

Sacred Heart Parish Weekly Newsletter.

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Dear Parishioners,

FOOD FOR OUR NEEDY FAMILIES AND TOYS FOR THE CHILDREN FOR CHRISTMAS. Many Thanks for your kindness. School will deliver them to our families in time for Christmas.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS' MEETING. Monday 11th December in the house at 6.30pm.

READERS' MEETING also Monday 11th at 7.30pm

Coventry Winter Night Shelter: We are particularly looking for people to help with the night shift at St Osburg's Phone Louisa Hopkins 07828 739064 if you would like to find out more

GRAND CHRISTMAS RAFFLE. The prizes are amazing.

★ Christmas Services. ★

Tuesday 19th December 7.00pm Penance

Service. There will be priests available to hear confessions so no-one will be rushed or delayed. Please make a special effort to come. **(There will be no confessions on Saturday 23rd)**

Wednesday 20th December 6.30pm in Church, School Carol Service: *The Gift of Christmas.* Please do come, it will be an amazing celebration.

(The 10.30am Mass on Sunday 24th December is for the Fourth Sunday of Advent.)

Christmas Eve 4.00pm in the Hall our wonderful carols around the crib for young children, and everyone is welcome to come.

Christmas Mass times:

Christmas Eve:

5.00pm Mass

8.00pm Carols and at

8.30pm Mass.

Christmas Day:

10.30am Mass (This is traditionally the family Mass where children are invited to bring with them a toy Fr Christmas has brought them and these are blessed during Massand a special guest usually comes at the end of Mass to see all the children!)

God bless,

Fr. Tony.

10th December, 2017	
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT. (B)	
Parish Mass Book page 28. Redemptorist Sunday Missal Page 21. Preface I of Advent. Eucharistic Prayer 3.	
Saturday 5.00pm	Kevin McFadden, R.I.P. (McFadden Family.)
Sunday 10.30am	For all the people of the Parish.
Monday 9.00am	Marjorie Sant, R.I.P. (Dave and Eileen Hardie)
Wednesday 5.45pm 6.30pm	St. Lucy, Virgin, Martyr. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Dennis Leonard, R.I.P. (Mary Henry)
Thursday 9.00am	St. John of the Cross, Priest, Doctor of the Church. Aiden Perry, R.I.P.
Friday 10.30am	Requiem for Philip Foy.
Saturday 8.15am 9.00am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. M&D Special Intention (DD)
Confessions	Saturday: 9.30am - 10.00am and 4.30pm -4.50pm.
17th December, 2017	
THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT. (B)	
Parish Mass Book page 30. Redemptorist Sunday Missal Page 25. Preface 2 of Advent. Eucharistic Prayer 2.	
Saturday 5.00pm	Meira and Charles Hollick, Anniversary (Olive Doherty)
Sunday 10.30am	For all the people of the Parish.



If you hear the fire alarm leave by the nearest exit following the instructions of the fire marshals. The Assembly Point is in the car park

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BABY CHANGING UNIT
Provided in the disabled toilet.



Please switch off mobile phones when in Church. Thank you.

Last week's Offertory: £976.50 (Gift-Aid: £227.10 non Gift-Aid: £447.40 Bank Credits: £302.00.). Thank you very much. Many thanks for these wonderful events: The Afternoon Tea which raised £260.00, the Quiz Night £100.00 and the Christmas Stall £301.00 **This weekend** collection for the Poor Parishes of the diocese. **Next weekend** December collection for Our Hopes.

500 Club November Draw. 1st Prize: £90.00 No. 502 Jacky Comerford; 2nd Prize: £40.00 No. 197 June Connolly; 3rd Prize: £20.00 No. 133 John Moore.

Counters this week Team A.

7-Day Candles: 9th – 16th December.

Sacred Heart: Tincy (Special Intention); Catriona Murphy, R.I.P.; Frank O'Brien, R.I.P.

Our Lady: Jim & Kathleen Donnelly – Thanksgiving; Alisha Family Protection; Special Intention – LO.

By the small Crucifix:

Vacancy for a Foundation Director for the Romero

MAC. If you are a practicing Catholic and would like further information regarding this volunteer role please contact Rebecca Tonks at the BDES r.tonks@bdes.org.uk or apply via the link: http://www.bdes.org.uk/uploads/7/2/8/5/72851667/foundation_director_application_form_290317_rlt.pdf

VERY IMPORTANT. ACT IN SUPPORT OF CATHOLIC EDUCATION Do you support Catholic schools and the right of Catholics to send their children to them?

Then we need you to make your voice heard. The Government is making a critical decision on whether to overturn the admissions cap which prevents new Catholic schools from allowing all Catholic pupils to attend. Visit <http://catholicnews.org.uk/education-cap> schools. To urge the Government to drop their policy which bans new Catholic schools.

Cardinal Wiseman parents Annual Governors' Awards will be held on Wednesday 20th December

between 7.00pm – 8.30pm. This very special occasion will be a black-tie event with a choir and string quartet. Refreshments will be held in the newly refurbished 6th Form centre.

Please remember in your prayers Jetsy Antony, Joyce Powell, Etta Montague, Angel Nyanzi, Austin O'Malley, Karen Pattinson, Alan Stanley, Suzanne Martin, Larry O'Brien, Brendan Duffy, Carol Burton, Jane Malone (Allsop), Kevin Casey, Maureen Bell, Joan O'Keefe, Christopher, Catherine and Clifford Browne, Winnie Coleman, Angel Nyanzi, Peter Gibbons, Kathleen Tierney, James O'Brien, Kitty Bracken, Maria Scott, Eunan MacIntyre Junior, Bridie McAndrew, Benny McAndrew, and all who are sick, for the repose of the souls of Philip Foy Snr., and all who have died and for all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

PRAYER VIGILS On the first Friday of every month. from 6.00pm - 8.00pm. The next one will be on Friday 5th January.

Prayer Group meeting every Tuesday in the Hall at 7.30pm.

There are now 118 of you receiving the weekly newsletter by email! Please send me an email to request the Newsletter. parish@sacredheart-coventry.org **Over 50's meet on Mondays in the Hall.** Please see noticeboard for date of next meeting. New members welcome.

Fr McKiernan Memorial Mass on Friday 15th December at 7.30pm at the Pioneer Hall, Broad Street, Coventry. All welcome

LiveSimply Prayer

Compassionate and loving God, you created the world for us all to share, a world of beauty and plenty. Create in us a desire to live simply, so that our lives may reflect your generosity. Creator God, you gave us responsibility for the earth, a world of riches and delight. Create in us a desire to live sustainably, so that those who follow after us may enjoy the fruits of your creation. God of peace and justice, you give us the capacity to change, to bring about a world that mirrors your wisdom. Create in us a desire to act in solidarity, so that the pillars of injustice crumble and those now crushed are set free. Amen.