

# Sacred Heart Parish Weekly Newsletter.

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The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Kevin Baker and Celine McCrea . They can be contacted at: [sg.sacredheart.covty@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.sacredheart.covty@rcaob.org.uk) or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concern.

### Parish Livestream:

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

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

Dear Parishioners,

**This week's newsletter is much bigger than normal.**

Stapled to it is information about the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our parish and our school. **It is truly a special event when both parish and school are together celebrating 100 years.** Please do take the time to read it carefully (And if you're receiving the newsletter by email, please scroll down) **We have some special anniversary plaques you can order.**

Not only does the attached bring you up to date with what's happening for our joint centenary, but we do need your ideas and your involvement.

God Bless,

*Fr. Tony*

25 <sup>th</sup> February, 2024 Second Sunday of Lent (B) Parish Mass Book p78	
Saturday 5.00pm	Ernie and Veronica Mills, R.I.P. (John, Elizabeth and Veronica)
Sunday 10.30am	For all the people of the Parish
Monday 9.00am	Joseph Padavathiyil (Saly Kuncheria)
Tuesday 9.00am	Thanksgiving (S. Joby)
Wednesday 6.00pm 6.30pm After Mass	Stations of the Cross. Marcella and Christy Fitzgerald, R.I.P. (Their Family) Scriptural Rosary for families
Thursday 9.00am	Mary and John Brittane, R.I.P. (Jenny)
Friday 9.00am	<b>Feast of St. David, Bishop, Patron of Wales.</b> Mary Byrne, R.I.P. (Marie, John and Dermot)
Saturday 8.15am 9.00am	<b>Feast of St. Chad, Bishop.</b> Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Thanksgiving (S. Joby)
<b>Confessions</b>	Saturday 9.30am – 10.00am and 4.30pm – 4.50pm
3 <sup>rd</sup> March, 2024 Third Sunday of Lent (B) Parish Mass Book p 81	
Saturday 5.00pm	Rose and William Leckenby, R.I.P. (The Leckenby Family)
Sunday 10.30am	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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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:** £1,142.57 comprising: Gift-Aid envelopes: £112.00 non Gift-Aid envelopes and cash: £578.57 Direct Giving (Standing Orders and donations) around £452.00. Thank you.

**Counters this week:** Team C.

**This weekend** Retiring Collection for CAFOD Family Fast Day.

**Next weekend** Collection for Cathedral Maintenance.

**500 Club January Draw:** Total Income: £300.00 Total prizemoney: £150.00 1<sup>st</sup> Prize £90.00 No. 197 June Connolly; 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize £40.00 No. 779 Barbara MacIntyre; 3<sup>rd</sup> prize £20.00 No. 838 Paul and Sue Wilby.

**Please take home a card** available in the porch to request your MP to vote to lower the abortion time limit. Information on the cards.

**100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.** we will be arranging another meeting, and St John Fisher will be celebrating their 60<sup>th</sup> this year. If any of your family members were Baptised/Confirmed/ Married in St John Fisher they would be grateful for any photos. Please get in touch with them: [stjohnfisher.covty@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:stjohnfisher.covty@rcaob.org.uk)

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March** World Day of Prayer Service at Baginton Reformed Church 7.00pm Refreshments 7.30pm start. Olivewood goods made in Bethlehem will be on sale

**'Who do you say I am?'** Encountering Jesus in prayer this Lent. Saturday 17th February 2024, between 10.15am and 12.30pm in the church meeting room. St Patrick's Church, Deedmore Road, Coventry CV2 2AA. Parking is available in the car park behind the church.

**Wednesdays during Lent,** 7-8pm, a cafe course at Corpus Christi Church (CV3 2QP) on The Mystery of Suffering.

**The Chapel of Unity** is hosting an on line 20-minute Poem Reflection at 6.00pm each Monday evening during Lent. Zoom Details: Meeting ID: 813 1041 7352 Passcode: 181962

**Saturday 23rd March.** Multicultural quiz in Sacred Heart Church Hall. 7.30 quiz start. There will be different rounds reflecting the heritage of the various different ethnic groups. Food and teas/coffees available to purchase on the night. £2 per person. Raffle on the night as well. Everyone welcome.

**Oscott College, our Diocesan Seminary in Birmingham** offer open days on Sundays for parishioners to tour the college, meet the students, have a cup of tea and join in Evening Prayer. We have been before, and I've

booked the next available date for another trip – **21<sup>st</sup> April** There is a maximum of 50 people and closer to the time we'll start taking names.

**The Cistercian Nuns** at Holy Cross Abbey are hosting two 'Come and See' weekends for ladies discerning a vocation to monastic life. Please see poster in porch for more details.

**Members of the LGBTQ+ their friends and family** meet on the third Sunday of the month at St Patrick's Church, Deedmore Road CV2 2AA Age 18+

**Sunday evening Mass in the Deanery.** There is now a Sunday evening Mass at St Osburg's at 6.00pm. This is a Mass to serve the whole Deanery, as there has not been a Sunday evening Mass in Coventry for the last couple of years.

**Sacred Heart online piety shop** <https://sacred-heart-fundraising.square.site/>

**7-Day Candles: 24<sup>th</sup> February – 2<sup>nd</sup> March.**

**Sacred Heart:** Catriona Murphy, R.I.P.; Jacob Family Special Intention; Valentine Akujobi Special Intention.

**Our Lady:**

**By the small Crucifix:**

**Please pray for** Teresa Griffin, Kathleen Griffin, Franc Bili, Eddie Cannon, Eileen Hardie, Joshua Hubert, Sue Thomas, Margaret Whittle and all who are sick, for the repose of the souls of all who have died and for all whose anniversaries occur at this time. Please keep in your prayers the families of those who have died.

**Sacred Heart Prayer group** meets every Tuesday evening in the hall at 7:30 pm. Everyone is welcome

**ST PATRICK'S MASS** – There will be a Mass in celebration of St Patrick on Thursday 14th March at 7.30pm at Christ the King. Everyone is welcome to light refreshments and a get-together in the Library after. Organised by the Coventry Pioneer Association.

**COVENTRY COMHALTAS St PATRICKS DAY CEILI** Friday 15th March 2024 7.30-11.30pm Christ the King Club, Westhill Rd, Coventry CV6,2AA Adults £5.00 Children £2.50 Dancing to Innisfail Ceili Band (with Caller) Celtica Irish Dancers. For details please contact 07876 013590

**Offertory Donations to the Parish** The best way is by Standing Order (You can amend or cancel this with your bank at any time) **If you pay tax but don't yet Gift-Aid your donation, please ask for a form.**

### 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.

## 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Sacred Heart Parish and School.

Hello Everyone,

Please take the time to read through all of this; **your help is needed**. Further on you will see a photograph of a special plaque designed for our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary; if you look at any of the plaques we have on the benches, this special Anniversary plaque is about 4 times bigger. They cost £50 and can be ordered from the piety stall. A sample has been put up on the wall on the porch, by the doors into the church so you can see what they will look like. If you do want another one for your family in the same order will be £40. The idea is that the plaques will be fixed to the walls on either side of the doors into the Church, so as we all, and all visitors, enter our church they will see the story of the families who form our wonderful parish family of the Sacred Heart.

Our special Mass will be at 2.00pm on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June and the Archbishop has kindly agreed to come and celebrate the Mass. On that Sunday there will be no 10.30am Mass, so the only Mass on that Sunday will be at 2.00pm. The Coventry clergy will all be invited, and the school and parish music groups are already learning African and Cantonese hymns celebrating how wonderfully diverse we are, with more to come!

We are thinking of building a wooden cross which would go into the stump of the tree in the pedestrian entrance, by the gates, which runs up alongside the side of the church hall and the side of BTP. We're hoping to get some special transfers made which can be fixed to the window to the right side of the altar and also to the glass panels in the middle doors on the porch.

So, what ideas do you have? Please have a good think and let me know. It really is a very special event when the parish and the school are both celebrating together 100 years! After the Mass there will be food and festivities to make our celebration an event we will all remember for a long time.

Please have a think and let me know any ideas you have. You can email them to me or write them down and give them to me after Mass.

### The Plaques

On the next page is a photograph of the sample plaque and you can also see it on the wall by the doors into church.

**100<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY WALL PLAQUES**

As part of our celebrations this year the church will be creating an historic memory wall in the entrance hall. This is to celebrate the families that make up our parish, past and present and to leave a lasting piece of history for the generations to come.

The first plaque is now in place for you to see.

The cost of each 6 x 4 inch black aluminium plaque is £50. If you would like more than one plaque to celebrate different branches of your family the cost for additional plaques is reduced to £40 each. You are most welcome to pay by interest free instalments.

If you have any questions please see Sue or Paul at the piety stall.

All proceeds from the sale of the plaques go into the church funds.

Complete the form below and hand to Sue or Paul. Payment can be made by cash, cheque (Sacred Heart Church) or by cash/debit card. Payment by interest free instalments is also most welcome.

Plaques are available for everyone who would like to purchase one even if they have left the parish now but would like to be remembered as part of the parish of Sacred Heart.

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Family Name (one family per plaque) .....

If you would like to include the date your family has been associated with the parish please note that here. It is interesting from an historical perspective to include the date.

Year to be noted on the plaque .....

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*Fr. Tony.*

