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The Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham: registered charity no. 234216

THE XXIX SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 19th October 2025

Holy Mass

Saturday for Sunday

5:30pm Vigil Mass

Intention

Mollie Cahillane &
Deceased Finneran Family.

SUNDAY

9:00am Holy Mass

11:00am Solemn Mass

Mary & Jimmy Early RIP.
Anna & Tom O'Keefe.

Weekday Masses

Monday 20th

---- NO Mass

Tuesday 21st

---- NO Mass

Wednesday 22nd Saint John Paul, Pope

---- NO Mass

Thursday 23rd

---- NO Mass

Friday 24th

---- NO Mass

Saturday 25th

---- NO Morning Mass

1:00pm Nuptial Mass

Sian Jones & Eamon McFall

THE XXX SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

5:30pm Vigil Mass

Maureen Gaffney RIP Anniv

SUNDAY 26th

9:00am Holy Mass

John Salt RIP Anniv

11:00am Solemn Mass

Martin O'Meara RIP Anniv

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday NO Morning Confessions 4:45pm – 5:15pm

Rosary Monday – Friday before the morning Mass

Divine Mercy - During Adoration on Fridays

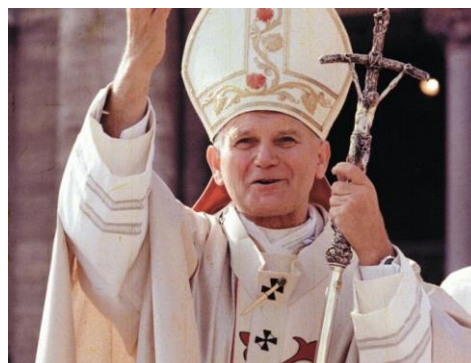
Thank you

I am very grateful for all your kindness last Sunday and the beautiful presentation you gave me after the Solemn Mass last Sunday. That was a great surprise! Thank you for so many kind words and for all your prayers and for your generosity. It was very kind of you.

I will keep you all in my prayers. Stay close to the Lord Jesus.

In Domino.

Fr Christopher



POPE SAINT JOHN PAUL

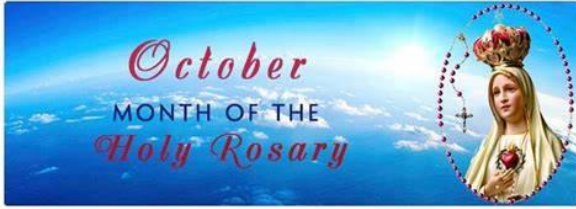
"Be not afraid!"

In 1978, Albino Luciani was elected Pope John Paul I, but died a month later. The shocked Cardinals entered a conclave to elect a pope for the second time in a year. Thousands of people's attention was riveted on St. Peter's when the new pope's name was announced, then people turned to one another in confusion: Who? A non-Italian? For the first time in 455 years?

The new Pope "from a far country" had been prepared for his task through his own suffering and the suffering of his people. He knew what it was to face fear. So, on October 22, 1978, at the inaugural Mass of his pontificate, Pope John Paul II cried out to the whole world, "Do not be afraid! Open wide the doors to Christ!" To Christ in whom alone the human being understands himself, to Christ the Redeemer of Man.

THANK YOU TO THE PRIESTS HELPING THIS WEEKEND

We welcome Fr Paul Smith who is celebrating the Saturday evening Mass. Also to Canon Mickael Dolman the Rector of Oscott who is celebrating the Sunday Masses. We are very grateful to them for their help.



POPE’S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR OCTOBER

For collaboration between different religious traditions

Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice, and human fraternity.

Recently Deceased – May they rest in peace

Fr Anthony Rohan. Fr Paul Johnson, Mary Donnelly Aidan Lawless, Fr Noel Breslin

THE SANCTUARY LAMPS This week are sponsored in memory of Jack & Mollie Cahillane.

Please use envelopes provided for Mass Intentions and Sanctuary Lamp sponsorship.

WEEKLY GIVING TO THE CHURCH

05.10.25 - Gift Aid: £148.00. Non-Gift Aid: £514.26. Total: £662.26
12.10.25 - Gift Aid: £183.00. Non-Gift Aid: £412.08 Total: £595.08

SECOND COLLECTIONS

Cafod – Harvest Fast - £328.05
This Weekend –APF World Mission.
02.11 – Johnson Association.

PIETY STALL

A beautiful selection of Christmas Cards and gifts now available. Please come and have a browse. We are open before and after all weekend Masses, 5:30pm Saturday, 9:00am & 11:00am Sunday. The Piety Shop helps to support the work of our parish so everything you purchase helps.

PARISH OFFICE - PLEASE NOTE - Whilst waiting for the appointment of a new parish priest, the presbytery will be closed. Any enquiries please telephone 0121 743 2367. If no answer please leave a message. You can also Email: stthomasmore.bham@rcaob.org.uk

If you need a priest in an emergency please Contact: **Sacred Heart & Holy Souls** on 0121 706 0800 or **Olton Friary** on 0121 706 0505.

SAFEGUARDING

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Sue Nightingale. They can be contacted at: sg.stthomasmore.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.

PARISH DIARY

November

Saturday 1st **The Solemnity of All Saints**
Vigil Mass 5:30pm
Sunday 2nd Masses 9:00am & 11:00am
Monday 3rd All Souls



Please return your Missio Red Boxes for counting as soon as possible. Thank You.

Missionaries of Hope among all Peoples' World Mission Sunday: 19 October 2025

On World Mission Sunday, the whole Church unites in prayer and generosity to support Catholic communities across the world facing poverty, conflict, and hardship.

Pope Francis chose 'Missionaries of Hope Among All Peoples' as this year's theme, reminding us of our call to be messengers and builders of hope in this Jubilee Year. Rooted in Christ's resurrection, this hope has the power to transform lives and heal our world.

Prayers and donations on this day directly sustain young and struggling faith communities, support vocations, and enable missionaries to bring the Gospel to remote and often dangerous places. Together, we help communities grow in faith, dignity, and self-reliance.

This day of prayer and giving unites Catholics worldwide to share the Good News of God's love for all peoples. Thank you for your continued support of Missio.

For more information, please visit missio.org.uk

BAPTISM PREPARATION

This is an important part of getting ready for the actual celebration of Holy Baptism. The next meeting is **Tuesday 11th November**, at 6:30pm, after the evening Mass.



PARISH CHRISTMAS BAZAAR - Saturday 15th November

We are urgently looking for donations of Bottles, Chocolates and Gifts for all the Tombola's and Bric-a-brac. Items can be left in the church porch after the weekend Masses.

A Wishlist has also been put up in the porch. Please indicate if you are able to help.



ST. THOMAS MORE'S PARISH TOTE - JACKPOT £250

Result for 08.10.25 - **Winning Numbers 23-04-16-21**

Result for 15.10.25 - **Winning Numbers 04-20-13-16**

Next Draw Wednesday 10:00AM