St Benedict Voice

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7TH SUNDAY OF KAITHA



SUNDAY READINGS

30.08.26 - 1st Sunday of Elijah	
Ex 34:28-35 | 2Chr 5:11-14 | 1Cor 15:35-50 | Mk 9:2-13	
06.09.26 - 2nd Sunday of Elijah	
Deut 18:14-22 | Sir 48:1-11 | Heb 11:23-29 | Mt 17:9-13	
13.09.26 - 3rd Sunday of Elijah	
Num 24:15-24 | Zech 14:1-9 | 1Cor 7:29-35 | Mt 24:32-44	
20.09.26 - 4th Sunday of Elijah	
Num 21:1-9 | Zech 10:8-12 | Gal 6:11-18 | Mt 10:34-42	

READING, CHURCH CLEANING & REFRESHMENTS

30.08.26 - St Mother Theresa
06.09.26 - St Alphonsa
13.09.26 - The Immaculate Conception
20.09.26 - St Mary's

FAMILY UNIT PRAYER MEETING

23.08.26 - St Thomas | Binu & Tintu's House | 6:30 pm

24.08.26 - Sacred Heart | Anish & Lijo's House | 6:30 pm

26.08.26 - Padre Pio | Jose Prakash & Deepa's House | 7 pm

27.08.26 - St Sebastian | Francis & Shaily's House | 7 pm

29.08.26 - Immaculate Conception | Dileep & Della's House | 6:30 pm

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30.08.26 - Rosa Mystica | Mon Thomas & Preethy's House | 5:00 pm

SEASON OF KAITHA

"I Will Deposit Devotion to Me in Their Hearts", the Lord speaks one of the most tender and hope-filled promises in all of Scripture. Jerusalem was surrounded by enemies, the people were facing the consequences of their disobedience, and the future appeared dark and uncertain. Yet in the midst of judgment, God revealed His unchanging heart of restoration. He declared that He would gather His people again, bring them safely home, and establish an everlasting covenant with them. At the centre of this promise is the beautiful assurance that God Himself would transform His people from the inside: "I will give them one heart and one way, so that they may always fear Me for their own good and the good of their children after them… I will put the fear of Me in their hearts, so that they will never turn away from Me" (Jer. 32:39–40). This is far more than a call to human effort; it is a divine work of grace. God promises to deposit devotion to Himself in the hearts of His people—to plant within them a holy affection, a reverent love, and a steadfast desire to walk in His ways. What an encouragement for the church today! Our faith is not sustained merely by determination, religious routine, or outward performance; it is sustained by the Spirit of God working within us, shaping our desires, renewing our minds, and drawing us continually back to the Father's heart. The Lord delights not only in forgiving His people but also in rejoicing over them with all His heart and soul (v. 41), faithfully planting them in His purposes and surrounding them with His goodness. As we reflect on this passage, let us take comfort that God is still in the business of restoring weary hearts, strengthening wavering believers, and creating within His church a deeper devotion to Christ.

MISSION MEMBER REGISTRATION

New families or persons who wish to register in this mission, please complete St. Benedict Mission Member Registration Form and approach Rev Fr. Fanzwa and introduce yourself.

Are you a UK taxpayer? UK taxpayers can sign up for Gift Aid, and we can collect 25% more from your offerings!

Please see Rev Fr. Fanzwa, for details.

Gift Aid Declaration Form, Standing Order Form

Please use the links for the respective forms.

MASS SCHEDULE

MON | 24.08.26	----------	No Mass Today
TUE | 25.08.26	----------	No Mass Today
WED | 26.08.26	07:00 pm	Holy Qurbana, *Perpetual* Succour Novena, Adoration
THU | 27.08.26	----------	No Mass Today
FRI | 28.08.26 Feast of St Augustine	07:00 pm 07:30 pm	Rosary, Confession Holy Qurbana, Adoration till 10 pm
SAT | 29.08.26	----------	No Mass Today
SUN | 30.08.26	07:30 am 09:30 am 10:30 am 11:00 am	Holy Qurbana Latin Mass Confession for children- and adults Holy Qurbana

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

15.08.2026 | SATURDAY
07:00 pm - £11.00
16.08.2026 | SUNDAY
07:30 am - £45.60
11:00 am - £59.65
Digital collection plate: £0.00
Many thanks for all your generous contributions.

Refreshments after Qurbana. All are welcome.
NO Drinks or Refreshments allowed inside the Church.

DATES FOR DIARY

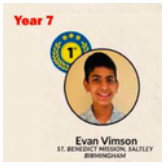
30.08.26 | SUNDAY - Mission Level Bible Kalotsavam
30.08.26 |SUNDAY - SMYM Onam Gathering
13.09.26 | SUNDAY - The New Catechism Year Starts
13.09.26 | SUNDAY - Pradhinidhi Yogam
19.09.26 | SATURDAY - Women's Forum Day Trip
26.09.26 | SATURDAY - Handhoosa
24.10.26 | SATURDAY - Regional Bible Kalotsavam
31.10.26 | SATURDAY - Parish Day
21.11.26 | SATURDAY - National Bible Kalotsavam
12.12.26 | SATURDAY - Thaiboosa

NEWS & UPDATES

Feast of St. Rose of Lima

The Feast day of St. Rose of Lima, we are honouring her life of faith, humility, and dedicated service to God. On this special occasion, we extend our heartfelt prayers and best wishes to **Sr. Roselit and Sr. Rincy** as they celebrate their feast day. God bless.

EPARCHIAL MERIT EXAM:



Congratulations to Evan Vimson, Year 7, for securing 1st in the Eparchial Merit Examination 2025–2026. May God bless him abundantly.

BIBLE READING: As a new year's resolution, we started the Bible reading for our catechism children on Monday, 5/1/25, from 8:30 pm for 15 minutes. The aim is to finish Bible reading in 2027, and it is an encouragement for the children for Bible reading. Please encourage all children to join in this prayerful time. Please visit catechism WhatsApp groups for updates.

LIVING STONE MINISTRY: Due to the increasing interest from many to join our International Youth Group, we are prayerfully planning to welcome newly wedded couples into the group as well. If anyone wishes to join the Youth Group and be part of the Living Stone Ministry, kindly inform the coordinators at your earliest convenience. Please contact: Mr. Bijo Tom – 07883 022 502, Mr. Jimmy Moolamkunnam – 07588 953 457, Mrs. Jemy Punnuse – 07904 644 854

CATECHISM: Please note that there will be no Catechism classes on 30th August, 2026. Parents are kindly requested to regularly check for any updates regarding catechism in the SBM Parents Teachers WhatsApp group.

Also, please contact Catechism Head Teacher Jini Baiju at 07576 840 870 to join this WhatsApp group.

Parents of children who will be starting Year 1 next month, as well as those wishing to enrol their children in catechism at any other class level, are kindly requested to register their child's name with the Head Teacher by 31st August. Thank you.

NO Car Parking in Church premises on **Sundays** due to health and safety concerns. Please use the Parkfield Road or car park in B8 1EP. Please **do not** park/stop/drop on yellow lines.

CAR PARK POST CODE: B8 1EP, St Saviours Road

There is separate Entry and Exit for this Car Park, which is next to the Mosque will be open on **Sundays** and two minutes walking distance to the church.



NEWS & UPDATES





BIRMINGHAM REGION
BIBLE KALOTSAVAM
2026
RULES AND REGULATIONS
CLICK HERE



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CLICK HERE to Join Zoom Meeting at 8.30 pm

Topic: Bible Reading
Time: This is a recurring meeting Meet anytime

Meeting ID: 879 4371 8668
Passcode: 340174





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