

St Catherine of Siena Catholic Parish

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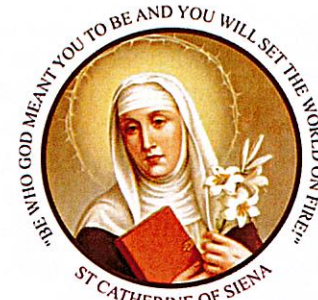
PARISH OFFICE OPENING TIMES

(Timing may vary due to summer break)

09:00am-2:30pm

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Reflection of the Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

This Sunday's reading calls us to live with faithful expectation, courage and trust. Not in what we can see or control but in the promises of God. Being faithful in small things matter deeply to God. Whether Christ returns tonight or in the far future, what matters most is how we live now.

Please pray for those who have recently died : *Claire Tumelty*

Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Please pray for those within our Parish who are sick- *Jim Affleck*

Prayer for the dead:

Eternal rest Grant unto them, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them.

May they rest in Peace. **Amen**

And may their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, Rest in peace. **Amen**

Sat	09/08	05:30pm	Vigil Mass	+RIP Catherine Parsons
Sun	10/08	11:00am	Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	<i>Amaka Catherine Chimezie</i> <i>-Thanksgiving mass for God's favours & blessing</i> <i>Nmena Akaniro-</i> <i>Baptism and Dedication</i> <i>-Christina Akaniro-</i> <i>Birthday</i>
Tues	12/08	05:30pm	Feria In Ordinary Time	+RIP Ann O'Neill
Wed	13//08	05:30pm	Feria In Ordinary Time	+RIP Maria Rand (Old deceased parishioner)
Thurs	14/08	10:00am 05:30pm	Funeral of T/L Claire Tumelty Memorial of St Maximilian Mary Kolbe, Priest, Martyr	+RIP Alice Salisbury (Old deceased parishioner)
Fri	15/08	05:30pm	Solemnity of the Assumption of the blessed virgin Mary	+RIP Claire Tumelty
Sat	16/08	05:30pm	Vigil Mass	<i>Baby Christopher</i> <i>-Baptism & Dedication</i>
Sun	17/08	11:00am	Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Intentions of Anna Maria Shelley

Mass Intentions: If you would like to book for one, please find envelopes available within the church. Mass Intentions are also for regular masses, should you require one please contact Fr Babu or Parish Office. Thank you.

Confessions: The Priest will be free upon request.

Sick Visit: Anyone who needs a sick visit or knows of anyone who requires one, please contact Fr Babu on 0121 4403025

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 Angela Kimani. They can be contacted at sg.stcatherine.bham@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.

Please take this newsletter home to read.

Requests for Baptisms: For parishioners of St Catherine's Parish, if you wish for your child to be baptized at St. Catherine's Church, and your child is 0-7 years of age, please speak with Fr Babu for a registration form and an initial meeting to discuss your request. All registration forms must then be completed and returned to Fr Babu BEFORE attending the baptism preparation session. If your child is over 7 years of age, he/she will be required to attend extra preparation sessions.

Collections:

Collections & offertories for the week to 03rd August 2025:

Cash collections: £344.88

Card machine: £304.00

Direct to bank account £1,436.04

Total £2,084.91

Thank you for all your donations.

Payments for the Priests: Please make any payments for Priest welfare and Mass Offerings directly to the priest- please do not make these payments through the parish bank account nor via the card machine.

Offerings direct to the bank account

Bank account details for offerings made by standing order or bank transfer:

Account name: RCAOB St Catherine

Sort code: 60-06-37

Account number: 01826565

Gift Aid

The Church can claim an additional 25% from the Government on offerings made by anyone who pays UK income tax. For more information on how this can be arranged, please see David Price before or after Mass on Sundays, or contact on: 07745 610615

david.s.price3@gmail.com

Parish community rooms Available for Parishioners to book for special occasions. If you are interested in using the rooms on a regularly basis. Esther Paramasivan, please contact on bookinginfo.stcatherine@gmail.com or **07435746400 Text only.**

Marriage Help

Retrouvaille helps couples find hope and healing for their marriage. Next date 17th-19th Oct. For more information please visit www.retrouvaille.org.uk or contact 07887296983

First Holy Communion 2025-2026 programme:

Calling parents who wish to have their child receive the sacraments of Holy Communion & Reconciliation. You are requested to complete the enrolment prior to the start of the programme in October 2025.

Eligibility Criteria:

- Children who are baptised in a Catholic Church
- Children who are in Year3 to Year 5.

Parents/Guardians need to be parishioners.

The Enrolment process involves the following steps to be completed by the parent/guardian.

1. Request an application form by emailing parish office.
2. Email the filled application form and a copy of child's baptismal certificate to the parish office email address.
3. Book a meeting with Fr Babu

Once these steps are completed, the parish office will confirm back on the successful enrolment of your child on to the programme and advise further on the programme schedule.

For any clarifications or queries, please contact the parish office or Vanitha Mascarenhas.

Last Date for enrolment- 30th Sep 2025

Prayer of the week

Lord of all power and might,
the author and giver of all good things;
graft in our hearts the love of your name,
increase in us true religion,
nourish us with all goodness,
and of your great mercy keep us in the same;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.