

Entrance Antiphon **Dn 3: 31, 29, 30, 43, 42**

All that you have done to us, O Lord,
 you have done with true judgement,
 for we have sinned against you
 and not obeyed your commandments.
 But give glory to your name
 and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

Collect

O God, who manifest your almighty power
 above all by pardoning and showing mercy,
 bestow, we pray, your grace abundantly upon us
 and make those hastening to attain your promises
 heirs to the treasures of heaven.
 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.

First reading **Numbers 11:25-29**

The Lord came down in the Cloud. He spoke with Moses, but
 took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the
 seventy elders. When the spirit came on them they
 prophesied, but not again.

Two men had stayed back in the camp; one was called Eldad
 and the other Medad. The spirit came down on them; though
 they had not gone to the Tent, their names were enrolled
 among the rest. These began to prophesy in the camp. The
 young man ran to tell this to Moses, 'Look,' he said 'Eldad and
 Medad are prophesying in the camp.' Then said Joshua the son
 of Nun, who had served Moses from his youth, 'My Lord
 Moses, stop them!' Moses answered him, 'Are you jealous on
 my account? If only the whole people of the Lord were
 prophets, and the Lord gave his Spirit to them all!'

Responsorial Psalm **Psalms 18(19):8,10,12-14**

The precepts of the Lord gladden the heart.

The law of the Lord is perfect,
 it revives the soul.

The rule of the Lord is to be trusted,
 it gives wisdom to the simple.

The precepts of the Lord gladden the heart.

The fear of the Lord is holy,
 abiding for ever.

The decrees of the Lord are truth
 and all of them just.

The precepts of the Lord gladden the heart.

So in them your servant finds instruction;
 great reward is in their keeping.

But who can detect all his errors?
 From hidden faults acquit me.

The precepts of the Lord gladden the heart.

From presumption restrain your servant
 and let it not rule me.

Then shall I be blameless,
 clean from grave sin.

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Second reading **James 5:1-6**

An answer for the rich. Start crying, weep for the miseries
 that are coming to you. Your wealth is all rotting, your clothes
 are all eaten up by moths. All your gold and your silver are
 corroding away, and the same corrosion will be your own
 sentence, and eat into your body. It was a burning fire that

you stored up as your treasure for the last days.
 Labourers mowed your fields, and you cheated them –
 listen to the wages that you kept back, calling out; realise
 that the cries of the reapers have reached the ears of
 the Lord of hosts. On earth you have had a life of
 comfort and luxury; in the time of slaughter you went
 on eating to your heart's content. It was you who
 condemned the innocent and killed them; they offered
 you no resistance.

Gospel Acclamation**Jn 17:17**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Your word is truth, O Lord:
 consecrate us in the truth. Alleluia!

Gospel**Mark 9:38-43,45,47-48**

John said to Jesus, 'Master, we saw a man who is not one
 of us casting out devils in your name; and because he
 was not one of us we tried to stop him.' But Jesus said,
 'You must not stop him: no one who works a miracle in
 my name is likely to speak evil of me. Anyone who is not
 against us is for us.'

'If anyone gives you a cup of water to drink just
 because you belong to Christ, then I tell you solemnly,
 he will most certainly not lose his reward.'

'But anyone who is an obstacle to bring down one of
 these little ones who have faith, would be better thrown
 into the sea with a great millstone round his neck. And
 if your hand should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better
 for you to enter into life crippled, than to have two
 hands and go to hell, into the fire that cannot be put out.
 And if your foot should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is
 better for you to enter into life lame, than to have two
 feet and be thrown into hell. And if your eye should
 cause you to sin, tear it out; it is better for you to enter
 into the kingdom of God with one eye, than to have two
 eyes and be thrown into hell where their worm does
 not die nor their fire go out.'

Prayer over the Offerings

Grant us, O merciful God,
 that this our offering may find acceptance with you
 and that through it the wellspring of all blessing
 may be laid open before us.
 Through Christ our Lord.

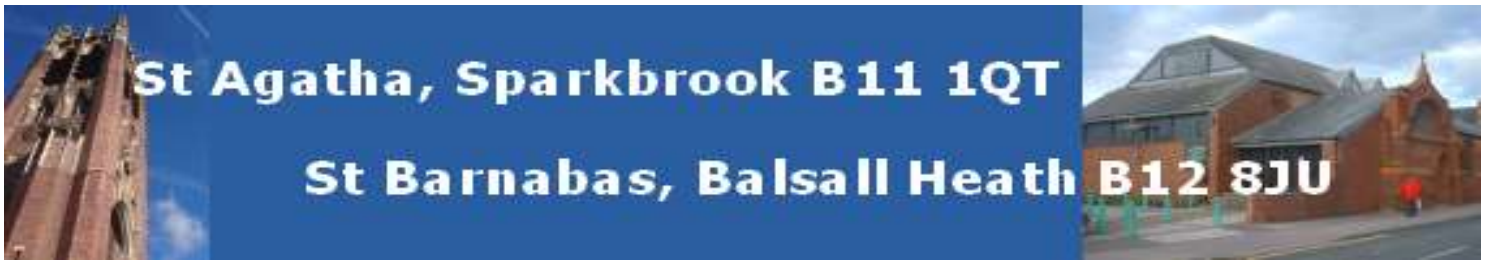
Communion Antiphon **Cf. Ps 118: 49-50**

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord,
 by which you have given me hope.
 This is my comfort when I am brought low.

Prayer after Communion

May this heavenly mystery, O Lord,
 restore us in mind and body,
 that we may be coheirs in glory with Christ,
 to whose suffering we are united
 whenever we proclaim his Death.
 Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

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29th September 2024 News/prayers

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass times on Sundays:

St Barnabas' at 9.00am

& St Agatha's at 11am

Our Harvest festival Sunday is 6th October.

Mass at St Agatha's to be followed by a bring and share lunch. Donations of tins of food suitable to be given to people in need in our parish welcome. Please make sure all tins are in date. Tins that do not require a tin-opener preferred.

Dates for 2025:

St Agatha's Patronal Festival:

Saturday 8th February 11am

The next Parish Pilgrimage to Walsingham:

30th May-1st June

We pray for our parish, for all who live and work within our parish boundaries; holding them up for God's blessing. We pray for all pupils who attend the schools within our parish. We pray for St Agatha's Boxing Club, and St Barnabas' Nursery. We commend to you all who are sick or in any kind of need. We pray for the Fr Michael, Fr Sergei, Church Warden Martin and the congregation of the Russian Orthodox Parish of All Saints, who meet at St Agatha's on Saturdays.

We ask your help for all in positions of responsibility in our churches. We pray for our priest Fr Thomas Singh and his wife Sandhya as they minister in our parish. We pray for Bishop Paul.

We pray for each individual member of our congregations that we may be faithful to our vocations and worthy ambassadors of our Catholic faith.

St Agatha's Prayer

Let your forgiveness be won for us by the pleading of Saint Agatha, who found favour with you by her chastity and by her courage in suffering death for the gospel.

St Barnabas's Prayer

God our Father, You filled Saint Barnabas with faith and the Holy Spirit and sent him to convert the nations; help us to proclaim the gospel by word and deed.

We pray for those who are in need or ill: HM The King, HRH The Princess of Wales, John Gregory, David Stokes, Peter Rouillard, Mike Lock, Jean Tomlinson, Elaine Stanley, Janet Gregory, Donnette Rigg, Ava Crossley, Keith Garnor, Phil Lee, Roger McDonald, Fr Balwant Singh, Esther Micklewright, Robert Smith and Fr. John Luff.

We pray for those who have died recently, especially Arthur Cardin.

The next meeting of
our **PCC** is on
Sunday 20th
October, after Mass
at St Agatha's

