St Nicholas Catholic Church, Boldmere

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The Introductory Rites

Opening Song

Dear Lord and Father of mankind,
Forgive our foolish ways!
Reclothe us in our rightful mind,
In purer lives Thy service find,
In deeper reverence, praise.

In simple trust like theirs who heard
Beside the Syrian sea
The gracious calling of the Lord,
Let us, like them, without a word
Rise up and follow Thee.

Drop Thy still dews of quietness,
Till all our strivings cease;
Take from our souls the strain and stress,
And let our ordered lives confess
The beauty of Thy peace.

Breathe through the heats of our desire
Thy coolness and Thy balm;
Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;
Speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,
O still, small voice of calm.

Gloria

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. *Glory to God...*

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. *Glory to God...*

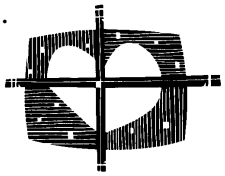
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. *Glory to God...* Amen. Amen. Amen.

The Collect

The Liturgy of the Word

1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a

In those days: Elijah reached Horeb, the mount of God. There he came to a cave and lodged in it. And behold, the word of the Lord came to him. And he said, 'Go out and stand on the mount before the Lord.' And behold, the Lord passed by, and a great and strong wind tore the mountains and broke in pieces the rocks before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind. And after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake. And after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire. And after the fire the sound of a low whisper. And when Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave.



August 2026: Parish Masses This week

Sa	**8**	6pm	**19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**	Alice Lavinia Makepeace RIP (M)
Su	**9**	9am		For the parish
		11am		Stephen Baird RD (Burke)
M	**10**	10am	Saint Laurence	Mario Cerneiro (Carneiro)
T	**11**	10am	Saint Clare	Peter & Juliana Caston & fam RIP
W	**12**	3pm	*Mass at Boldmere Crt*	Ints Dorothy Bayross
Th	**13**			
F	**14**	7pm	St Maximilan Kolbe	Souls of friends and relations
S	**15**	6pm	**ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**	Stuart Baird RD
Su	**16**	9am		For the parish
		11am		Ints of McDermott family

Anointing of the Sick: Next celebration is 10am on 19th August

Sacrament of Confession: Fri 19.30 until 20.00; Sat 5.30-5.45

Please pray for those who are sick: Stephen Gateley, Rita Rhodes, Mary Daniels, Brenda Davies, Lesley Devlin, Margaret Reeves. **Please pray** for Krzyztof Starzaewski and all whose anniversary occurs at this time. ***Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, may they rest in peace.***

PARISH CAR PARK 1 hour's free parking is available for anyone at anytime in our carpark. Automatic free parking is available too on **Sat** 5.30pm to 7.30pm; **Sunday** 8am to 2pm; **Mon, Tues, Weds** 9.30am to 11.30am; and **Fri** 6.30pm to 8.30pm. *At other times, please - if in church or here for meetings - please use the QR code to extend your 'free' parking time.*

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocesan policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Mary Rose.She can be contacted at:sg.stnicholas.boldmere@rcaob.org.uk Alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 or safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk

Ps 85(84):9ab, 10. 11-12. 13-14

I will hear what the Lord God speaks;
he speaks of peace for his people and his faithful.
His salvation is near for those who fear him,
and his glory will dwell in our land.

Mercy and faithfulness have met;
justice and peace have kissed.
Faithfulness shall spring from the earth,
and justice look down from heaven.

The Lord will bestow his bounty,
and our earth shall yield its increase.
Righteousness will march before him,
and guide his steps on the way.

Romans 9:1-5

Brothers and Sisters: I am speaking the truth in Christ. I am not lying. My conscience bears me witness in the Holy Spirit — that I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my brothers and sisters, my kinsmen according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises. To them belong the patriarchs, and from their race, according to the flesh, is the Christ, who is God over all, blessed for ever. Amen.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia. **I long for you, O Lord, my soul longs for his word.** ***Alleluia.***

Matthew 14:22-33

After the crowd had eaten and were satisfied: Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but the boat by this time was a long way from the land, beaten by the waves, for the wind was against them. And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, 'It is a ghost!' and they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, 'Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid.' And Peter answered him, 'Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.' He said, 'Come.' So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, 'Lord, save me.' Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, 'O you of little faith, why did you doubt?' And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshipped him, saying, 'Truly you are the Son of God.'

Homily

The 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 God 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.

Prayer of the Faithful

All: Through our lives and by our prayers,
your kingdom come.

The Liturgy of the Eucharist

The Offertory

In the Lord I'll be ever thankful,
in the Lord I will rejoice!
Look to him, do not be afraid, in him rejoicing:
the Lord is near; in him rejoicing: the Lord is near.

The Eucharistic Prayer

Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of hosts.
Heaven and earth and full are full of your glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest
Blessed is he who comes,
who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna...

The mystery of faith

Save us, save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

The Communion Rite

Communion thanksgiving

Jesus, name above all names,
Beautiful Saviour, glorious Lord.
Emmanuel, God is with us.
Blessed Redeemer, Living word.

Prayer after Communion

Concluding Rites

Blessing and Dismissal

Catholic Culture Club

Coming to Sweeney Todd on Tuesday? Email Fr Allen with your choice of half time drink.

Been to see Sweeney? You are very welcome to gather on Friday evening in the Benedict Room, to share views and thoughts on the show - and what it teach about grace and sin.