

# 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,

The Requiem Mass for Ged Byrne takes place on Wednesday (**Invited guests only**) and so there will be no evening Mass this Wednesday. Wednesday evening Mass will resume as normal next week (17<sup>th</sup>)

Congratulations to our 500 Club winners (on the next page.)

The late Cardinal Carlo Martini describes Mark's gospel as the gospel for the catechumen – the non Christian who wants to know more about the Faith in order to be baptised and become a Christian. The cardinal wrote: *The catechumen is on the outside, and he sees the Christian rites, their prayers, their way of living, and it all seems so enigmatic. He doesn't understand why: why do they pray like that? Why aren't they like others? Why do they live the way they do – so full of charity, simplicity, fraternity? From the outside the catechumen contemplates the mystery of Christ and wants to enter in. He wants to arrive at the moment when the mystery is awakened in*

*him. He wants to move from being a catechumen to being a convert. Mark's gospel offers a complete guide to this person. He gradually leaves behind his pagan religiosity with its excesses and magic, and moves towards his success in God.*

Many thanks to Catherine Smith for making our beautiful lectern frontal. We still have a couple of weeks of green before Lent starts.

God bless,

*Fr. Tony.*

7 <sup>th</sup> February, 2021 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)	
<b>Saturday</b> 5.00pm	<b>Public Mass with Congregation.</b> For all the people of the parish.
<b>Sunday</b> 10.30am	<b>Public Mass with Congregation.</b> Anne Dunne, R.I.P. (The Kelly Family)
Monday 9.00am	Fr Giles Goward, R.I.P.
Tuesday 9.00am	Special Intention.
<b>Wednesday</b> 12.00pm	<b>St. Scholastica, Virgin.</b> Requiem Mass for Ged Byrne, R.I.P. <b>Invited guests only.</b> <b>There will be no evening Mass today</b>
Thursday 9.00am	<b>Our Lady of Lourdes.</b> Graham Lacy for recovery (P. O'Malley)
<b>Friday</b> 9.00am	<b>Public Mass with Congregation.</b> Maureen Ansell, R.I.P. (Brendan Ansell)
Saturday 9.00am	O'Dwyer family of Stourbridge
<b>Confessions</b>	Saturday 4.30pm -5.00pm
14 <sup>th</sup> February, 2021 6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)	
<b>Saturday</b> 5.00pm	<b>Public Mass with Congregation.</b> For all the people of the Parish.
<b>Sunday</b> 10.30am	<b>Public Mass with Congregation.</b> Nora O'Donoghue, R.I.P. (Anne and   Maurice)



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Provided in the disabled toilet.



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

**Last week's Offertory:** £653.25 Gift-Aid envelopes: £49.00 non Gift-Aid envelopes and cash: £224.25 Direct Giving (Standing Orders and donations) around £380.00 Thank you very much.

**Next weekend** collection for Pro Life.

**Counters this week:** Team A.

**500 Club January Draw:** 1<sup>st</sup> Prize: £92.50 No. 196 Mrs June Connolly; 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: £40.00 No. 43 John Ivers; 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize: £20.00 No. 450 Toyosi Adadoyin.

**Gift-Aid donors.** If you need your end of year totals, can you please email Nina Babbage, our parish Gift-Aid organiser, at: [ga.sacredheart.covty@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:ga.sacredheart.covty@rcaob.org.uk)

**Please say this prayer each day for the Alpha course:**

Lord Jesus Christ may we hear your word spoken to us in the Gospel and bless us with an awareness of your presence in our lives. Help us to encourage one another to feel part of your Family on Earth. Through your Holy Spirit unite us with all our sisters and brothers on our journey of faith. Amen

**7-Day Candles: February 6<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup>**

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

**Our Lady:** Tincy - Special Intention.

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

**Please pray for** the repose of the souls of Canon Giles Goward, Maureen Ansell, Gerald Byrne, Steve Hampson, Eileen Jones (nee Moynihan) 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.

**There is a new parliamentary motion** (EDM 1340) which is calling on the Government to introduce new guidance on fetal pain. The evidence that babies can feel pain in the womb, and during many

abortions, highlights the humanity of the unborn child and provides another important reason to introduce legislation to protect the unborn child from abortion. For more information go to: [www.righttolife.org.uk/FetalPainMotion](http://www.righttolife.org.uk/FetalPainMotion)

**The Chapel of Unity is promoting a 7-session online course** \_Radical Presence \_via Zoom\_ \_commencing on Monday 11th January 2021, 7.30-9.00pm The course is being run by Mark Bratton, Rector of St. John Baptist Berkswell and the Bishop of Coventry's Adviser on Medical Ethics. The course was created by the charity Green Christian as an initiative to help churches build a more just, sustainable, and compassionate world after the pandemic. The online initiative will foster ambition to tackle the crises of environmental breakdown, inequality and polarisation and help build support for a 'just recovery'

Session 4 - 8th February - \_Flesh\_

Session 5 - 12th April - \_Contagion\_

Session 6 - 19th April - \_Tomb\_

Session 7 - 26th April - \_Emmaus\_

Those wishing to join should contact Mark direct at this email address:

[mark.bratton@warwick.ac.uk](mailto:mark.bratton@warwick.ac.uk)

**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.

#### **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.