

# Sacred Heart Parish Weekly Newsletter.

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Dear Parishioners,

**Sacred Heart Youth (SHY)** meets again this Thursday (28<sup>th</sup>) from 6.30pm -8.30pm

*Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:  
where there is hatred, let me sow love;  
where there is injury, pardon;  
where there is doubt, faith;  
where there is despair, hope;  
where there is darkness, light;  
where there is sadness, joy.  
O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek  
to be consoled as to console,  
to be understood as to understand,  
to be loved as to love.  
For it is in giving that we receive,  
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,  
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.  
Amen.*

This prayer of St Francis of Assisi is one we all know well and admire greatly; it seems to talk to us of the ideal. Few of us feel we will fully live it. Yet that's a great mistake. It is not an 'ideal' to be experienced by saints but a necessity for all of us – the only way we can find peace and balance. Today's gospel is proclaimed to everyone, to you and me, to our ancestors and to future generations. St Paul tells us in our second reading today that as Christ is in heaven, so are we to be. It is a slow lifelong journey but perhaps the greatest obstacle is our dependence on other people or circumstances to make us feel good, supply us with feelings of prestige and security and this is doomed to

failure before it starts. We're looking in the wrong place! We are looking inwards, not outwards through the eyes of Christ. Let's ask St Francis to help us see clearly.

**St Patrick's Day Party/Social. Sunday 17th March in the church hall. Live music and dancing.** Doors open at 7.00 pm, live music starts approx 7.30 pm with local Celtic group "The Sisters of Murphy" followed by a Ceilidh in the second half. **A licensed bar will be available selling a variety of soft and alcoholic drinks. Tickets are £10 each which includes a free buffet.** Tickets from Paul and Sue Wilby **OR ONLINE:** [www.ticketsource.co.uk/sacred-heart-church](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/sacred-heart-church)  
A great night out for everyone, you don't have to be Irish, all welcome. **Admission by ticket only**

God bless,

*Fr. Tony.*

<b>24<sup>th</sup> February, 2019. 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)</b>	
Parish Mass Book page 65.	
Preface of Sundays VI. Eucharistic Prayer 3.	
Saturday 5.00pm	For all the people of the Parish.
Sunday 10.30am	Bill and Bridie Gannon (Carmel Kavanagh)
Monday 9.00am	Joseph Padavathiyil (Saly Kuncheria)
Wednesday 5.45pm 6.30pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Special Intention TCH (Celine McCrea)
Thursday 9.00am	Diane Watson, R.I.P. (Staff of Sacred Heart School)
Friday 9.00am	<b>Feast of St. David, Bishop, Patron of Wales.</b> Mary Birrane -1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary (Heffernan Family)
Saturday 8.15am 9.00am	<b>Feast of St. Chad, Bishop.</b> Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Special Intention.
<b>Confessions:</b>	Saturday 9.30am - 10.00am and 4.30pm - 4.50pm
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> March, 2019. 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)</b>	
Parish Mass Book page 67.	
Preface of Sundays VII. Eucharistic Prayer 2.	
Saturday 5.00pm	For all the people of the Parish
Sunday 10.30am	Steven Leighton, R.I.P. (Stephen Norman)



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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Provided in the disabled toilet.



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

**Last week's Offertory:** £991.74 (Gift-Aid: £182.50 non Gift-Aid: £507.24 Bank Credits: £302.00.). Thank you very much. Collection towards Our Dream: £189.16 {Gift-Aid: £67.00 non Gift-Aid: £122.16} **Next weekend** Collection for the maintenance of the Cathedral

**500 Club:** 1<sup>st</sup> prize £92.50 No. 458 Josemani Pulikkan; 2<sup>nd</sup> prize £40.00 No. 729 J. Hogan; 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize £20.00 No. 204 Mary Ivers.

**Counters this week Team C.**

**7-Day Candles: 23<sup>rd</sup> February – 2<sup>nd</sup> March**

**Sacred Heart:** Catriona Murphy, R.I.P.; Marcella Fitzgerald, R.I.P.; Tincy Special Intention.

**Our Lady:** Mary Birrane, R.I.P.; Alisha Family Protection.

**By the small Crucifix:**

**Live simply bring and share a meal 10th March.**

We are having a shared meal after Sunday mass on the 10th of March as part of our parish Live simply award activities. We would love this to be an opportunity for everyone to share the food from their own culture, so we can rejoice of the variety of food that people love to eat. We would like everyone to bring a small amount of food to share. Link for Global healing Video: <https://vimeo.com/277781433>

If you would like your name or the name of a friend or relative to be printed in the newsletter in the prayers for those who are sick, **please complete a consent form, available from the sacristy, as we now need consent.**

**Please remember in your prayers** Fr George Bennett, Benny and Bridie McAndrew, Eunan MacIntyre, Jane Malone, Matt Moten, Joan O'Keefe, Billy Heffernan, Rosie Hallett, Maria Scott, Winnie Coleman, and all who are sick and for the repose of the souls of Susan Browne and all who have died.

**PRAYER VIGILS** On the first Friday of every month. from 6.00pm - 8.00pm. The next one will be on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March.

**Prayer Group** meets every Tuesday in the Parish Hall at 7.30pm. All are welcome.

**AND STILL increasing! There are now 136 of you receiving the weekly newsletter by email!** Please send me an email to request the Newsletter. [parish@sacredheart-coventry.org](mailto:parish@sacredheart-coventry.org)

**Over 50's meet on Mondays in the Hall.** Please see noticeboard for date of next meeting. New members welcome.

**ANNUAL ST PATRICK'S MASS** The Annual Mass in honour of St Patrick will be on Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> March in St Mary & St Benedict's Church, at 8pm

**Evening Rosary.** The Rosary continues each Tuesday evening at 7.30pm. The group come together to pray for their families in good as well as difficult times and for special intentions for the children in particular need. All are warmly invited to come and join us, as and when you may be able to make it.

**40 days for Life Birmingham Kick-off Event:**

Bishop John Keenan will be speaking on 'Abortion - The Need for Public Witness' and Pastor Darnell Starks will be sharing his moving personal testimony. Join us at the 40 Days for Life Kick-off event on Sun 3rd March, 2pm, Upper Cloister Room, Birmingham Oratory, 141 Hagley Rd, B16 8UE. All Welcome. For more info contact Isabel: 07773501721

**A group of young adult Catholics (20-30s)** are looking to set up a network around the Coventry, Kenilworth, Leamington, and Warwick Parishes that will provide an opportunity to share faith, and promote fellowship and spiritual growth. If you're interested please join the "West Midlands Catholic Young Adults" group on FB, or email [WestMidlandsCYA@gmail.com](mailto:WestMidlandsCYA@gmail.com) to get on a mailing list.

### **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.