



# St Nicholas Catholic Church, Boldmere

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## Proverbs 9:1-6

Wisdom has built herself a house, she has erected her seven pillars, she has slaughtered her beasts, prepared her wine, she has laid her table. She has despatched her maid-servants and proclaimed from the city's heights: 'Who is ignorant? Let him step this way.' To the fool she says, 'Come and eat my bread, drink the wine I have prepared! Leave your folly and you will live, walk in the ways of perception.'

## Psalm 33(34):2-3,10-15

*Taste and see that the Lord is good.*

I will bless the Lord at all times,  
 his praise always on my lips;  
 in the Lord my soul shall make its boast.  
 The humble shall hear and be glad.

Revere the Lord, you his saints.  
 They lack nothing, those who revere  
 him. strong lions suffer want and go  
 hungry but those who seek the Lord  
 lack no blessing.

Come, children, and hear me  
 that I may teach you the fear of  
 the Lord.

Who is he who longs for life  
 and many days, to enjoy his  
 prosperity?

Then keep your tongue from  
 evil and your lips from speaking  
 deceit.

Turn aside from evil and do  
 good; seek and strive after peace.

## Ephesians 5:15-20

Be very careful about the sort of  
 lives you lead, like intelligent and  
 not like senseless people. This  
 may be a wicked age, but you re-  
 deem it. And do not be thought-  
 less but recognise what is the will  
 of the Lord. Do not drug your-  
 selves with wine, this is simply  
 dissipation; be filled with the  
 Spirit. Sing the words and tunes  
 of the psalms and hymns when  
 you are together, and go on sing-  
 ing and chanting to the Lord in



## Pray with Pope Francis

The Pope's prayer intention for August is the treasure of families: that any far-reaching decisions of economists and politicians may protect the family as one of the treasures of humanity.



To find the Pope's other current prayer intentions please visit <http://www.apostleshipofprayer.org/>

## Masses Weeks 20 -22 in Ordinary Time

<b>S</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>Sunday of 20th Week in Ordinary Time</b> <i>Psalter Wk 4</i>	1700 1800	No Exposition or Confessions (this week only) Kathe and George Eaton RIP
<b>Su</b>	<b>19</b>		0900 1100	For the parish Dominic and Zofia Paszkowski RIP Anniv (Atkins)
<b>M</b>	<b>20</b>	<i>St Bernard</i>	1000	Mona Blanche Williams RIP
<b>T</b>	<b>21</b>	<i>St Pius X</i>	1000	Kathe and George Eaton RIP
<b>W</b>	<b>22</b>	<i>Queenship of Mary</i>	1000	Aileen Rotheram Int (Wilkinson)
<b>Th</b>	<b>23</b>	<i>St John Wall</i>	1000	
<b>F</b>	<b>24</b>	<i>St Bartholomew</i>	1000	
<b>S</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>Sunday of 21st Week in Ordinary Time</b> <i>Psalter Wk 1</i>	1700 1800	Exposition and Sacrament of Confession Josephine Garvey RD (Brennan)
<b>Su</b>	<b>26</b>		0900 1100	For the parish Thomas Kelly RIP
<b>S</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Sunday of 22nd Week in Ordinary Time</b> <i>Psalter Wk 2</i>	1700 1800	Exposition and Sacrament of Confession For the parish
<b>Su</b>	<b>2</b>		0900 1100	Tommy McCormack RD (Drozd) Michael Lawlor RIP (Lawlor)

**Please pray for sick parishioners** including Bernadette Evans, Margaret Stroud, Gino Mastroianni, Jude Turner, Margaret O'Gorman, Peter & Olwyn Foster, Mary Gavin, Frank Kemp, Brenda Davies; Leah Burke, Tess Carnero, Joan James, Sarah Johnston, Bridie Moffatt, Bernie Morton, Danuta Evans, Michael McDermott - and Fr Gabriel Maguire, our Dean. **Please pray for** Kathleen Mullaney, Kathe Eaton, Margaret Archer, Dorothy Dodson, Brian Short, Joan Hudson, Fazia Caulfield, Denis Joyner, Tadas Serafinas, Freda Gateley, Agnes Collins, Ben Quirke, Robert Harrison and all whose anniversaries are at this time. **Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, may they rest in peace.**

## Parish

**ADOREMUS** If you have booked to attend *Adoremus* your tickets will be sent to you mid August. **If you have NOT already received your tickets by 24 August please contact Paul Northam on 0121 360 8118 (ext. 166) or [fieldevang@maryvale.ac.uk](mailto:fieldevang@maryvale.ac.uk)**

**ac.uk** Let him know you are part of the parish booking from St Nicholas.

**First Communion & Confirmation 2018-19** Application forms and details of next year's parish programmes are available in the porch. Details of the catechesis for the children, at Catholic school and not, will be available at a later date.

**Preparation for Baptism of Infants.** The next preparation programme begins Sat 22 September from 11-12noon, in the Benedict Room. Pl see Fr Allen before hand and complete an application form.

**School carpark.** Please note that as previously advised, the school carpark is closed this weekend and next.

## Diocese

**Safeguarding** The Archbishop has commissioned a review of safeguarding/child protection practices in light of the National Catholic Policies and Procedures. This review is to ensure that our systems to protect our children and young people are as effective as possible. It is being conducted by an independent charity called SCIE (Social Care Institute for Excellence). SCIE would like to speak with any individuals with experience with any safeguarding issues within the Archdiocese, and who have experience of working with our parish safeguarding representatives/safeguarding team at the Archdiocese. Anyone impacted by abuse issues can contact the safeguarding team on 0121 230 6240 (emergency out of hours 07976 516629). If you can contribute to this review please contact Hugh Constant ([Hugh.Constant@scie.org.uk](mailto:Hugh.Constant@scie.org.uk) or 020 7766 7374 or 07872 602207).

## Take your part in Mass when on holiday

It has never been easier to find out the times of masses and the locations of churches. Your reliable friend is Google! Just type in Catholic churches in X, (ie the place you are visiting.) You will probably get a list of churches and a map. If you are lucky the website of each church will come up too, and that is where you will be able to check Mass times quickly and easily.

Many churches will provide you with the Sunday readings in English, but if they don't then why not get the Universalis App for your phone. It gives you the readings of the Mass for each day in English, and also the Order of Mass in English and in the major European languages as well as in some African and Indian languages. It is also a helpful spiritual resource for all year round.



## Parish Outing: Tues 18 September



**Parish outing** Visit to copies of Serbian medieval fresco from the monasteries of Kosovo and Metohija, and to the beautifully decorated Serbian Orthodox church of St Lazar, Bournville. (Admission £5 or £3 for over-65s). Meet at 92 Griffins Brook Lane, B'ham, B30 1QG at 12 noon.

## For the sick and those who care for them

A simple and brief monthly service of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, with prayer for the sick and for carers, and the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. Followed by light lunch.

**11am on First Fridays (usually). Next service is Sept 28th**

**Would you like to be part of a parish group offering hospitality to local people wanting time and space just to chill out.**

Mondays 10.30-1.30 and the Benedict Room are available for us to offer care and welcome. Want to help? See Fr Allen!



your hearts, so that always and everywhere you are giving thanks to God who is our Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

## Gospel Acclamation

*Alleluia, alleluia!* The Word was made flesh and lived among us: to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God. *Alleluia!*

## John 6:51-58

Jesus said to the crowd:

'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven.

Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world.'

Then the Jews started arguing with one another: 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' they said.

Jesus replied: 'I tell you most solemnly, if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will not have life in you.

Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life, and I shall raise him up on the last day.

For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink.

He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him.

As I, who am sent by the living Father, myself draw life from the Father, so whoever eats me will draw life from me. This is the bread come down from heaven; not like the bread our ancestors ate: they are dead, but anyone who eats this bread will live for ever.'

Children in families that rely on free school meals are going hungry during the summer when there is no school. If you can donate to our local food bank that will be much appreciated: They are asking especially for tins of tomatoes / rice pudding / fruit / custard / soup / fish; packet rice; uht milk; sugar; toilet rolls. If you can help please leave food in the porch on Saturday or Sunday morning.

## Next Sunday is the 22nd in Ordinary Time

*Readings: Isaiah 35:4 - 7 / Psalm 146:7-10 / James*

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**The Ordinary of the Mass** is found on p200 ff of *Laudate*.

**Gloria, Holy, Memorial Acclamation and Lamb of God** used in Ordinary Time are nos 101 ff in *Laudate*.