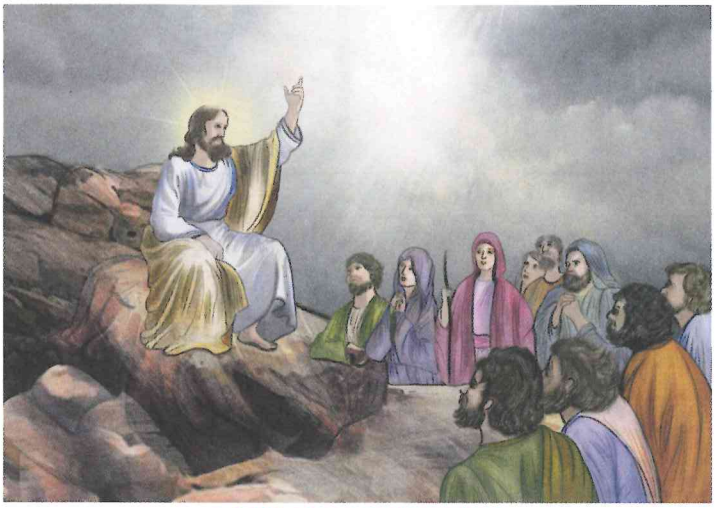


ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

**Let us all rejoice in the Lord,
as we celebrate the feast day in honour of all the Saints,
at whose festival the Angels rejoice
and praise the Son of God.**

COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God,
by whose gift we venerate in one celebration
the merits of all the Saints,
bestow on us, we pray,
through the prayers of so many intercessors,
an abundance of the reconciliation with you
for which we earnestly long.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

FIRST READING

A reading from the Book of Revelation.
'Behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages.' *7:2-4, 9-14*
I, John, saw another angel ascending from the rising of the sun, with the seal of the living God, and he called with a loud voice to the four angels who had been given power to harm earth and sea, saying, 'Do not harm the earth or the sea or the trees, until we have sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads.' And I heard the number of the sealed, one hundred and forty-four thousand, sealed from every tribe of the sons of Israel.

After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, 'Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!' And all the angels were standing round the throne and round the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, saying, 'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.'

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?' I said to him, 'Sir, you know.' And he said to me, 'These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.'

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps. 24(23)

Such are the people who seek your face, O Lord.
The LORD's is the earth and its fullness,
the world, and those who dwell in it.
It is he who set it on the seas;
on the rivers he made it firm. **R.**

Who shall climb the mountain of the LORD?
Who shall stand in his holy place?
The clean of hands and pure of heart,
whose soul is not set on vain things. **R.**

Blessings from the LORD shall he receive,
and right reward from the God who saves him.
Such are the people who seek him,
who seek the face of the God of Jacob. **R.**

SECOND READING

A reading from the First Letter of Saint John.
'We shall see God as he is.' *3:1-3*
Beloved: See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia, alleluia.
Come to me, all who labour and are heavy laden, says the Lord,
and I will give you rest.
Alleluia.**

GOSPEL

The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.
A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.
Glory to you, O Lord.
'Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven.' *5:1-12a*
At that time: Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him. And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying: 'Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied. Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven.'

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

May these offerings we bring in honour of all the Saints
be pleasing to you, O Lord,
and grant that, just as we believe the Saints
to be already assured of immortality,
so we may experience their concern for our salvation.
Through Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

**Blessed are the clean of heart, for they shall see God.
Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they shall be called children of God.
Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

As we adore you, O God, who alone are holy
and wonderful in all your Saints,
we implore your grace,
so that, coming to perfect holiness in the fullness of your love,
we may pass from this pilgrim table
to the banquet of our heavenly homeland.
Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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MASSES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK		
Sat 31st	4.00 pm	Myles & Lloyd Families Deceased
Sun 1st	10.30 am	People of the Parish
Mon 2nd	10.30 am	Philip Dale (Anniversary)
Tues 3rd	10.30 am	Michael Raughter RIP
Wed 4th	10.30 am	Donald Sullivan RIP
Thurs 5th	10.30 am	Margaret Quinn RIP w/ HF School
Fri 6th	10.30 am	Vera Farrell (Intentions)
Sat 7th	4.00 pm	John Finlan (Anniversary)
Sun 8th	10.30 am	Sylvia Curran (Anniversary)

OFFERTORY COLLECTION: £360.08
SECOND COLLECTION: £151.64 (Church Maintenance)

Would the parishioner using No 35 Gift Aid envelope please see May. We need your details to claim the Gift Aid. Thank you.

1st November 2026: Solemnity of All Saints

FEASTS:

Monday	All Souls
Tuesday	St Martin de Porres
Wednesday	St Charles Borromeo
Sunday	**32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Adoration & Confession: Tuesday & Thursday (9.30 am – 10.20 am)

Altar Lamp – Myles & Lloyd Families Deceased
Our Lady's Lamp – People of the Parish

ANNIVERSARIES: Anne Phillips, Martin Goron, George McFarlane, Noreen Brosnahan, Denise Jeavons, Philip Dale, Bridget Kinsella, Maureen O'Malley, Mary Pavlou, Kevin Connolly, Thomas Tully, Mary Eggar, Bill Foley, Margaret Mullaney, Robert Lomax, Matt Goodall, James Rafferty, Cyril Clinton, Gerry Fitzsimmons, Anne Brady, Reginald Seeney, Joseph Hennessy, John Ownsworth, Josephine Allen.

SICK LIST: Anselm John Baptiste, Fr Morty O'Shea, John Garvey, Cath McGrath, Amie Faulkner, Clare Bergin, John Leo Daly, Fr Michael White, Everly Arnold, Eileen Carter, Dennis Moloney, Josephine Mary Doyle, Eddie Dunne.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER: For the proper use of wealth. Let us pray for the proper use of wealth, that, not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service of the common good and solidarity of those who have less.

SECOND COLLECTION: Johnson Association (retired and infirm clergy). **NEXT WEEKEND:** Appeal by Holy Family Sisters.

HOLY SOULS: Please find slips at the back of the Church where you may write the names of your departed loved ones to be remembered in Masses during the month of November. Please return the slips to the basket provided. Thank you.

RCIA PROGRAMME: We hope to commence this programme this week on the 5th of November at 5.00 pm. If you are enquiring about the Catholic faith or know someone interested in this programme, please see Father Fretch. Thank you.

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY: Our annual Bazaar will take place on Saturday 5th December 2026 in Holy Family School Hall. Bottles, New/Nearly New gifts are greatly appreciated. There will also be a Raffle – tickets will be available later.

ST THOMAS MORE'S Afternoon Tea raised an amazing £2,000.00. Thank you to parishioners who supported it.

BLESSING OF GRAVES: Sunday 1st November: Brandwood End & Woodlands both at 2pm and Rectory Road (RC Sutton Coldfield) at 2.30pm; Saturday 7th: Oscott 3pm, Sunday 8th: Widney Manor (1) at 2pm; Sunday 15th Widney Manor (2) at 2pm; Sunday 15th New Hall (Sutton Coldfield) at 2pm; Sunday 15th Witton at 2pm; Sunday 15th Erdington Abbey at 3pm; Sunday 22nd Robin Hood at 2pm;

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Divine Jesus, Son of the eternal Father and Mary Immaculate, grant us and all the faithful true generosity in following your call and bestow on us the grace of your Holy Spirit to persevere in overcoming all obstacles to our vocations. Give the Church in this Diocese and throughout the world many holy priests, fervent religious and committed lay people. Through the intercession of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary, all the Angels, Saint Justin, and all Saints, we humbly ask you to hear our prayers and multiply the ministries by which we may serve You and one another in faith and love. Amen

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

"O my God and my all, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, may your will be done, your love reign, your glory shine always more in me and everyone as in yourself, O my God and my all." (Saint Justin Russolillo, SDV)

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