

University of Warwick Chaplaincy

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4th February, 2018

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(Mass times this week, at St. Joseph's unless otherwise stated)

Sunday, 4 th February Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.00 am 11.00 am 12.30 pm (University Chaplaincy) 5.00 pm	Jerry Donovan RIP (Anniversary) Intentions of the Ordinariate The People of the Parish Maureen & Lawrence Curtin
Monday, 5 th February Memorial of St. Agatha, Martyr	10.00 am 7.00 pm	Frank Baynes (get well) Fr. Paul's Intentions
Tuesday, 6 th February Mem. of St. Paul Miki & Comps, Martyrs	No Mass Today	
Wednesday, 7 th February	7.00 pm	Mrs. Conry
Thursday, 8 th February Optional Memorials of St. Jerome Emiliani or St. Josephine Bakhita Day for Victims of Trafficking	10.00 am 12.30 pm (University Chaplaincy) 7.00 pm	Doreen Ryan Private Intention Fr. Paul's Intentions
Friday, 9 th February	10.00 am 12.30 pm (University Chaplaincy)	Breda Dowling Private Intention
Saturday, 10 th February Memorial of St. Scholastica	10.00 am followed by Exposition	In Thanksgiving (Harrison)
Sunday, 11 th February Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.00 am 11.00 am 12.30 pm (University Chaplaincy) 5.00 pm	Margaret Nottingham RIP (Anniversary) Intentions of the Ordinariate The People of the Parish Lil, Steven & Elizabeth Curtin
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday, 10.30-11.00 am.		

Welcome to our celebration of Mass today.

Today in the Gospel Jesus proclaims the Gospel of Life to a people dwelling in darkness, and they receive it joyfully. The same Gospel is proclaimed to us, if only we open our hearts to accept it.

Prayer Before Mass

God our Father, you sent Jesus, our High Priest, to redeem us and you willed that His saving work should continue through the ministry of priests. Enlighten us to celebrate this Sunday Mass with our priest, so that, empowered by the Word of life and the Eucharist, we may be strengthened by the Holy Spirit to live to the full our Christian calling. We ask this through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Ash Wednesday. On 14th February there will be an ecumenical service of ashing here in the Chaplaincy at 12.30. All welcome to come and start our Lenten fast together and ask God to bless us.

Altar Servers. We need more people to become active in the liturgy and life of our community here in the Chaplaincy. If you would like to learn how to serve during Mass, or if you would like to help with reading at Mass, please speak to Marianne after Mass today, or if you can give some support to the music, please speak to Naomi. Thank you.

Women's World Day of Prayer, there will be a service at 11.00 am on Friday, 2nd March, at Warwick Road United Reformed Church in Coventry with the theme, "All God's Creation Is Good." There will also be a service at Earlsdon Methodist Church at 7.00 pm on the same day, led by the CE/TEC churches (All Souls, St. Barbara's, St. Mary Magdalen's, Hearsall Baptist and Earlsdon Methodist). All are welcome at each event.

ACTA. "Deaconesses and leadership roles for women in the Church - is anything changing?" A talk by Dr Oonagh O'Brien of the Margaret Beaufort Institute, Cambridge. On Sunday, February 25th, 1.30 for 2pm start, at St Mary's Parish Centre, Harborne B17 0DN. No charge, everyone welcome, an ACTA event. For more information email mjriordan@hotmail.co.uk

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Lent 2018. Lent will begin on Ash Wednesday, 14th February – that’s just a week on Wednesday. It’s time to start thinking what you can do to make this season of grace fruitful. It is a time that we mark especially with prayer, fasting and alms-giving (or works of charity). *Incidentally, the Ashes that we are marked with on Ash Wednesday are made from the palms from the previous Palm Sunday. So if you have palms that we could use to make this year’s ashes, please let me have them by next Sunday.*

1. **Prayer During the Day.** On Thursdays and Fridays during Lent we shall meet in the Chapel before Mass to pray the Divine Office of the Church.
2. **Prayer petitions.** When Lent begins I shall invite you to write out any petition that you would like the rest of us to pray for and post it up on a board. Please do read the petitions and pray for them.
3. **“My Day By Day”.** These small booklets are available in the porch from today (£1). They contain the Mass readings for each day of Lent up to Maundy Thursday.
4. **Walk With Me Booklets.** These are also available in the porch (£1), together with Lent calendars (free). They are a good aid to daily prayer and reflection.
5. **Stations of the Cross.** We shall meditate on the Stations together each Friday in Lent, 3.00, in the Chaplaincy, and each Sunday, 4.15 pm in St. Joseph’s.
6. **Bible Study.** There is the possibility of developing our Thursday evening meetings if you want to. Please let me or the members of the CathSoc executive know if you have ideas.
7. **“The Gift” Life in the Spirit Course.** There will be a course of prayer and meditation in St. Joseph’s on Monday evenings throughout Lent. The Course begins on 12th February, but there will be a “taster” evening starting in the hall tomorrow evening, Monday, 5th February, 7.30 pm. All welcome.
8. **Afternoon of Recollection for Eucharistic Ministers,** Saturday, 3rd March, 12.00-4.00 pm, in St. Joseph’s parish hall. There will be a talk and a time of prayer for Eucharistic Ministers in preparation for renewal of their ministry on Maundy Thursday.
9. **Parish Penance Service.** On Wednesday, 21st March, before the evening Mass in St. Joseph’s at 6.00 pm. I hope we can arrange to have one in the Chaplaincy too – TBA.

Chaplaincy Retreat to Holy Island, 20th – 25th March. The Holy Island of Lindisfarne is located just off the UK’s Northumberland coast. It has been a place of Christian worship and prayer since St. Aidan founded a monastery there in 635 AD. Rev. Kate Pearson is leading a Retreat there before Easter and there are places available if you book quickly. The Chaplaincy is giving some help towards costs to keep them as low as possible. If you are a student the Retreat will cost £290, for staff members it will be £350. To book or for more info, contact Kate at k.pearson@warwick.ac.uk

Young People, the Faith, and Vocational Discernment. Pope Francis has dedicated the 15th Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops. to be focused on the theme of *Young People, the Faith, and Vocational Discernment*. It will be held in Rome in October. The Pope has invited young people to share their voice from a variety of social contexts from around the world, so as to better understand what it is like to be a young person living in the world today. Here is a link to a Vatican poll which is being sent to students. <https://survey-synod2018.glauco.it/limesurvey/index.php/147718>. Please consider taking part in the survey.

Social Outreach. This term, a group will be visiting **Willowbrook Care Home** (11:00-12:00) to talk to residents there. The next visit will be on 18th February. All are welcome to join! For more info please contact S.Lamboglia@warwick.ac.uk.

The Convent of Our Lady of Lourdes, Boarbank Hall, Cumbria LA11 7NH are offering: (a) a holiday & study week for Catholics in their 20s-40s, 21st–28th July (b) a Retreat and holiday for birdwatchers (beginners and experienced alike), 18th–23rd May (c) an introduction to the life and thought of St. Augustine of Hippo, 1st–5th May (d) a gentle introduction to Latin, 20th–22nd April. For more ask me or see www.boarbankhall.org.uk

Fr. Hudson’s Care 114th Annual Fundraising Ball, Saturday, 17th February, 7.30pm–1.00am, at the National Conference Centre, Birmingham. Tickets cost £40 (or £37 for those aged 30 and under). See ask me for more details.

“Thomas Aquinas and Modern Biology”. On Saturday, 3rd March at the Aquinas Institute, Blackfriars Hall, Oxford, 9.15-5.15, there will be an Aquinas Colloquium. Fee for the day, including lunch: £10 (£5 students). To register contact Fr. Richard Conrad OP, Blackfriars, St. Giles, Oxford OX1 3LY, Richard.conrad@bfriars.ox.ac.uk

Medjugorje Youth Festival 2018. Justine is organising a pilgrimage (29th July-5th August) to Medjugorje. All ages are welcome. If you are interested or know someone who would be, please contact Justine as soon as possible on 07551 096 269. Please see the poster in the church porch for more information.

Easter Retreat. Each year the Abbot and Monks of Pluscarden invite young people (aged 18-30) to celebrate the Liturgy with them from Wednesday of Holy Week until Easter (March 28 – April 3). There is no charge for staying. If anyone, however, wishes to make a donation, that will be gratefully received. See me for details.

Tailpiece: A parishioner leaving church one Sunday felt moved to compliment the priest: “Good sermon today, Father.” “Thank you,” answered the priest, modestly, “But it wasn’t me, it was the Lord”. “It wasn’t THAT good,” came the reply.

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