St Benedict Voice

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1ST SUNDAY OF MOSES



"AND BEFORE HIM SHALL BE GATHERED ALL NATIONS: AND HE SHALL SEPARATE THEM ONE FROM ANOTHER, AS A SHEPHERD DIVIDETH HIS SHEEP FROM THE GOATS" (MATTHEW 25:32)

SUNDAY READINGS

18.10.26 - 2nd Sunday of Moses

Ex 3:1-14 | Is 61:1-6, 10-11 | 1Cor 9:13-18 | Mt 10:1-15

25.10.26 - 3rd Sunday of Moses

Deut 11:1-7 | Wis 6:1-10 | 1Thess 5:12-24 | Mt 12:22-32

01.11.26 - 1st Sunday of Dedication of the Church

Ex 33:1-11 | Isa 40:20-31 | Heb 9:1-14 | Mt 25:1-13

08.11.26 - 2nd Sunday of Dedication of the Church

Ex 6:1-8 | Isa 49:1-7 | 1Pet 1:3-7 | Mt 19:23-30

READING, CHURCH CLEANING & REFRESHMENTS

18.10.26 - Infant Jesus
25.10.26 - St Rita
01.11.26 - St Benedict
08.11.26 - Year 12 Catechism Students

FAMILY UNIT PRAYER MEETING

12.10.26 - St Sebastian | Jiby & Poncy's House | 8:00 pm

17.10.26 - Holy Trinity | Naijil & Jincy's House | 6:30 pm

17.10.26 - Immaculate Conception | Reji & Sini's House | 6:30 pm

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17.10.26 - St Rita | Jomon & Jilcy's House | 6:30 pm

17.10.26 - St Joseph | Sibu & Deepa (at Holy Cross & St Francis Church hall) | 7:00 pm

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17.10.26 - Holy Rosary | Rajeev & Shincy's House | 7:30 pm

SEASONS OF ELIJAH-CROSS-MOSES

We are brought to one of the most powerful and awe-inspiring moments in the history of God's people. Having witnessed the thunder, lightning, the sound of the trumpet, and the mountain covered in smoke, the Israelites stood at a distance and trembled with fear. They had heard the voice of the living God, and the holiness and majesty of His presence overwhelmed them. Their response reminds us that encountering God is never something to be treated lightly or casually. The people recognised that they were standing before One who is holy, mighty, righteous, and completely beyond human comparison. Moses told them, "Do not be afraid," yet at the same time he explained that God had come to test them, so that the fear of Him would be before them and keep them from sin. There is an important distinction here between being terrified that God will destroy us and having a reverent fear that causes us to honour Him, obey His Word, and turn away from evil. Holy fear does not push us away from God; rather, it teaches us how seriously we should approach Him. In a world where God's name can sometimes be used carelessly and where worship can become merely routine, Exodus 20 calls the Church back to a deeper sense of reverence. The Israelites were reminded that the God who had delivered them from Egypt was not merely a distant idea or a religious symbol—He was present among them. His commandments were not suggestions but the gracious instructions of the God who had redeemed them and called them to be His people. Their trembling reminds us that God's holiness exposes the seriousness of sin and the greatness of His glory. Yet for Christians, this passage also points us toward the wonderful grace revealed in Jesus Christ. Through Christ, we are invited to draw near to God.

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 | 12.10.26	----------	No Holy Qurbana
	10:00 am	Latin Mass
TUE | 13.10.26	06:45 am	Holy Qurbana
	10:00 am	Latin Mass
WED | 14.10.26	07:00 pm	Holy Qurbana, *Perpetual Succour Novena, Adoration*
THU | 15.10.26 Feast of St Theresa of Avila	06:45 am	Holy Qurbana
	10:00 am	Latin Mass
FRI | 16.10.26	07:00 pm	Rosary, Confession
	07:30 pm	Holy Qurbana, Novena Adoration till 10 pm
SAT | 17.10.26	----------	No Latin Mass Today (Eparchial Anniversary @ London)
SUN | 18.10.26 Mission Sunday	07:30 am	Holy Qurbana
	09:30 am	Latin Mass
	09:30 am	Catechism in school
	10:30 am	Confession for children- and adults
	11:00 am	Holy Qurbana

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

04.10.2026 | SUNDAY
07:30 am - £11.20
11:00 am - £133.01
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

18.10.26 | SUNDAY - Mission Sunday
21.10.26 |WEDNESDAY -10 days Rosary Devotion Starts
24.10.26 | SATURDAY - Regional Bible Kalotsavam
31.10.26 | SATURDAY - Parish Day
01.11.26 | SUNDAY - Holyween
21.11.26 | SATURDAY - National Bible Kalotsavam
12.12.26 | SATURDAY - Thaiboosa

NEWS & UPDATES

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.

ALTER SERVERS: There will be monthly meetings and practice sessions for altar servers at Saltley Church on the second Saturday of every month from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM. All new and current altar servers are need to be attended. For more information please contact Mr. Rejo Antony, Coordinator at 07581 383 168.

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: The School Gate open: 9:20–9:30 am | Catechism: 9:30 am | Holy Qurbana: 11:00 am. All children must attend Holy Qurbana. Children may not leave the church premises without prior permission from the class teacher or Head Teacher. After Qurbana, parents of Years 1–6 are requested to collect their children.

Please check the SBM Parents Teachers WhatsApp group regularly for updates. To join the group, contact **Head Teacher Jini Baiju: 07576 840 870.** **Catechism Calendar 2026 - 2027**

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.



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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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BIBLE KALOTSAVAM
2026
RULES AND REGULATIONS
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