

Sacred Heart Parish Weekly Newsletter.

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All Masses (with and without a congregation) are Livestreamed at the same time to both the parish Facebook Page and YouTube channel.

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

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCNXaa0PR2IIDQExUXhzN2lg>

Dear Parishioners,

During the next 4 weeks of Lockdown the Church will be open for private prayer each Saturday from 11.00am to 12.30pm.

There is an extra page to this week's newsletter which is a statement from Cardinal Vincent and Archbishop Malcolm McMahon, writing on behalf of all the bishops of England. Please do take the time to read it. In their statement they say that: "We must sustain each other in our patterns of prayer, joining a national shared moment of prayer each day at 6pm, and observing the Vigil of Christ the King (21st November) as a day of prayer for the ending of this pandemic." Please do set aside 6.00pm each day to join in prayer.

November is the month of the Holy Souls. WHEN YOU

COME INTO CHURCH FOR PRIVATE PRAYER ON SATURDY MORNINGS, at the back there will be a box into which you can place the names of your departed loved ones. The Wednesday evening Mass on December 2nd will be offered for the repose of all their souls. Please don't put any Mass intentions in this box – it is only for the names of your departed loved ones and the contents will be shredded after the Mass in December.

God bless,
Fr. Tony.

8 th November, 2020 32 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)	
Saturday 5.00pm	<u>Livestream only. No Congregation.</u> Joan O'Keefe, R.I.P. – Birthday memories (Debbie Beck & Family)
Sunday 10.30am	<u>Livestream only. No Congregation.</u> For all the people of the Parish.
Monday 9.00am	Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica. <u>Livestream only. No Congregation.</u> Celine MacIntyre, R.I.P. (McCrea Family)
Tuesday 9.00am	St. Leo the Great, Pope, Doctor of the Church. <u>Livestream only. No Congregation.</u> For the deceased clergy of the Coventry Deanery.
Wednesday 6.30pm	St. Martin of Tours, Bishop. <u>Livestream only. No Congregation.</u> Fr. Tom Williams, R.I.P.
Thursday 9.00am	St. Josaphat, Bishop, Martyr. <u>Livestream only. No Congregation.</u> John O'Loughlin, R.I.P. (Marie O'Loughlin, John & Martina)
Friday 9.00am	<u>Livestream only. No Congregation.</u> Austin O'Malley, R.I.P.
Saturday 9.00am 11.00-12.30	<u>Livestream only. No Congregation.</u> Fr. David Barry. OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER FROM 11.00AM – 12.30PM.
15 th November, 2020 33 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)	
Saturday 5.00pm	<u>Livestream only. No Congregation.</u> Jerry Griffin, R.I.P. (Teresa Griffin)
Sunday 10.30am	<u>Livestream only. No Congregation.</u> 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: £1,088.37 Gift-Aid envelopes: £285.00 non Gift-Aid envelopes and cash: £423.37 Direct Giving (Standing Orders and donations) around £380.00 Thank you very much. Retiring collection for the Maintenance of the Cathedral: £200.83

500 Club. Total income: £295.00 prizemoney: £147.50. 1st Prize: £87.50 No. 486 Allan Westwood; 2nd Prize: £40.00 No. 844 Maurice O'Donoghue; 3rd Prize: £20.00 No. 68 Jose Ouseph.

Second Collections. Due to the Lockdown these two collections are on hold:
November 14th/15th Peter's Pence.
November 28th/29th Holy Places.

Counting Teams. God willing, we can re-start after the 4 week lockdown.

Deceased priests of the Coventry Deanery. In previous years the parishes and people of the deanery would meet together for Mass to be offered for the repose of the souls of all the priests who have served in the Coventry parishes over the years. Priests will offer the Mass this week for the repose of their souls.

We're starting a Sacred Heart Youth Alpha which is a 9 week series which creates a space where young adults will be excited to engage in conversations about faith. Exploring is good. We're built for it! **It starts on November 12th at 7.30pm.** Alpha Youth explores life, faith and meaning. Each episode looks at a different question around faith and is designed to create conversation. It's for anyone who has questions, it builds friendships and a sense of belonging with our parish and wider community. So for all our young people aged 14 - 17 years - Please join us and the Alton Castle Team online for Virtual Youth Alpha. This is for you and you are invited, all you need is WIFI. **Parents** please email youthalphacov@gmail.com. You will then be sent a consent form. Everyone must register in advance to receive login details.

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.

And just in case any 'older adults' (those aged 18 and onwards.....!) feel left out, well don't! Because in January we're hoping to run an Alpha course especially for you.

COVENTRY PIONEER ASSOCIATION the Memorial Mass of Fr McKiernan is arranged for Friday 11th December at Christ the King at 7.00pm. This will be his 50th Anniversary Mass. If you wish to attend, please contact Deacon Gerry O'Reilly on 024 76 333881. For those unable to attend you can join us on the webcam.

ST PIO PRAYER GROUP will be held on the first Thursday of every month at St John Fisher Church, Tiverton Road **starting after lockdown**, at 6.30pm followed by Mass at 7.00pm. All welcome.

Online Retreats at Belmont Abbey:

<https://www.belmontabbey.org.uk/online-retreats/register>

7-Day Candles: 7th – 14th November

Sacred Heart: Theresia Varkey, R.I.P.

Our Lady: Tincy - Special Intention; Esther Garvey – Recovery.

By the small Crucifix: Catriona Murphy, R.I.P.; Alisha (Family Protection.);

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

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CATHOLIC BISHOPS' CONFERENCE OF ENGLAND AND WALES

Statement from the President and the Vice-President of the Conference on the National Lockdown

Wednesday 4th November 2020

Today, Parliament passed into law the Regulations governing many aspects of activity in the whole of England until 2nd December. These Regulations prohibit the gathering of people for communal worship in churches and other religious buildings.

Churches remain open and in use for activities other than communal worship, including personal prayer and support for those in need. Funeral Masses and funeral services may be held. Please refer to the Regulations (for places of worship see paragraph 18) and associated Guidance.

Despite profound misgivings it is important that we, as responsible citizens, observe these Regulations, which have the force of law: *'Remind them to be obedient to the officials in authority; to be ready to do good at every opportunity'* (Titus 3:1). We do this in solidarity with so many others on whom are being imposed restrictions which impact severely on their lives and livelihoods.

It is also important to recognise that these Regulations are not an attack on religious belief. However, they do demonstrate a fundamental lack of understanding of the essential contribution made by faith communities to the well-being, resilience and health of our society.

At this difficult moment, we ask that, as a Catholic community, we make full use of our churches as places of individual prayer and sources of solace and help. We must sustain each other in our patterns of prayer, joining a national shared moment of prayer each day at 6pm, and observing the Vigil of Christ the King (21st November) as a day of prayer for the ending of this pandemic. And we encourage you all in your practical service and support of each other and those around you in need.

This pathway of prayer and service is the royal road we are to take as a gracious witness in our society today.

Cardinal Vincent Nichols
President

Archbishop Malcolm McMahon OP
Vice-President