

# University of Warwick Chaplaincy

## First Sunday of Lent

10<sup>th</sup> March, 2019

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*Sacred Heart of Jesus, Seat of Divine Wisdom, enlighten us!*

*Our Lady of Good Counsel, pray for us!*

*St Thomas Aquinas and St. Aloysius Gonzaga, patrons of students, pray for us!*

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

Sunday, 10 <sup>th</sup> March <b>First Sunday of Lent</b>  <i>Day of Prayer for the Candidates for the Sacraments</i>	9.00 am 11.00 am 12.30 pm (University Chaplaincy) <b>3.00 pm Baptism</b> <b>4.15 pm Stations of the Cross</b> 5.00 pm	Patrick Mullen RIP (Anniversary) Intentions of the Ordinariate The People of the Parish Austin James Holton  Sean & Margaret Gallagher
Monday, 11 <sup>th</sup> March	10.00 am 7.00 pm	Josie Hintay (Birthday) Fr. Paul's Intentions
Tuesday, 12 <sup>th</sup> March <i>Dementia Prayer Week</i>	<b>No Mass Today</b>	
Wednesday, 13 <sup>th</sup> March <i>Dementia Prayer Week</i>	10.00 am <b>6.00 pm Reception of Veronica Harris</b> 7.00 pm	Josephine Caldwell (Birthday) Joe Corcoran
Thursday, 14 <sup>th</sup> March <i>Dementia Prayer Week</i>	7.30 am Exposition and Morning Prayer 10.00 am <b>12.00 noon Requiem Mass</b> 7.00 pm	Lost Souls <b>Veronica Harris</b> Fr. Paul's Intentions
Friday, 15 <sup>th</sup> March CAFOD Lent Fast Day <i>Dementia Prayer Week</i>	10.00 am 12.15 pm (University Chaplaincy)	Gabrielle Crawforth (Intentions) (Mass in Latin) Private Intention
Saturday, 16 <sup>th</sup> March <i>Dementia Prayer Week</i>	10.00 am <b>followed by Exposition</b>	Delia & Jimmy Browne (late of Carrick Road, Shantalla, Galway)
Sunday, 17 <sup>th</sup> March <b>Second Sunday of Lent</b> <i>Dementia Prayer Week</i> <i>Day of Prayer for the Candidates for the Sacraments</i>	9.00 am 11.00 am 12.30 pm (University Chaplaincy) <b>4.15 pm Stations of the Cross</b> 5.00 pm	Patricia Swain RIP (Birthday) Intentions of the Ordinariate The People of the Parish  Martha Connolly RIP (Anniversary)
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday, 10.30-11.00 am.		

Welcome to our celebration of Mass today.

On the First Sunday of Lent we always hear the story of Jesus' struggle with Satan in the desert and how He overcame all temptations. It should serve for us as an inspiration to resist the lure of sin.

**Prayer Before the Blessed Sacrament.** Before we begin our day's work we can meet for Morning Prayer and quiet adoration of Our Lord for half an hour on Thursday mornings, 7.30-8.00, followed by breakfast. **Why not start your day with the Lord?**

### 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.

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For information about the Ordinariate go to [www.ordinariate.org.uk/groups/coventry](http://www.ordinariate.org.uk/groups/coventry)

**Easter Duties.** All Catholics who have made their First Holy Communion should receive the Holy Eucharist sometime between Ash Wednesday and Pentecost Sunday. They should also take part in the Sacrament of Penance before receiving this Easter Communion.

**Bible study.** As always, on Monday at 7:45pm in the chaplaincy. Starts with dinner, followed by Bible study discussion. Everyone welcomed.

**Prayer petitions.** Please write out any petition that you would like the rest of us to pray for and post it up on the notice board at the back of St. Joseph's church. Please do read the petitions and pray for them.

**"My Day By Day".** These small booklets are available in the porch (£1). They contain the Mass readings for each day of Lent to Maundy Thursday.

**"Walk With Me" Booklets.** These are also available (£1), together with Lent calendars (free). They are an aid to daily prayer and reflection throughout Lent. If you can't afford £1, please take one anyway.

**Another Story Must Begin:** A Lent Course based on the film, the novel and the stage adaptation of Victor Hugo's *Les Miserables*. We shall meet in the parish hall, 7.30-9.00 on Wednesday evenings in Lent, starting this week. Through some of the themes and principal characters of the story, the course explores the grace of God, our own fallen state and opportunity for redemption, and helps us to reassess what we can do with our



lives and for those around us. I have a spare copy of the DVD, so if anyone would like to borrow it to watch the film all the way through before the course begins please ask me, and if you can offer hospitality to others who would also like to watch it please tell me.

**Afternoon of Recollection for Eucharistic Ministers.** On Saturday, 30<sup>th</sup> March, 11.00-4.00 pm, there will be a day in the hall for Eucharistic Ministers to prepare for the renewal of their ministry. All welcome, but please let me know if you are coming. Bring a packed lunch.

**CAFOD Lent Family Fast Day.** Next Friday CAFOD are asking us to have a simple meal and give the money that we save to the collection next Sunday. There are envelopes available to help us remember and put the money aside. Next Saturday, instead of the usual coffee morning in St. Joseph's hall there will be a hunger lunch' consisting of soup and a roll. Proceeds to CAFOD.

**"A Retreat in Daily Life":** during Week 4 of the summer term there will be the chance to do a retreat which fits around your work commitments. With the stress of term 3, this is a great opportunity to take time out, relax, reflect and pray under the guidance of a trained spiritual director. **I highly recommend it.** See me for more details or to book.

**Stations of the Cross.** We shall meditate on the Stations together at St. Joseph's each Sunday in Lent, 4.15 pm, beginning this afternoon. All welcome.

**Parish Penance Service.** On Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> April, at 6.00 pm in St. Joseph's, before the evening Mass.

**Dementia Prayer Week, 12-19<sup>th</sup> March.** This week we remember especially those suffering with dementia, and those who care for them.

**Annual St Patrick's Mass,** Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> March, in St Mary & St Benedict's Church, at 8.00pm. Sacred Heart parish also invite us to a party/social on Sunday, 17<sup>th</sup> March, in their church hall. Tickets, £10 (includes a buffet) from Paul and Sue Wilby from [www.ticketsource.co.uk/sacred-heart-church](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/sacred-heart-church). All welcome. Admission by ticket only.

**Life in the Spirit Prayer Group.** The next meeting is tomorrow evening, Monday, 11<sup>th</sup> March, in St. Joseph's parish hall, 7.15pm for a 7.30pm start. Starting with prayer and praise, then *Lectio Divina*.

**Are you a cyclist?** If so, "Father Hudson's Care has places available for the Birmingham and Midland Velo, a 100-mile sponsored cycle on 12 May. Anyone interested in riding in aid of our diocesan social care agency should call Father Hudson's on 01675-434059 or e-mail [fundraising@fatherhudsons.org.uk](mailto:fundraising@fatherhudsons.org.uk) before 12 March."

**Tabor House,** Birmingham's only permanent night shelter, is looking for volunteers to help, especially overnight and mentors. If you are interested in finding out more why not come along to their **Open Evening on Wednesday, 20<sup>th</sup> March** 6pm - 8pm at St Anne's Training Room, 96 Bradford St, Birmingham, B12 0PY. please contact Sharon McCall: 07387 418319 for more.

**Step Into The Gap.** "CAFOD believes in equipping and inspiring young adult leaders to be able to contribute to a more just and peaceful world. In partnership with our UK placements we offer opportunities for 18-30 year olds to gain experience, develop leadership skills and spend a year in the service of others. This allows them to inspire a generation of people to act for the poorest and most marginalised in either a retreat centre, university chaplaincy or school chaplaincy. As part of this programme our "gappers" work alongside the Catholic community and others to bring about a more just world. It includes a visit to CAFOD partners and the communities we work with overseas. Applications for September 2019 are now open. The first wave of applications closes on 23<sup>rd</sup> March. More information including how to apply can be found at [www.cafod.org.uk/cafod](http://www.cafod.org.uk/cafod)."

**Tailpiece:**

Small child: "Granddad, were you in the Ark?"

Grandfather (very grumpy): "No, I was *not* in the Ark"

Small child (with relentless logic): "Well, why weren't you drowned then?"

**May God bless you and all who are dear to you.**

**Fr. Harry**