

# St. Joseph the Worker

## Third Sunday of Easter

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Sunday, 15 <sup>th</sup> April <b>Third Sunday of Easter</b>	9.00 am 11.00 am 12.30 pm (University Chaplaincy) 5.00 pm	Eddie Kelly RIP Intentions of the Ordinariate Private Intention The People of the Parish	
Monday, 16 <sup>th</sup> April <i>Easter Feria</i>	10.00 am 7.00 pm	Agnes McGinley (Birthday) Fr. Paul's Intentions	
Tuesday, 17 <sup>th</sup> April <i>Easter Feria</i>	<b>No Mass Today</b>		
Wednesday, 18 <sup>th</sup> April <i>Easter Feria</i>	10.00 am <b>6.00 pm Reception of Elizabeth Conry</b> 7.00 pm	Forgotten Souls Mary Barrett (intentions)	
Thursday, 19 <sup>th</sup> April <i>Easter Feria</i>	<b>11.00 am Requiem Mass</b> 7.00 pm	Elizabeth Conry Fr. Paul's Intentions	
Friday, 20 <sup>th</sup> April <i>Easter Feria</i> Day of Prayer for the Dedication of St. Joseph the Worker Church	10.00 am 10.30-6.00 Exposition 6.00 pm Evening Prayer and Benediction	Mary Brogan	
Saturday, 21 <sup>st</sup> April Op. Memorial of St. Anselm, Bishop	10.00 am <b>followed by Exposition</b> <b>2.00 pm (Baptism)</b>	Fr. Paul's Intentions Charlie Harry Rogers	
Sunday, 22 <sup>nd</sup> April <b>Fourth Sunday of Easter</b> <i>World Day of Prayer for Vocations</i>	9.00 am 11.00 am 12.30 pm (University Chaplaincy) 5.00 pm	The People of the Parish Intentions of the Ordinariate Private Intention Esther Masterson RIP (Anniversary)	
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday, 10.30-11.30 am.			
Mass attendance last weekend: 219 Last week's first collection: £605.11; Gift Aid: £267.00. <b>Thank you.</b>	<b>Reading Rota</b>	<b>9am</b>	<b>5pm</b>
	Today	Mary Blay	Wendy Piper
	Next Week	Henry Whitney	John Mulvenna

Welcome to St. Joseph's today. We are still celebrating the Easter Season

The Easter Season began on Easter Sunday, and ends after Evening Prayer on Pentecost Sunday. These fifty days are a very special time and, as St. Athanasius wrote, they "are celebrated in joyful exultation as one feast day, or better as one great Sunday."

**Please pray for all the Sick of the Parish** including: Fr. Michael Jordan, Anne Doherty, John McKelvie, David Martin, Patsy Sarayar, Mary Smith, Dave Chimber, Kathleen Gavin, Mary and Danny Harrington, Phil Irwin, Bridget Cherry, Tom Murray, Tess Skerrett, Alice Horner, Gabrielle, Enid Butcher, Ann Kelly, Mari Meadowcroft, Terry Richards, Uthaya Swoboda, Brian McLaughlin, Beryl Poppett, Margaret Dunne, Val O'Leary, Keelin Treharne, Paddy Beausang, Pamela Read, Alison Kidman and Peter Kennedy.

**Those who have died.** Please pray for **Elizabeth Conry, John Paul Cassidy, Bob Jones, Mary McDonagh** and all who have died recently, and for all whose anniversaries occur about this time: Frs. Anthony Browne, Peter Moore, William Smith, Reginald Slade, Patrick Downey and Hugh Griffith and also Daniel Conway, William Noble, Bartholomew (Barty) Roche, Philip Campion, Joseph Bennet, Alice Gould, Bridget O'Neil, Mary Barr, Laurence Burlison, Eugene Kelly, Kathleen Hickey and Esther Masterson. May they rest in peace. Elizabeth Conry's funeral will be here on Thursday at 11.00am. Her body will be brought into the church on Wednesday evening at 6.00pm.

**Baptism.** On Saturday we welcome **Charlie Harry Rogers** into the Church through the Sacrament of Baptism. Please pray for Charlie and his family.

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[www.cathsocwarwick.wordpress.com](http://www.cathsocwarwick.wordpress.com)

[www.coventryordinariate.co.uk](http://www.coventryordinariate.co.uk)

The Sanctuary Candle is burning this week for a Special Intention.  
The Sacred Heart Candle is burning this week for the Cassidy Family.  
St. Joseph's Candle is burning this week for Peter Armin Swoboda.

### DEDICATION OF ST. JOSEPH'S

His Grace, Archbishop Bernard Longley, will dedicate our church on the Feast of St. Joseph the Worker, 1<sup>st</sup> May. That's only two weeks on Tuesday. Please pray hard for the parish. If you would like to make a contribution towards the costs of the Consecration there are some special envelopes in the porch. Thank you very much.

**So what *is* happening on Tuesday, 1<sup>st</sup> May?** It will be a very important day in the life of our parish; the day when our church is dedicated to the service of God and made ever-holy by the coming of the Holy Spirit. The Mass of Dedication will be celebrated by Archbishop Bernard, and the Priests of the Deanery will concelebrate, together with the Deacons. It will start at 7.00 in the evening. Before Mass there will be prayers from about 6.30pm, so please arrive in good time. We are expecting about 200 people to attend, including representatives from other parishes in the area and ecumenical guests. The Mass will probably last a bit over 2 hours. After Mass there will be refreshments served from the hall and a marquee in the garden, and there will be a celebration with fireworks (pray for good weather!).

**Help, please!** There are various lists at the back of church asking for practical help with the arrangements on 1<sup>st</sup> May. This includes preparing food, serving at the altar, car-park supervising, welcoming. **If you would like to come but need a lift (or if you know someone who needs a lift), please sign the sheet. If you can offer lifts, please sign up.** The more people who get involved, the more it is a celebration of our parish family.

**New Altar.** The new stone altar is now in place. We can't use it until the Mass of Dedication, and we shall continue to use the wooden altar. It may look a bit odd for a couple of weeks, but don't worry – it will work out!

**Parish Day of Recollection.** To help us to prepare as a parish for the Dedication of our church there will be a Day of Recollection here this Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> April. Start with Mass at 10.00am and there will be a talk, prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, closing with Benediction at 6.00pm. You've guessed it – there's a list to sign if you can commit to being here at a particular time, please.

**Rehearsal for servers and readers.** Fr. Dominic, the Archbishop's secretary, will be coming to St. Joseph's on Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> April, at 6.00 pm to make sure that everyone who is involved with the Mass of Dedication knows what they are doing. If that includes you please try to be available for this rehearsal on that evening. Thank you.

**Novena to St. Joseph.** We always pray a Novena to St. Joseph the Worker in the nine days prior to the Feast on 1<sup>st</sup> May, for our Parish and for guidance for the future, but obviously this year it has a special meaning for us. We shall start next Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup> April. There are copies of the Novena prayer on the table at the back of the church, please take copies for yourself and others who may want one.



**Music Practice.** There will be a practice for the music for the Mass of Dedication tomorrow (Monday) evening at 8.00pm. All welcome.

**Walsingham Pilgrimage.** A coach will leave Christ the King for the Diocesan Walsingham Pilgrimage on Saturday, 12<sup>th</sup> May, at 8.00am. There will be no other pickup points. Payment will be in advance and places can be booked through Fiona at Christ the King Parish Office (024 76 591618). Cost will be £15 per person, and this includes the Diocesan Affiliation fee.

#### 200 Club winners:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Prize, £15: No. 11; Maria Vaughan.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize, £5: No. 79; Anne Burke.

**Medugorje Youth Festival, 31st July - 7th Aug.** There will be a meeting at St Thomas More, in the Margaret Roper Room, at 5.00pm next Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup> April. It will include a brief history, informal discussion on the trip and prayers. Mass to follow, all welcome.

**A message from CAFOD.** "Thank you for your support to our Lent Fast Day appeal. Donations to CAFOD until 12<sup>th</sup> May will be doubled by the UK Government. We have planned a £5 million programme to combat malnutrition - and with it we hope to be able to reach 245,000 people. But we need the full amount of match funding to make it happen. You can help us reach the full amount needed for this crucial programme. We still have some way to go yet! To donate please go to [cafod.org.uk/lent](http://cafod.org.uk/lent)"

**Liturgy Matters!** The Society of St Gregory are holding a Spring Gathering Day at St Thomas More's Church on Saturday, 5<sup>th</sup> May, 10.00–4.30, with talks, liturgies and workshops. There will be a particular focus on planning and preparing for Mass. All welcome, particularly anyone involved in parish ministry. The day will begin with registration at 10.00am and Morning Prayer at 10.15. Mgr Kevin McGinnell will look at the basic principles and explore what is needed for a worthy celebration of Mass. The workshops will be in the afternoon. The day will end with Mass. The cost is £10 per person (bring your own packed lunch). Bookings by calling Mary Rouse (07540 532785) or emailing [bookings@ssg.org.uk](mailto:bookings@ssg.org.uk)

**Tailpiece:** Five-year-old Brian had a vital part to play in his Easter school assembly: it was his job to announce "He is not here; he is risen" (Luke 24:6). Unfortunately, he forgot what to say, and the teacher had to whisper it to him. He then confidently grabbed the microphone and shouted, "He's not here; he's in prison!"

**May God bless you and all those whom you love.**

**Fr. Harry**