

St. Joseph the Worker

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

19th February, 2017



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Sunday, 19 th February Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.00 am 11.00 am 12.30 pm (University Chaplaincy) 5.00 pm	<i>The De Souza Family (in thanksgiving)</i> <i>Intentions of the Ordinariate</i> <i>The People of the Parish</i> <i>John Paul Brogan RIP</i>	
Monday, 20 th February	10.00 am 12.00 pm	<i>Bridget Green (Birthday)</i> <i>Requiem Mass for Ronald Overton</i>	
Tuesday, 21 st February <i>Op. Memorial of St. Peter Damian, Bishop</i>	No Mass Today		
Wednesday, 22 nd February <i>Feast of the Chair of St. Peter, Apostle</i>	10.00 am	<i>Daniel Mullen RIP (Anniversary)</i>	
Thursday, 23 rd February <i>Memorial of St. Polycarp, Bishop, Martyr</i>	10.00 am 12.30 pm (University Chaplaincy)	<i>Valerie & Patrick McKeown</i> <i>Private Intention</i>	
Friday, 24 th February	10.00 am 12.30 pm (University Chaplaincy)	<i>Elizabeth Conry (intentions)</i> <i>Private Intention</i>	
Saturday, 25 th February	10.00 am followed by Exposition	<i>Fr. Michael Jordan (Birthday)</i>	
Sunday, 26 th February Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.00 am 11.00 am 12.30 pm (University Chaplaincy) 5.00 pm	<i>Jim Brennan & Michael John Higgins RIP</i> <i>(Anniversary)</i> <i>Intentions of the Ordinariate</i> <i>The People of the Parish</i> <i>Michael O'Malley RIP</i>	
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday, 10.30-11.00 am.			
Mass attendance last weekend: 184		Reading Rota	9am
Gift Aid secretary: Peter Kennedy, Tel: 76411002.		Today	Val Edge
Last week's first collection: £509.46; Gift Aid: £179.50.		Next Week	Peter O'Brien
Direct Debit Donations (January): £239.00.			Bob Pryce
Racial Justice Sunday: £202.30. Thank you.			

Welcome to St. Joseph's Church

Please pray for all the Sick of the Parish including: Anne and Abie Doherty, Bob Jones, John McKelvie, David Martin, Anne Healy, Patsy Sarayar, Mary Smith, Dave Chimber, Kathleen Gavin, Danny Harrington, Phil Irwin, Kath Kearney, Ann Bullock, Bridget Cherry, Betty Mulvaney, Tom Murray, Eddie Kelly, Tess Skerrett, Alice Horner, Enid Butcher, Ann Kelly, Mari Meadowcroft, David Barnes, Terry Richards, Eleanor Oldham, Eileen Kennedy, Uthaya Swoboda, Gabrielle, Brian McLaughlin, Beryl Poppett, Margaret Dunne, Val O'Leary, Keelin Treharne, Ron Hamilton and Ted Rodgers.

Those who have died. Please pray for **Mgr. Paul Donovan, Ronald Overton** and all who have died recently, and all those whose anniversaries occur about this time: Bishop Joseph Francis Cleary, Canons William Roughan and Sean McTernan, Frs. Alexander McGavin, Francis Coyle, Sean Farrell, James Wharton, Michael McCabe, Martin Meagher, John Collins and James Cooney and also Patrick McCormack, Paddy Griffin, Martha Brady, Jack McGrath, Marie Chinn, Catherine Ewing, Patrick Burke, Danny Mullen, James McGough, Patrick Hughes, Kathleen Colledge, John Gill, Kathleen Ann Crichton, Olive Costello, Ruby Clarke and Carol Hughes. May they rest in peace.

We shall be singing the Sanctus at the 9.00 Mass today. The words are:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, holy, holy Lord God of hosts,
Heaven and earth, heaven and earth, are full of your glory, are full of your glory
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest (2).

Blessed, blessed is he who comes, (2) Blessed is he, blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest (2).

Parish Annual Accounts. Tony Scanlon, the Chair of our Parish Finance Committee, will give a short presentation of the accounts at Mass today.

This Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham: Registered Charity No. 234216

www.coventry-catholicdeanery.org.uk/sjtw

www.cathsocwarwick.wordpress.com

www.coventryordinariate.co.uk

**The Sanctuary Candle is burning this week for Abie Doherty (get well).
Our Lady's Candle is burning this week for the Homeless.
St. Joseph's Candle is burning this week for David Barnes.**

Lent 2017. Lent begins in just over a week's time, so how are you going to enter into the spirit of the holy season of grace?

The Ashes that we are marked with on Ash Wednesday (1st March) are made from the palms from the previous Palm Sunday. So if you have palms that we could use, please let me have them this week and we shall have the burning of the palms after Mass next Sunday (weather permitting). Thank you.



Lent House Masses. In the last few years I have celebrated Mass in parishioners' homes in different parts of the parish. I should like to do this again this Lent. If you would like/be willing to be a host for a House Mass,

please let me know; it means inviting your Catholic neighbours (non-Catholics are welcome too) to come to your home. Ask them to bring some refreshments for a simple shared meal after Mass.

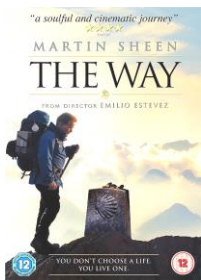
Prayer petitions. I shall invite you to write out any petition that you would like the rest of us to pray for and post it on the board at the back of the church. Please include the petitions in your daily prayers.

Walk With Me Booklets. These are available in the porch, together with Lent calendars. They are a good aid to daily prayer and reflection.



Stations of the Cross. We shall meditate on the Stations together each Sunday in Lent, 4.15 pm.

Lectio Divina. We tried this last year and it grew in popularity as Lent went on. We shall meet on Wednesday evenings for half an hour after the 7.00pm Mass to reflect and pray about a passage of the Bible.



"The Way". Next Friday evening we shall watch this film in the parish hall as a preparation to taking part in **"The Long Road To Heaven"**, a Lent course that is based on the film starring Martin Sheen walking the Way of St. James to Santiago de Compostela. This is something different and, I think, rather exciting. We shall begin at 7.00pm with a simple meal together and

then watch the film starting at 7.30 pm. **Please note the change of time.** All welcome.

Later on in Lent there will be an Afternoon of Recollection for Eucharistic Ministers, on Saturday, 1st April, 12.00-4.00 pm, in the church and parish hall, in preparation for renewal of their ministry on Maundy Thursday. Light refreshments will be provided. All Eucharistic Ministers are welcome, please let me know if you are able to come.

Parish Penance Service. On Wednesday, 5th April, before the evening Mass at 6.00 pm.

200 Club winners: 1st Prize, £15: No. 54, Lesley O'Connell; 2nd Prize, £5: No. 30, Lesley O'Connell.

THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH
I. "I BELIEVE IN ONE GOD"
200. These are the words with which the Niceno-Constantinopolitan Creed begins. The confession of God's oneness, which has its roots in the divine revelation of the Old Covenant, is inseparable from the profession of God's existence and is equally fundamental. God is unique; there is only one God: "The Christian faith confesses that God is one in nature, substance and essence."

Welcome today to Monsignor Newton, the man in charge of the Ordinariate community in this country. He is making a pastoral visit to the Coventry Ordinariate.

Eucharistic Ministers' Training. Next Saturday I shall be running a training day here for some of the students from the University. If anyone would like to join them please speak to me about it.

Gaynor Smith's Profession As Oblate. Following a year's discernment as a novice Oblate of the Benedictine Adorers of the Sacred Heart of Jesus of Montmartre, Gaynor will be admitted as an Oblate at Tyburn Convent in London next Saturday. Many congratulations to Gaynor, and please keep her in your prayers.

CAFOD Live Simply, tomorrow evening, Monday, 7.45-9.15pm at St Thomas More Church, 112 Knoll Drive, (CV3 5DE). Light refreshments served from 7.30pm. Learn how parish communities may live simply, sustainably and in solidarity with the poor. For more info contact Elizabeth Wignall on ewignall@cafod.org.uk

- News from the (Diocesan) Kenelm Youth Trust:**
- 1) **Lourdes 2017 Diocesan Pilgrimage,** 27th May – 3rd June. Open to young people aged 14-25. Coach and air travel option available. For full details visit: www.bcys.co.uk
 - 2) **FLAME 2017 at the SSE Arena, Wembley, 11th March.** The Largest National Catholic Youth Event of 2017! Cost: £35, all inclusive. Go to: maria.bracken@kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk

Remember: refreshments are available after the 9.00 Mass in the Parish Hall, and on Saturday mornings.

Tailpiece. This letter was in a national daily newspaper: "Concerning George Brown, there is a story how, after a particularly convivial dinner, he crossed the floor and bowed low to a fellow diner, saying: 'Beautiful Lady in Red, will you please dance this waltz with me?' The reply came: 'I fear not, Sir, for three reasons. Firstly, I think you are too drunk to dance. Secondly, this is not a waltz, but someone's National Anthem. And thirdly, because I am not a Beautiful Lady in Red, but the Papal Nuncio!'"

**May God bless you and all those you love.
Fr. Harry**