

WALK WITH ME BOOKLETS AND CALENDARS FOR ADVENT & CHRISTMASTIDE are available at the back of Church, please take one with you when you are going home.

TO ALL READERS AND MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST: A new rota has now been drawn up and is now displayed on the porch notice board and in the Sacristy. Individual copies are also available in the Sacristy. Will you note that if you are unable to fill your designated slot on the rota can you please arrange with another Reader or Eucharistic Minister to cover for you. Readers/ Eucharistic ministers are required for the Christmas Period- Can you please put your name down on if you are available on the notice board. Thank you for your continued support for the Parish.

COVENTRY PIONEER REGIONAL COMMITTEE AGM on Monday 28th November in the Pioneer Hall, Broad Street, Coventry. Commencing with Mass at 7.30pm for the intention of the late Bishop John Mone and the deceased members of the Association.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION: On Tuesday, 29th November, at 6.00pm Mass, Rt. Rev. William Kenney, our Auxiliary Bishop will come to visit our Parish and confirm the children of our Parish. It will be a joyful event of the Parish Community. Please pray for all candidates and their families. May the Holy Spirit, who poured out his gifts upon the Apostles at the beginning of the Church, continue to pour his gifts upon them, to lead them and to protect them on their journey of faith.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR AND CHRISTMAS DRAW: On behalf of the Parishioners, Fr. Louis would like to thank all those who spent their time and helped in any way with the Bazaar and the Draw by donating gifts, preparing everything for the Bazaar, working on stalls or coming along to support the Bazaar of the Parish. We also give thanks to the Staff of Our Lady of the Assumption School, all the children and their families, who supported the Bazaar. It was a most enjoyable event and the total will be announced next week and the raffle results are available at the back of Church.

CHRISTMAS PARTY FOR SENIOR CITIZENS: The party will be held on **Sunday 11th December**, from **3pm to 5pm** in the Parish Hall. Anyone wishing to attend please put your name, contact details and whether you require help with transport on the list at the back of Church. Please contact Frances on 01676 534861 or Maura on 024 7667 3024 for more details.

PARCELS FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH: Sandra Hagan and friends will be holding a Beanie & Bags (hats and bags) and other crafts sale after Mass on the 10th and 11th December to buy a Christmas gift for the sick of the parish list. All items on sale will be hand-crafted. If you know of a person who you think would like to receive a gift please see Sandra or Michelle Keogh.

NEW PARISH MASS BOOK: This weekend is the 1st Sunday of Advent, the New Year of the Church. We will change another set of Mass Book, Year A, volume 1. Please use it with care so that we may use it for many years to come. Thank you.

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FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT – YEAR A.

Reading Year A Parish Mass Book P. 82 - Psalter week 1

Preface 1 of Advent - Eucharistic Prayer II.

Sunday 27th November 2016

"Stay away so that you may be ready"

(Mt. 24:44.)

Dear Parishioners, the New Church Year begins with Evening Prayer I of the 1st Sunday of Advent. The season of Advent is a time to prepare for Christmas and for the 2nd coming of the Jesus. It is also an opportunity to reflect on how do we prepare to live with Jesus in our daily lives. Today's readings deal with the end of time. They call us to wake up and to stay awake because we do not know the day or the hour when Jesus will return. We are on a journey to the end, we need to prepare something for it. Many of us use time to prepare for material life and often neglect to prepare for spiritual life like people in Noah's time. What should be our attitude as Christians in dealing with the 3 comings of Christ and how should we prepare for his coming?

Mass times and Intentions:

Saturday	26th	05.00pm	Frank & Nancy Fahy - RIP.
Sunday	27th	First Sunday of Advent, Year A.	
		10.00am	Patrick Kelleher - RIP.
		04.00pm	The Blessing of the Crib at Coventry C. C.
Monday	28th	09.00am	Gerry Seary - Ann.
Tuesday	29th	09.15am	Peggy Kelleher - Get well.
		06.00pm	Confirmation
Wednesday	30th	<i>Feast of St. Andrew, Apostle.</i>	
		09.00am	Eucharistic Service.
Thursday	01st	<i>Feast of St. Edmund Campion, Priest & Martyr.</i>	
		12.00pm	Eileen Costello & Gavin McLaughlin - Ints.
1st Friday	02nd	09.00am	Con Twomey - Ints.
		<i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after Mass.</i>	
Saturday	03rd	<i>Memorial of St. Francis Xavier, Priest.</i>	
		10.00am	John Burke - RIP.
		05.00pm	Kathleen Corcoran - Ann. Terry Bennett - Ann.
Sunday	04th	Second Sunday of Advent, Year A.	
		10.00am	Sean O'Donoghue - RIP.

CONFESSIONS Saturday After morning Mass & evening Mass.

BAPTISM & WEDDINGS: By appointment.

E. MINISTERS	Saturday	05.00pm	C. Morris /MW. Harper.
03rd & 04th December	Sunday	10.00am	O. McGinnity/N. Harte/D. McAree.
READERS	Saturday	05.00pm	A. Pegg
03rd & 04th December	Sunday	10.00am	C.Knox / H. Tigbe.

LAST WEEK OFFERTORY: £470.77 (Including Gift Aid)

GIFT AID: £218.70.

CATHOLIC YOUTH SERVICES: £145.29. Thank you for your generosity.

**SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND IS FOR THE PARISH DEBT
A 2ND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND FOR THE POOR PARISHES.**

TEA & COFFEE IN THE PARISH HALL after 10.00am Mass to support "Mary's Meals"

CLEANING ROTA for Wednesday 30th November 2016 - Parish Team.

COUNTING TEAM next Sunday 04th December 2016 - The McAree Team.

DIVINE MERCY PRAYERS & EXPOSITION: Thursday's 11am - 11.45am.

RCIA (Journey of Faith): Every Monday at 7pm in the Presbytery.

GOSPEL SHARE: Thursday Evening in the Meeting Room at 7pm.

NO CATECHESIS: Every Saturday. Lessons will be held weekly from **11-12pm** and from **12-1pm** for all candidates and those attending non-Catholic School. Please contact Christine Knox at 02476 468732 to enrol.

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK AND ELDERLY OF OUR PARISH: Jim O'Brien, Mary Hewson, Maureen Daly, Kathleen Malinovskis, Mary Hayes, Keith Evans, Madeline Huntbach, Maureen Weir, Bridie Cooke, Phyllis Sage, Michael O'Brien, Noreen McCarthy, Christina Di Maria, Kathleen Cashman, John Cashman, Vi Donoghue, Maria Fletcher, Rene Costelloe, Mary A Hayes, Robert Dick, John Doran, Ellen Wynne, Nora Noonan, Peter O'Hara, Margaret Wess, Edith Jonnis, Lynda Thomas, Vanessa Antonio, Mavis Booth, Margaret Hall, James Lloyd-Cameron, Susan Cowley, William Chaplin, Mary Brophy and Rev. Michael Wright.

ANNIVERSARIES: Mary Agnes McCabe, Richard O'Dea, Joseph Rose, Julia Mary Gately, Phyllis M. Edwards, Edward Shanley, Mick Collins, Jan Zyntex, Terry Bennett, Kathleen Hegarty, Miriam Catherine Maud Perera, Lisa Grant, Michael Sullivan, Frank & Lee Carpenter, Thomas W. Colmer and John Francis David Costelloe.

THE BLESSING OF THE CRIB: Each year the Catholic Parishes in Coventry present a Crib as a witness to the meaning of Christmas, the coming of our Saviour. This event will take place on the 1st Sunday of Advent at 4pm in the Precinct, between Marks & Spencer and British Home Stores. Children from our schools will be leading us in Carols. You are warmly invited to come and join in the Carol Service with children from our schools, during which the Crib will be blessed. Please join in this joyful witness.

YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR the repose of the soul of **Susan Cowley**, Peter Tolan's sister who died on the 24th November at Warwick's Myton Hospice. May she rest in peace.

BISHOP ULLATHORNE On Wednesday 14 December, Bishop Ullathorne will be holding a Christmas Party in school for senior citizens in the parish. Starting at 1.15pm, the afternoon will be full of carols, food, games and more. The afternoon will finish at 2.45pm. Transport will be available, collecting from your parish church, at 12.45pm, if required. Please inform Michelle Keogh if you would like to attend. The Bishop Ullathorne Community Christmas party will be a great way to get into the festive spirit and celebrate across the generations.