

Sacred Heart Parish Weekly Newsletter.

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Dear Parishioners,

Fr Richard Rohr makes a lovely point that the Holy Spirit always connects and heals and makes two into one. The devil on the other hand always makes one into two by dividing and separating. The word “diabolical” comes from two Greek words *dia* and *balein* that mean “to throw apart.” God is entering our world Jesus is coming, uniting together what we have divided and the more we can “put together” the more we can forgive – forgive others and accept forgiveness ourselves.

FOOD FOR OUR NEEDY FAMILIES AND TOYS FOR THE CHILDREN FOR CHRISTMAS. Many Thanks for your kindness. Items can be left on, or under, the table by the Baptism Font. **The deadline is Friday 16th December** after which they will be distributed to our families in need.

Christmas Services – advance notice.

Tuesday 20th December 7.00pm Penance Service.

There will be five 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 Christmas Eve (Saturday 24th)**

Christmas Eve 4.00pm in the Hall our wonderful carols around the crib for all 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 and these are blessed during Mass ...and a special guest usually comes at the end of Mass to see all the children!)

God Bless,

Fr. Tony.

11th December, 2016. Third Sunday of Advent (A) Parish Mass Book page 31. Preface 2 of Advent. Eucharistic prayer 3.	
Saturday 5.00pm	Ron Duffy, R.I.P. – 25 th Anniversary.
Sunday 10.30am	For all the people of the Parish.
Monday 9.00am	Mass in the Church Hall. Mr John Joseph, R.I.P. (Anna)
Tuesday 6.30pm	Carol Concert in Church.
Wednesday 5.45pm 6.30pm	St. John of the Cross. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Mary Millar, R.I.P. (Anne and Maurice O’Donoghue)
Thursday 9.00am	Alice Kelly, R.I.P.
Friday 9.00am	Mary McCarthy.
Saturday 8.15am 9.00am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Rev. Brian Whatmore.
Confessions.	Saturday 9.30 -10.00am and 4.30 – 4.50pm.
18th December, 2016. Fourth Sunday of Advent (A) Parish Mass Book page 33. Preface 2 of Advent. Eucharistic prayer 3.	
Saturday 5.00pm.	For all the people of the Parish.
Sunday 10.30am	Julia Kelly – For Recovery. (The Kelly Family.)





An Induction Loop system is provided. Please switch Hearing-Aid to 'T'



BABY CHANGING UNIT
Provided in the disabled toilet.



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

Last week's Offertory: £873.05 (Gift-Aid £211.00 non Gift-Aid: £351.05 Bank Credits: £311.00.) Thank you very much. Collection for the poor parishes of the diocese: £168.25 **This weekend** Collection for Fr. Hudson's Care.

Counters this week: Team A. (Rotas for 2017 can be collected from the sacristy.)

Christmas Market. UPDATE. The Raffle money has now come in and so the grand total is a surplus of £1,209.93 Thank you all so much for such a magnificent effort. **We were able to help** Coventry Comfort Carers (who help the homeless and destitute families) and the Winter Night Shelter with items left over. The Afternoon tea last Sunday raised a wonderful £

7-Day Candles: 10th - 17th December

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

Our Lady: Ken Duffy, 25 years R.I.P.; Catriona Murphy, R.I.P.; Alisha Family Protection;

By the small Crucifix: Maria (Special Intention.)

Please remember in your prayers Ann MacIntyre, Suzanne Martin, Larry O'Brien, Brendan Duffy, Carol Burton, Jane Malone (Allsop), Eamon Finlan, Kevin Casey, Maureen Bell, Dulcie Stalker, Joan O'Keefe, Christopher, Catherine and Clifford Browne, Alan Wilkinson, Winnie Coleman, Angel Nyanzi, Ron Hamilton, Peter Gibbons, Kathleen Tierney, James O'Brien, Kitty Bracken, Meira Hollick, Eileen Franey, Maria Scott, Eunan MacIntyre Junior, Bridie McAndrew, Benny McAndrew, Martin McAndrew, and all who are sick, for the repose of the souls of Alan Wilkinson, and all who have died and for all whose anniversaries occur at this time. Please keep in your prayers the families of all those who are sick and those who have died.

Over 50's meet in the Hall every fortnight on a Monday. Please see noticeboard for date of next meeting.

Would you be interested in joining an Irish Crochet Workshop in Coventry to be led by an expert from County Monaghan? Date and times to be finalised later, in order to accommodate as many as possible and to fit in with Maire Treanor's

schedule. If interested, please contact Mrs Pat Tubb on 07851 218780 or by e-mail at patriciaanne38@gmail.com



Thought for the week: The Holy Spirit can only speak as loudly as our ears are open to hear – He never bawls at us because He can't be rude!

PRAYER VIGILS On the first Friday of every month. So that younger people are able to come these will run from 6.00pm - 8.00pm. The next one will be on Friday 2nd September.

Are you interested in becoming a Catholic? Are you a Catholic who would like to know more about your faith? Are you a non-Catholic in a Catholic family who would just like to understand the Catholic faith better? Our series of meetings on the Catholic Faith start on Thursday 22nd September from 7.30pm -8.45pm in the Parish Hall. They are very friendly with tea/coffee and biscuits. **DO COME ALONG**

COVENTRY PIONEER REGIONAL COMMITTEE – Fr McKiernan Memorial Mass on Friday 16th December at 7.30pm at the Pioneer Hall, Broad Street, Coventry. Mass and light refreshments to follow. All welcome

Lunchtime Supervisor.

The Academy Committee are looking for imaginative, creative people to join our team and support our Catholic ethos: **Lunchtime Supervisor** (Permanent) (£7:85 pro-rata - term time only) *Closing date: 5th December 2016* To apply for these posts – please go to WMJobs for the downloadable documents. <http://www.wmjobs.co.uk/> Please return ALL documents for the attention of Mr Madia, Head of School via email or at the school.

Catholic Convention and Healing Service on every second Saturday of the month at B C C, Birmingham. Coach will be departing from Sacred Heart Church, Coventry. For more details and booking, please contact Jose on 07868842984.

Prayer in Thanksgiving for the Consecration of the Church

Almighty Father, we give you thanks for the Consecration of our Church. Send your Spirit from heaven to make this church an ever holy place, a house of prayer and action reaching out to those in any need. Build the temple of your spirit deep within us, creating its beauty from the holiness of our lives, that we may be living stones proclaiming the gospel by our words and our deeds. Through Christ Our Lord. Amen.