



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

**O sing a new song to the Lord,
for he has worked wonders;
in the sight of the nations
he has shown his deliverance, alleluia**

COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God,
constantly accomplish the Paschal Mystery within us,
that those you were pleased to make new in Holy Baptism
may, under your protective care, bear much fruit
and come to the joys of life eternal.
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 Acts of the Apostles.

'They declared to the Church all that God had done with them.'
14:21-27

In those days: Paul and Barnabas returned to Lystra and to Iconium and to Antioch, strengthening the souls of the disciples, encouraging them to continue in the faith, and saying that through many tribulations we must enter the kingdom of God. And when they had appointed elders for them in every church, with prayer and fasting they committed them to the Lord in whom they had believed. Then they passed through Pisidia and came to Pamphylia. And when they had spoken the word in Perga, they went down to Attalia, and from there they sailed to Antioch, where they had been commended to the grace of God for the work that they had fulfilled. And when they arrived and gathered the church together, they declared all that God had done with them, and how he had opened a door of faith to the Gentiles.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**I will bless your name for ever, my God and king.
or: Alleluia.**

The LORD is kind and full of compassion,
slow to anger, abounding in mercy.
How good is the LORD to all,
compassionate to all his creatures. **R.**

All your works shall thank you, O LORD,
and all your faithful ones bless you.
They shall speak of the glory of your reign,
and declare your mighty deeds. **R.**

To make known your might to the whole human race,
and the glorious splendour of your reign.
Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom;
your rule endures for all generations. **R.**

SECOND READING

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse.

'God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.' 21:1-5

I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, 'Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain any more, for the former things have passed away.'

And he who was seated on the throne said, 'Behold, I am making all things new.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia.

**A new commandment I give to you, says the Lord,
that you love one another, just as I have loved you.
Alleluia.**

GOSPEL

The Lord be with you.

And with your Spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

'A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another.'
13:31-35

When Judas had gone out from the upper room, Jesus said, 'Now is the Son of Man glorified, and God is glorified in him. If God is glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself, and glorify him at once. Little children, yet a little while I am with you.

'A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another'.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

O God, who by the wonderful exchange effected in this sacrifice

have made us partakers of the one supreme Godhead,
grant, we pray,

that, as we have come to know your truth,
we may make it ours by a worthy way of life.
Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

**I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord.
Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty,
alleluia.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Graciously be present to your people, we pray, O Lord,
and lead those you have imbued with heavenly mysteries
to pass from former ways to newness of life.
Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



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MASSES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Sat 17 th	4.00 pm	Nora & John McDonagh (Anniversary)	18th May 2025: 5th Sunday of Easter <u>FEASTS :</u> Monday St Dunstan Tuesday St Bernardine of Siena Wednesday St Christopher Magallanes Thursday St Rita of Cascia Sunday 6th Sunday of Easter Adoration & Confession: Tuesday & Thursday 9.30 am – 10.20 am Altar Lamp – John O’Sullivan RIP Our Lady’s Lamp – Special Intention
Sun 18 th	10.30 am	Ann Smith (Anniversary)	
Mon 19 th		NO MASS	
Tues 20 th	10.30 am	Purita Leduna Catalan (Anniversary)	
Wed 21 st	10.00 am	Kathleen Mullin (Intentions)	
Thurs 22 nd	10.00 am	Pauline Simons (Requiem)	
Fri 23 rd	10.30 am	Michael Foley RIP	
Sat 24 th	4.00 pm	People of the Parish	
Sun 25 th	10.30 am	John C O’Sullivan (Anniversary)	
OFFERTORY COLLECTION: £364.78			
SECOND COLLECTION: £144.44 (Clergy Training Fund)			
SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND: Church Maintenance			

RECENTLY DEAD: Pauline Simons RIP. Reception Wednesday 21st May, 6.00 pm. Requiem Mass Thursday 22nd May, 10.00 am. Sandra Wale RIP. Requiem Mass on Tuesday, 27th May at 11.15 am.

ANNIVERSARIES: Margaret Bergin, Keith Hynes, William Byrne, France O'Connor, Kieran Dunne, Peter Southern, Mary McDowell, Matthew Lahert, Michael Kinsella, Philbert Baptiste, Malcolm Smart, Joseph Neil, Fiona Broderick, Patrick Collins, Patrick Moloney, Peter Cunningham, Margaret Foley, Jim Murphy, Jimmy Reynolds, Donald O'Sullivan, Thomas McNicholas.

SICK LIST: Anselm John Baptiste, Jim Deards, Fr Morty O'Shea, John Garvey, Cath McGrath, Amie Faulkner, Clare Bergin, Mary Bergin, Fr Tony Rohan, Tommy Flynn, Fr Paul Johnson, John Leo Daly.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR MAY 2025: For working conditions: Let us pray that, through work, each person may find fulfilment, families may be sustained in dignity and that society may be humanised.

FOR THOSE DISCERNING GOD'S CALL – Visit the National Office for Vocation at www.ukvocation.org or www.ukreligiouslife.org or www.ukpriest.org

AFTERNOON TEA this Sunday, 18th May, at St Thomas More's, 3.00 pm. All proceeds will go to HCPT, Mary's Meals, and the Air Ambulance. Tickets £10.00 each from Edel on 07836 704178. Many Thanks.

MULTICULTURAL MASS: Come and join us for our parish multicultural Mass on Pentecost Sunday, June 8th. If possible, all are invited to wear traditional dress. We will have a shared table after Mass in Holy Family School, and you are welcome to bring food that represents your country and culture. Please invite and bring your family and friends with you.

CONFIRMATION: Holy Family School pupils will be making their Confirmation on Sunday, 29th June, during the 10.30 am Mass. If any members of our Parish have not been confirmed and are interested in receiving the sacrament, please contact Fr Fretch. Thank you.

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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The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies and procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Barbara Conneely. She can be contacted at sg.holyfamily.bham@rcaob.org.uk, or alternatively, the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted at safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns.

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