



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 Pascal and Sue O'Malley. They can be contacted at: sg.sacredheart.covty@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.

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

Dear Parishioners,

****This week's newsletter has 2 extra pages****

The late Cardinal Martini wrote powerfully of Easter: *"In the Resurrection of Jesus Crucified, God makes Himself known in a different way than man first imagined Him..His giving of Himself to the point of loosing Himself..the Resurrection is a revelation of God as Trinity: of the Father who raised His Son to life..the Resurrection is the Father's great 'yes' to His Son as God as well as man.. that the power of self-giving unto death is divine.*

The Holy Spirit, the gift of the Risen Jesus to believers, makes all who are prisoners of their fear of death into free, courageous and loving witnesses to life. The Easter event..reveals a new face of God which appears as the Trinity..as intimacy, as gift of sonship, as company, as enthusiasm, as love, as fulness of life, as communication. And we, the Church celebrate this new image and knowledge of

God in history..by the way we make Him a lived experience and communicate our knowledge to others. A Church that is enthusiastic, prayerful, courageous, sacrificing, trusting, self-giving and loving; one that puts itself in the Father's hands."

Fr. Tony

4 th May 2025	
Third Sunday of Easter (C)	
CTS New Sunday Missal. p472 Preface II of Easter p563 Eucharistic Prayer 3 p613	
Saturday 5.00pm	Deceased members of the Leckenby Family
Sunday 10.30am	For all the people of the Parish
Monday 9.00am	James Connolly (Barbara MacIntyre)
Tuesday 9.00am	Brigid Sutton, R.I.P. 2 nd Anniversary (McCrea Family)
Wednesday 5.45pm 6.30pm After Mass	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Patricia Kirkwood and Jenny Fowler (Mary Henry) Scriptural Rosary for families
Thursday 9.00am 6.30pm	Mick Murrin Special Intention (Kitty O'Sullivan) Reception of Hannah (Noreen) Forde's body into Church
Friday 9.00am 1.00pm	Key Stage 2 will be joining us for 9.00am Mass Pulikkan Family Special Intention (Pulikkan Family) Requiem for Hannah (Noreen) Forde
Saturday 8.15am 9.00am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Hannah Forde, R.I.P. (The Kane Family)
Confessions	Saturday 9.30am – 10.00am and 4.30pm – 4.50pm
11 th May 2025	
Fourth Sunday of Easter (C)	
CTS New Sunday Missal. p477 Preface III of Easter p563 Eucharistic Prayer 3 p613	
Saturday 5.00pm	In Thanksgiving for 25 years of service at Sacred Heart School (Tony Henry & Family)
Sunday 10.30am	For all the people of the Parish



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Retiring collection for the Holy Places: £291.85

The Good Friday fast lunch raised £132 for CAFOD.

Next weekend Retiring collection for the Clergy Training Fund

Counters this week: Team C.

April 500 Club Draw. Total income £300.00 Total prizemoney £150.00. 1st Prize £90.00 No. 573 Mary Gannon; 2nd Prize £40.00 No. 27 Mrs E. Price; 3rd Prize £20.00 No. 844 Maurice O'Donoghue.

St Stanisław Kostka Church, Springfield Road, CV1 4GR will be hosting the relics of the Blessed Ulma family murdered in WW2. Christ the King will be hosting the relics this Wednesday 7th May. Their very powerful story is attached to this week's newsletter. Please scroll down to read, it is very moving.

Blessed Carlo Acutis Jacquie Stacey will share her wealth of knowledge of Carlo's story on Tuesday 13th May 6.00pm in Bishop Ullathorne Catholic Secondary School, Leasowe's Ave CV3 6BH. Please see poster for more information.

Red Missio boxes. Please can you return these so the monies can be counted and sent off.

"The Trustees of the Birmingham Diocesan Trust" are looking to recruit a skilled, Catholic volunteer with professional experience of safeguarding to join the Board of Trustees and chair the Safeguarding Sub-Committee. We'd welcome discussion with anyone interested in this important role - Further details available here [Safeguarding | Birmingham Diocesan Trust](https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/Pages/FAQs/Catagory/safeguarding) or copy and paste this link www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/Pages/FAQs/Catagory/safeguarding

St. Thomas More are holding a Couples retreat on 6th and 7th May. Please see posters in porch for more information.

Oscott College, our Diocesan Seminary in Sutton Coldfield, are trying to spread the news about the work they do, by getting people to sign up to their newsletter

at www.oscott.org. You will receive a monthly newsletter, as well as early access to the annual 'Oscotian Magazine' and events hosted at the college.

Come and See weekends with the Cistercian Nuns at Holy Cross Whitland, Pembrokeshire. Friday 30th May to Monday 2nd June and Friday 8th August to Monday 11th August. Please see poster in porch for more details **Charis** Rosary, Holy Mass, Confession, Spiritual Talk, Adoration, Praise and Worship. Every fourth Friday 6.00pm – 8.00pm in Corpus Christi Church, Langbank Avenue CV3 2QP. For more information please see poster in porch

WeBelieve, 25th-28th July 2025, a festival of Catholic Life celebrating the Jubilee Year of Hope, with parishes and families in mind. Four days of music, conversation & worship, in the beautiful surroundings of **St Mary's College, Oscott**, Sutton Coldfield. Early Bird Tickets available now at www.webeliefefestival.com

The Coventry Deanery LGBTQ+ group and Fr George have arranged a Sunday Vigil Welcome Mass for everyone at 5:00pm on Saturday 10 May 25 at St Patrick's, Deedmore Road. All welcome especially the LGBTQ+ community and their families and friends. Followed by tea, coffee and cake.

Sunday evening Mass in the Deanery. There is a Sunday evening Mass in St Osburg's at 6.00pm.

7-Day Candles: 3rd – 10th May

Sacred Heart: Alisha Family Protection.

Our Lady: Tincy Special Intention.

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

Please pray for Biagio Madia, Brendan Boylan, Maurice O'Donoghue, Reeja Xavier, Adolfo Miralles, Lily Zuccarino, Jorge Miralles, Jose Luis Miralles, Patience Whittaker, 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 Hannah Forde, and 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 7:30pm. Everyone is welcome

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.**

Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom. May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen

My name is Marek Marzański and I am a member of the Polish Parish in Coventry. I am writing to You on behalf of our parish priest Fr Romuald Szczodrowski and his pastoral council in the St Stanisław Kostka Church. We would like to inform You that our parish will be hosting the Relics of Blessed Ulma Family murdered by German occupiers during the II WW.

Józef and Wiktoria Ulma hid eight Jews on their farm in a small village Markowa, in the south-eastern part of Poland, providing for them shelter for a year and a half.

On March 24, 1944 the hiding Jews and the entire family i.e.: Józef, Wiktoria and their seven children were killed. The oldest child was less than 8 years old, the birth of the youngest began at the time of the execution.

In 1995, for their deeds, the family of Joseph and Wiktoria were honoured with the title "Righteous Among the Nations" by the Jewish Memorial Institute in Jerusalem - Yad Vashem.

In 2022, Pope Francis confirmed the decree of martyrdom of the Ulma Family, thus enabling their beatification, which took place on September 10, 2023 in Markowa.

This was the first time in history that an entire family was elevated to the glory of the altars. Another unprecedented fact is that never before the unborn child was also beatified.

Peregrination of the Relics in Poland began two weeks after the beatification, and till October 2024 the Relics visited all dioceses in the country. In April 2024 Polish Catholic Mission inaugurated peregrination in 79 Polish parishes in England and Wales; our St Stanisław Kostka Parish will be hosting the relics from the 3rd till 9th of May 2025.

We hope that the veneration will be an excellent opportunity to strengthen our spiritual life, to meet and pray together with fellow believers and to re-discover feelings of the catholic unity between parish families. We would like to invite members of every parish from Coventry and Nuneaton Deanery to join us in the St. Stanisław Kostka but we understand that there may be multiple real-life obstacles and that many people would prefer to pray, reflect-on and worship in the familiar environment of their own churches. However we are open to any suggestions and we trust that in the Jubilee Year, God will guide us in His own way to experience his love in Christ.

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In the first two days we will celebrate the presence of the Relics in our community. On Monday, 5th of May, a concert will be held at 3 pm in our Parish, to which we cordially invite you and your Parishioners. The concert's theme "The Choice" reflects the truth expressed by Victor Frankl: " Everything can be taken from a man but one thing - the last of the human freedoms - to choose one's attitude in any given set of circumstances".

In the following days there is a possibility of sharing the Relics - for one day - to honour them in your Parishes. There is also a possibility for one of our Parishioners - Mr Jerzy Drahun, born in Coventry - to tell earlier about the history of the Ulma Family. This is a unique opportunity , especially in the Jubilee Year, in which we are to be the Pilgrims of Hope.

Yours sincerely with thoughts and prayers
Marek Marzanski
MD KCSG.

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