



St Catherine of Siena

## St Catherine of Siena Catholic Church

Bristol Street, Birmingham,  
B5 7BE

Charity No 234216  
Tel: 0121 5740914

In an emergency message me on  
07543 776851

Fr. Jagadishmario Kurapati, PP

Contacts: [www.stcatherinesbirmingham.org](http://www.stcatherinesbirmingham.org).

Email: [stcathsiena@gmail.com](mailto:stcathsiena@gmail.com).

Facebook: St Catherine of Siena, Birmingham  
SVP Group - [stcats.svp@gmail.com](mailto:stcats.svp@gmail.com)



### **Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Reflection:** In Chapter 12 of Luke's Gospel, Jesus instructs his disciples and the crowd on how to be ready for the coming judgment. What more ordinary ways can heaven and earth be linked than in the most ordinary of foods. It means that in the ordinary events of our lives, God makes his home in us and becomes part of us.

Jesus is the bread that fulfils all our hunger and thirst. Jesus frees us to follow him not to achieve self-satisfaction, not to get anything that is in it for us, not even to attain or maintain peace of mind. Jesus frees us to embrace God's redeeming will to restore what God created and humanity to what God intends. Such faith does not mean separating the spiritual out of the social. It means putting God rather than us at the center of both. When we do, we can and will expect more.

**Please Pray for the Sick:** Yoland Rahim, Clement Akujiobi, P J Tunney, Veronica Ugo, Lily Rahim, Patrick O'Reilly, Trisha Weldon, John Curry, Pat Hillman, Clément, Trish, Teresa and Masie.

**Please also pray those who have died recently and all the Souls of the faithful departed.**

Sat	03/08	5:30 pm	Vigil Mass for Sunday	Kathleen Tumelty (12 <sup>th</sup> Year Remembrance)
<b>Sun</b>	<b>04/08</b>	<b>11 am</b>	<b>Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	Michael McCrann (RIP)
Tue	06/08	6 pm	Feast of Transfiguration of the Lord	No Intention
Wed	07/08	6 pm	Feria	No Intention
Thurs	08/08	6 pm	Memorial of St. Dominic	No Intention
Fri	09/08	6 pm	Feast of St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross	No Intention
Sat	10/08	5:30 pm	Vigil Mass for Sunday	No Intention
<b>Sun</b>	<b>11/08</b>	<b>11 am</b>	<b>Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	Mrs Lily

#### **Confessions and Rosary for the Month of August**

Rosary in the Lady Chapel on weekdays Tuesday-Friday @ 5.30 pm before 6 pm mass and Sundays at 10:30 am. Confessions on Saturdays at 5 pm or on request.

#### **Baptism preparation course**

The next courses will be held on Friday; 13<sup>th</sup> September 2019 @ 7 pm in the Lady Chapel. Before attending the course please email the office @ [stcathsiena@gmail.com](mailto:stcathsiena@gmail.com) for a form which you should complete and return.

#### **Assumption Day**

On the 15<sup>th</sup> of August is the feast day of Assumption and a Holy day of obligation. Please be encouraged to attend Mass wherever you are. Check the bulletin and the website for mass times in the parish.

#### **Sacrament of Holy Communion preparation**

Catholic children in Year 3 and above at Non-Catholic schools, who would like to prepare to receive the Sacraments of First Holy Communion and Reconciliation in 2020, please email your child's details, including full name and date of birth to the office @ [stcathsiena@gmail.com](mailto:stcathsiena@gmail.com).

#### **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RICA)**

Non-Catholics interested in preparing to become Catholic, please email the office @ [stcathsiena@gmail.com](mailto:stcathsiena@gmail.com) for details about the RICA programme.

#### **St Catherine's Parish Lottery Club**

Earlier this year we started a Lottery Club. So far we have sold 37 numbers; our aim is to sell at least 100 numbers! You can buy a number for £2 per month /£24 per year (Standing order only). 50 % of all income goes to the church, 25% to 1st number drawn, 15% to 2nd and 10% to 3rd. **Draws will be held on 18<sup>th</sup> Aug, 15<sup>th</sup> Sep, 20<sup>th</sup> Oct, 17<sup>th</sup> Nov and 15<sup>th</sup> Dec** after Sunday Mass and winning numbers published in the next newsletter. There are still numbers available - Please contact the office @ [stcathsiena@gmail.com](mailto:stcathsiena@gmail.com).

#### **Winning numbers for 22nd July Lottery Draw**

1st prize No 27, 2nd prize No 14, 3rd prize No 40. Winners have been contacted.

#### **Mass Intentions**

For Mass intentions please use the envelopes provided in Church. Each Mass is offered up for a particular person or prayer request. The Mass is the greatest collective prayer of the Church.

#### **Gift Aid**

If you are a tax payer and would like St. Catherine of Siena Church to receive Gift Aid on your donations please contact David Price on 07745610615.

If you have already signed up for Gift Aid and would like to make additional donations, please also contact David so that Gift Aid can be claimed on your additional donations. Thank you.

#### **Intercultural Mass**

We are all invited to this year's Intercultural Mass to be held on the 26<sup>th</sup> of October 2019. Mass will be in our church @ 12 pm. Please save the date and Let's celebrate!!

Collection Date	Cash	Envelopes	Total
15/16/June/2019	£ 178.71	£ 43.00	£ 214.71
22/23/June/2019	£ 169.70	£ 233.00	£ 192.70
29/30/June/2019	£ 259.96	£ 13.00	£ 272.96
06/07/July/2019	£ 227.66	£ 83.00	£ 310.66
13/14/July/2019	£ 160.66	£ 43.00	£ 203.66

#### **Church Repairs and Conference Centre**

We need to raise approximately £50,000 over 5 years to cover the cost of essential Church repairs and a new Conference Centre with Kitchen.

Need	Cost
Essential Church repairs	£ 32,500
Conference Centre	£ 14,000
Total	£ 46,500 + VAT
Amount Collected so far	<b>£ 10,477.24</b>
Amount remaining	£ 36,022.76 + VAT

**We are on Target! Thank you all for all your contributions.**