 noon to 3 pm.

As well as 'bring & buy' there will be a tombola and refreshments of tea, coffee, cake and biscuits.

Youth Pilgrimage to Lourdes

Each year hundreds of young people from year 10 and above travel on pilgrimage to Lourdes to help those who are less able, to make friendships and be a part of a vibrant and living Church.

For further information on the 2025 youth pilgrimage to Lourdes and to apply go to https://liverpoollourdesyouth.co.uk

Mass at the hospital

Following the appointment of Fr Anthony, Mass will be celebrated at Aintree and Fazakerley hospital each Sunday at 9.30 am.

My Day by Day

The November 'My Day by Day' booklets are available in church.

Social evening

The social committee are holding a social evening in the Russell Room at Our Lady & St Philomena on Friday 22 November. Doors open at 7 pm, £5 entry. See Fran Green or Pat Dower for more details.

Holy Souls – Pious List

November is the month of the Holy Souls when we pray for those who have 'gone before us marked with the Sign of Faith'.

If you wish to remember your loved ones, families and friends at the November Masses please place their names in the envelopes available in church. Masses celebrated in November will be offered for our November dead 'Pious List'.

Donations will be used as stipends for the Masses and will also enable us throughout the year to have Masses celebrated for the Holy Souls.

SVP meeting

The parish SVP group meet on Tuesday 29 October at 7 pm in the Upper Room at Holy Name. Everyone welcome.

Piety stall and Christmas

Christmas items including a good selection of cards are now available. New stock arriving regularly.

Arranging a baptism

Baptism is celebrated at Holy Name on the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th Sunday of each month at 12.15 pm.

Baptism is celebrated at St Philomena on the 2nd Saturday of the month at 11 am.

Baptism preparation meetings are held on the 1st Saturday of the month at 11 am at Holy Name Church.

The next baptism preparation meeting is Saturday 2 November.

Baptism application forms available from Fr Mark after Mass or the parish office.

Further details are on the parish website.

Numbers galore

Numbers are 7 and 15. One winner.

Recruitment

The archdiocese is recruiting a choral director, choir chaperones, a maintenance assistant and an income generation & development officer. To apply https://liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/careers

Parish office

Due to holidays, the parish office will be closed from Monday 28 October to Friday 1 November. The office will reopen on Monday 4 November.

We remember in our prayers those who have died recently

Patricia 'Patsy' Morrison, Joseph Hagan, Frederick Cotterell, Geraldine McIntyre, Rose Tully, Patrick 'Pat' King, Margaret Robinson, David Crennell, Terence Dutton

May they rest in peace

Day	Time	Church	Intention			
Thirtieth Sunday of Ordinary Time						
Saturday 26th	5.30 pm	Holy Name	Confessions until 5.50 pm			
	6.00 pm	Holy Name	Paul Gavin, lately dead Mrs Irene Cox, anniversary of death			
	9.30 am	St Philomena	Jean England, Katie Ord and John Ord, anniversaries			
Sunday 27th	9.30 am	Hospital	Michael Gerard, RIP			
Suriday 27 tri	11.00 am	Holy Name	Edward Roche (Ted), 3 rd anniversary of death People of our Parishes			
Monday 28th			No service			
Tuesday 29th	10.00 am	Holy Name	Sally Carney, lately dead The Reynolds family			
Wednesday 30th	10.00 am	Holy Name	Linda Cash, lately dead Chris and family, special intention			
	10.30 am	St Philomena	Requiem Mass: Patricia 'Patsy' Morrison, RIP			
	1.00 pm	Holy Name	Funeral: Patrick 'Pat' King, RIP			
	6.30 pm	St Philomena	Confessions until 6.50 pm			
	7.00 pm	St Philomena	Paul Gavin, lately dead Patrick Joseph O'Reilly, anniv			
Thursday 31st	9.15 am	Holy Name	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament			
	10.00 am	Holy Name	Marie Disley, special intention			
	6.00 pm	Holy Name	Mass for Filipino Community			
Friday 1st Holyday of obligation	10.00 am	St Philomena	Bernadette and Robert Glorman, special intentions			
	6.00 pm	Holy Name	Mark Jones, lately dead Fred Spike, get well			
Thirty First Sunday of Ordinary Time						
Saturday 2nd All Souls	12.30 pm	Holy Name	All Souls			
	12.30 pm	St Philomena	All Souls			
	5.30 pm	Holy Name	Confessions until 5.50 pm			
	6.00 pm	Holy Name	Kevin Connell, lately dead David Crennell, lately dead			
Sunday 3rd	9.30 am	St Philomena	People of our Parishes Jimmy O'Donovan, RIP			
	9.30 am	Hospital	Philip Joseph Ellis, lately dead			
	11.00 am	Holy Name	Dave Lamont, lately dead Jason Morland			



Standing Order

Liverpool		Mandate
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