

# Sacred Heart Parish Weekly Newsletter.

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Dear Friends,

**The Catholic Truth Society (CTS)** have published a wonderful Do-It-Yourself Retreat to use at home. **This could be a fantastic way of making use of the Lockdown and could really help us in our growing relationship with the Risen Lord.** It costs £2.50 and you can order it directly from the CTS using this link: <https://www.ctsbooks.org/?s=Do+it+yourself+retr+eat>

**CAFOD** launched its coronavirus emergency appeal on 30 April. The effects of coronavirus on developing countries where CAFOD works are likely to be devastating. Whilst parishes are not able to hold any actual collections in churches, if you would like, you can make a donation as individuals directly to CAFOD at [cafod.org.uk/coronavirusappeal](http://cafod.org.uk/coronavirusappeal)

*and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.*

Also, here are some more online resources you might find really interesting:

**Bishop Robert Barron** "Word on Fire"  
<https://www.wordonfire.org/>

**Young Catholic adults WhatsApp Group:**  
<https://birminghamdiocesantrust.eu.rit.org.uk/news/whatsapp-group-for-young-catholic-adults>

**Evangelisation Chat:**  
<https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/news/evangelisation-chat-launched-on-youtube>

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**7-Day Candles: 3<sup>rd</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>**

**May**

**Sacred Heart:** Celine McCrea's intentions.

**Our Lady:**

**By the small Crucifix:**  
Catriona Murphy, R.I.P.

**An act of Spiritual Communion:**

*My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there*

**3<sup>rd</sup> May, 2020 FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER. (A)**

**All Masses are Livestreamed to the Parish Facebook page:**

**Sacred Heart Catholic Church Coventry.**

<https://www.facebook.com/Sacred-Heart-Catholic-Church-Coventry-736420386480785/>

**Parish Website:**

[www.sacredheart-coventry.org](http://www.sacredheart-coventry.org)

<b>Sunday 9.00am</b>	For all the People of the Parish.
<b>Monday 9.00am</b>	<b>Feast of the English Martyrs.</b> Johanna Imelda Thomas (Nee Dwyer), R.I.P.(David Thomas)
<b>Tuesday 9.00am</b>	Fr Anthony Conlon, R.I.P.
<b>Wednesday 9.00am</b>	Ponnu Durai Yogendran, R.I.P. (Pat Taggart)
<b>Thursday 9.00am</b>	Private Intention
<b>Friday 9.00am</b>	David Hardie, R.I.P. (Eileen)
<b>Saturday 9.00am</b>	Paddy Griffin, R.I.P. 1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary. (Madeline and Family)
<b>10<sup>th</sup> May, 2020 FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (A)</b>	
<b>Sunday 9.00am</b>	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.

**There is now a “Donate” button on the parish website. BUT,** I know how people are struggling at the moment and I believe with all my heart that because God created each of us in His image and likeness one single human being is eternally more valuable than all the money in the universe.

I mention the “donate” button because bills are continuing to come in – and you might be surprised to know that in April we’ve paid out around £7,000. (Heating bill for March, the Diocesan levy and annual insurance premium.)

My heartfelt thanks to those who have offered to make donations direct to the Parish, and to those who have left donations in the presbytery letter box

Because all these bills go straight onto the overdraft, I am genuinely concerned that the overdraft may spiral out of control to a very sizeable debt that we cannot sustain in the future.

If you wish to make an online donation just go to the Parish Website where you will find the “Donate” button.

On a much lighter note, Fr Harry at St Joseph the Worker has some very funny little “tailpieces” for his newsletter – so I’ve “Borrowed” this one from him:

*By the time Bobby arrived, the football game had already started. “Why are you so late?” asked his friend. “I couldn’t decide between going to church or coming to watch the football. So I tossed a coin,” said Bobby. “But that can’t have taken all this time.” said the friend. “Well,” said Bobby, “I had to toss it 35 times.”*

God bless you all and your families, and stay safe,

*Fr. Tony.*

#### **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.