

# SAINT JOHN FISHER PARISH

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## **Today We Celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family** Cycle B: 631 or 101 (new), 509 (old)

**Responsorial Psalm:** He, the Lord, is our God  
He remembers his covenant for ever.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia!  
At various times in the past, and in various ways,  
God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets;  
but in our time, the last days, he has spoken to us through his Son.  
Alleluia!

### **The celebrations of Mass and Mass intentions for the coming week:**

Sat 30 <sup>th</sup> Dec	6.30 pm	Ints of the Beard family: Betty Nordone: Michael Jordan & dec'd Brady family
Sun 31 <sup>st</sup> Dec	9.30 am	Ints of Peg Doody: Len & Mary Gibbs: Sid & Catherine Ashton; David Connor: Hastings & Grady families:
	11.30 am	Michael Carr: Michael Cullinan & Ints of Chris Horton
	9.00 am	Patrick Doherty: Patrick Hoban: Sarah Grant: Pat O'Donnell
	11.00 am	Laurie & Betty Hunt: Ints of Mike & Eileen Butler: Dec'd Wright, Dunne & Moroney families
Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> Jan 2018	<b>10.00 am</b>	<b>Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God</b> Ken Brown: Jim Connor
Tues 2 <sup>nd</sup> Jan		<b>Feast of Ss Basil and Gregory</b> Eilish Carragy: Eileen Haton
	9.00 am	Elizabeth Joyce: Ints of the Wakefield family
Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup> Jan	9.00 am	Danny Durkan: Elizabeth Chong
Thurs 4 <sup>th</sup> Jan	<b>7.00 pm</b>	<b>Padre Pio Mass</b> Bill Herman: Mary Dunham
Fri 5 <sup>th</sup> Jan	9.00 am	Bridie Holton: Charlie Grant: Theresamma Joseph
	2.15 pm	<i>Requiem of Gerard (Gerry) McLarnon</i>
Sat 6 <sup>th</sup> Jan	10.00 am	Kath Harkin: Anne Dooley
	6.30 pm	Richard Taylor: Anna & George Caines: Tom Wood: Ints of Andy & Patsy Burke: Rose O'Hare
Sun 7 <sup>th</sup> Jan		<b>The Epiphany of the Lord</b> Tom Grant: Dec'd O'Loughlin, Delaney & Hynes families
	9.30 am	Paddy O'Neill: Dec'd Norman family: Luke Taylor
	11.30 am	

Date	Time	Reader	Eucharistic Minister
30 <sup>th</sup> Dec	6.30 pm	Daniel Horsley, James Carroll	Katie Pethullis, Steven Bruneau, Terry Breeze
31 <sup>st</sup> Dec	9.30am	Bernadette Billane, Dona Bitaj	Adrienne Pilbin, Mary Malone, Carmel Murray
	11.30am	Joseph Reynolds, Linda Edge	Mary Ogilvie, Bernadette Norman,
6 <sup>th</sup> Jan	6.30 pm	Christine, David	Maureen Steedman, Rose Trill, Chris Grimes
7 <sup>th</sup> Jan	9.30am	Luise Ivens, Francis Pace	Brid Conmy, Luise Ivens, Tony Wilson
	11.30am	Carolyn Butler, Mary Ogilvie	Alan Drakeford, Sarah Shearer, Anne Cable-Barnard

**Exposition & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament**  
**Tuesday:**  
**8.30am – 10am**  
**Sacrament of Reconciliation**  
**Sat: 9.30-9.50am**

### **Prayers have been requested for the sick of our parish community:**

Jackie Barry, Jackie McDonnell, Elaine McDougall, Kristian Metcalfe, Thomas Monaghan, Nicola Coyle, Frank McCann, Christopher, Karen Cave, Steven Kennedy, David Tuson, Liam Cullinane, Megan-Jane Smith, Cynthia Goddard, William Kennedy, Mary Bradley, Christopher Browne, Sharon Lally, Margaret Buckley, Mary Cremins, Patricia and Marc Mulqueen-Wood, Elizabeth Calvert, Bailly Hill, Dot Breeze, Bernadette Norman, Mary McKeown, Cathy O'Toole, Mason Lee, Christopher Browne, Brian Haworth, Victoria Jewel (Breeze), Kirsty Coyle, Gerry Mullery, Roderick Lomas, Sarah Reynolds, Isla Gibbs, Jane Marron, Marian Tuson, Eileen Cassidy, Lawrence O'Brien, Liam Connolly, Garry Hole, Bridget Robinson, Michael Ward, Derek Coyle, Michael Foster, Bethany Windmill, Khalid Adams, Sinead Hart, Eddie Bennett, Steve Winfield, Sheila Sedgely, Iain Connell, Bill Hamilton, Adele Callinan, Rita Lynch, John McCann, Sarah McCallum, Laura Somers, Maraid George, John Delaney, Hugh McAteer, Martin Kavanagh, Teresa Lilley, John Dorrington, Sally McCormack, Tracey Lilley, Tom McGrath, Mark Coyle, Ann McAnespie, Chris Horton, Jackie MacManus, Karen Pattison, William Hearne, Michael Kelly (Solihull), Nancy Gateley, Imelda Lydon, Katherine Kavanagh, Callum Paton, Maurice Weir, Mindi Devi, Andrea Kennedy, Liam Kennedy

#### **Lamp Lit at Sacred Heart Shrine:**

This week for the Ints of Gerry Mullery:  
Next week for the Ints of the Daly family

#### **Lamp Lit at St Joseph's Shrine**

This week for Ints of the Martin family  
Next week for the Ints of Mary & Jim

#### **Lamp lit at Our Lady's Shrine:**

This week for the Ints of Jackie & Simon  
Next Week for 1) Dec'd McClurg family: 2) Richard Taylor

#### **Lamp Lit at St Anthony's Shrine**

This week for the Ints of the Jackson family  
Next week for the Ints of Sheila & Maurice

*Candles Lit at Shrines available in Jan*  
Candles cost £3.50

**Last Week's Collection:** £1057.11 Thank you very much.

**Tote Result:** 24<sup>th</sup> December Nos 6 and 36 Congratulations to the sole winner who receives £30.

**Please pray for the repose of the souls of those who have died recently,** especially for Wayne Wilson, for Gerard (Gerry) McLarnon (Requiem 5th Jan at 2.15 pm) and for Maria Balduck (Requiem on 19<sup>th</sup> Jan) *May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen*

Luise Ivens and family would like to thank everyone for their prayer cards and support in the recent loss of her son, Richard.

## NOTICES AND DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### **ST BERNADETTE'S TRUST LOURDES PILGRIMAGE**

April 2<sup>nd</sup> – April 6<sup>th</sup> 2018  
Price £560.00 based on 2 sharing.  
Contact Paul O'Donnell 07971453113 for more detail or see poster in porch

### **Crib Appeal:**

Your offering this Advent will help to sustain the work of Fr Hudson's Care, particularly in its role as an adoption agency helping people separated from their birth families.

### **FATHER HUDSON'S FUNDRAISING BALL:**

Sat 17<sup>th</sup> Feb. 7.30 pm – 1 am. National Conference Centre Birmingham. £40 or £37 if aged 30 or under.

Call 01675434015 or email [fundraising@fatherhudsons.org.uk](mailto:fundraising@fatherhudsons.org.uk) for details or tickets.

### **CARDINAL WISEMAN SCHOOL is consulting on proposed admission arrangements for 2019/20 and beyond.**

A draft admissions policy can be viewed on the school website [www.cardinalwiseman.coventry.sch.uk/information/admissions](http://www.cardinalwiseman.coventry.sch.uk/information/admissions) or from **Cardinal Wiseman School**.

Comments on the consultation should be submitted to Mr Thomas Leverage at the school or by email to [TLeverage@cardinalwiseman.coventry.sch.uk](mailto:TLeverage@cardinalwiseman.coventry.sch.uk)

**Consultation runs from 13<sup>th</sup> Dec to 24<sup>th</sup> January.**

### **MESSAGE FROM ARCHBISHOP BERNARD**

*Do you support Catholic schools and the right of Catholics to send their children to them? Then we need your voice heard.*

*The Government is making a critical decision on whether to overturn the admissions cap which prevents schools from allowing all Catholic pupils to attend. They have acknowledged that this policy discriminates against Catholics and promised to abandon it, now we need you to tell them not to u-tune on their promise to Catholics.*

Visit <http://catholicnews.org.uk/education-cap> to write to the Government and urge them to drop their policy which bans new Catholic schools.

### **ROMERO CATHOLIC ACADEMY VACANCY**

The Archdiocese, in partnership with the Academy, wishes to appoint a Foundation Director. Please contact Rebecca Tonks [r.tonks@bdes.org.uk](mailto:r.tonks@bdes.org.uk)

### **WORK AID:**

See leaflets in porch to **donate old tools and equipment**.  
Contact Brian 01675 481535 [admin@workaid.org](mailto:admin@workaid.org)

### **EUCARIST AND THE FAMILY DAY:**

Days run in preparation for the World Meeting of Families.  
See poster at back of church.

### **OFFERING HOPE WHEN THE CRADLE IS EMPTY:**

Leaflets are available at the back of church.

### **USED STAMPS FOR MYTON HOSPICE and ITEMS for COVENTRY FOODBANK :**

Any donations gratefully received. Please give stamps to Fr Bob and leave items for the Foodbank in the porch. Your generosity is very much appreciated.

### **CLUSTER BOMBS: a message from the Justice & Peace group**

Four years ago, the West Midlands Pension Fund was making investments (with your money) in 4 cluster bomb producers. Please contact Cllr John Mutton to support his call for action on [john.mutton@coventry.gov.uk](mailto:john.mutton@coventry.gov.uk)

### **MEDJUGORJE IRISH CENTRE PILGRIMAGE 2018**

7 nights B&B and airport shuttle service from 279 Euros.  
Call 014434510 or email [reservations@med-irishcentre.com](mailto:reservations@med-irishcentre.com) for more details or to book.

### **DEANERY APP**

A **free App** for your Android / Apple iPhone for the Coventry Deanery giving you information for all the Coventry Parishes. Just go to your App store and search for **Coventry Catholic Deanery**

### **Admission to Primary Education**

Children born between 1st September 2013 and 31st August 2014 are eligible to start school in September '18. Parents are able to apply online from 1st September.

**Closing date for receipt of applications is 15th January 2018.**

Contact: Admissions and Benefits Team:  
[www.coventry.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.coventry.gov.uk/admissions) 02476 831613

### **DATES FOR 2018**

Wed 14 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Ash Wednesday
Fri 30 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Good Friday
Sun 1 <sup>st</sup> April	Easter Sunday
2 <sup>nd</sup> – 6 <sup>th</sup> April	Lourdes – St Bernadette's Trust

### **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION DATES**

St John Fisher	Sat 19 <sup>th</sup> May	10.30 am
	Sat 9 <sup>th</sup> June	10.30 am
St Gregory's	Sun 10 <sup>th</sup> June	11.30 am

### **CONFIRMATION DATES**

St John Fisher	Wed 20 <sup>th</sup> June	7.00 pm
	Sun 8 <sup>th</sup> July	11.30 am
St Gregory's	Sun 15 <sup>th</sup> July	11.30 am

### **LIGHT RELECTION**

For this new year, Lord, I pray:

May your love  
dwell in our hearts

May your joy  
Shine in our minds.

May your peace  
Abide in our lives,  
In our homes,  
In our families,  
In our workplace,  
Everywhere!

That your kingdom may come  
A little closer to all  
And our world will be a better place.  
Amen

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On New Year's Eve, Daniel was in no shape to drive, so he sensibly left his van in the car park and walked home. As he was wobbling along, he was stopped by a policeman. 'What are you doing out here at four o'clock in the morning?' asked the police officer.

'I'm on my way to a lecture,' answered Roger.  
'And who on earth, in their right mind, is going to give a lecture at this time on New Year's Eve?' enquired the constable sarcastically.  
'My wife,' slurred Daniel grimly.

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May all your troubles last as long as your New Year's resolutions.

**Happy New Year and God Bless!**