

# St. Joseph the Worker

## Easter Sunday

21<sup>st</sup> April, 2019



Fr Harry Curtis, Parish Priest, email: [sjtwcov@gmail.com](mailto:sjtwcov@gmail.com)

Parish Secretary: Geraldine Griffin - Parish Office Open: Monday; Wednesday to Friday 9.30am to 12.30pm

The Presbytery, 1 De Montfort Way, Coventry, CV4 7DU. Tel: 02476 419 111

Safeguarding Officer: Henry Whitney, email: [henry@kundert.co.uk](mailto:henry@kundert.co.uk), Tel: 02476 227 741

Hall Manager: Madeleine Struthers, email: [sjtwballbookings@gmail.com](mailto:sjtwballbookings@gmail.com), Tel: 07925 896 610

Gift Aid Officer: Patricia Burke, email: [PeB1@mail.com](mailto:PeB1@mail.com), Tel: 07581 097 403

Websites: [www.stjosephcoventry.org.uk](http://www.stjosephcoventry.org.uk) [www.coventry-catholicdeanery.org.uk](http://www.coventry-catholicdeanery.org.uk) [www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk](http://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk)

Happy Easter, everyone.

Jesus Christ is risen from the dead.

Alleluia!

Sunday, 21 <sup>st</sup> April <b>Easter Sunday</b>	9.00 am 11.00 am 12.30 pm (University Chaplaincy) 5.00 pm	Eugenia Kvedaras Rivas & Austin Holton Intentions of the Ordinariate The People of the Parish Conway Family (Intentions)	
Monday, 22 <sup>nd</sup> April Monday within the Easter Octave	7.00 pm	Fr. Paul's Intentions	
Tuesday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> April Tuesday within the Easter Octave	<b>No Mass Today</b>		
Wednesday, 24 <sup>th</sup> April Wednesday within the Easter Octave	<b>No Mass Today</b>		
Thursday, 25 <sup>th</sup> April Thursday within the Easter Octave	<b>No Mass Today</b>		
Friday, 26 <sup>th</sup> April Friday within the Easter Octave	<b>No Mass Today</b>		
Saturday, 27 <sup>th</sup> April Saturday within the Easter Octave	10.00 am <b>followed by Exposition</b>	Fr. Paul's Intentions	
Sunday, 28 <sup>th</sup> April <b>Second Sunday of Easter or Divine Mercy Sunday</b>	9.00 am 11.00 am 12.30 pm (University Chaplaincy) 5.00 pm	Eduardo, Fidela, Severino Hintay & Raymond Richard Intentions of the Ordinariate Private Intention Anne and Jim Coffey	
<b>Mass attendance last weekend: 226</b> <b>Last week's first collection: £701.41; Gift Aid: £208.00.</b> <b>Good Friday Donations for the Holy Places: £248.97</b> <b>Thank You.</b>	<b>Reading Rota</b>	<b>9am</b>	<b>5pm</b>
	Today	Paul Keenan	Irma Whitehead
	Next Week	Maria Vaughan	Tony Scanlon



### The Easter Season

The Easter Season begins today, Easter Sunday, and ends after Evening Prayer on Pentecost Sunday. These fifty days are a very special time and, as St. Athanasius wrote, they “are celebrated in joyful exultation as one feast day, or better as one great Sunday.” The first eight days make up the Easter Octave and they are celebrated as Solemnities of the Lord – that is, feast days of the most importance. The joyful sound of “Alleluia!” is heard many times throughout this season and we add two “Alleluia’s” at the dismissal of the Mass during the Octave.

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

To see the Diocesan Privacy Notice go to <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/privacy-policy>

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

**Please pray for all the Sick of the Parish including:** Kevon Perry, Bridget Cherry, Hildegard Atherton, Chris Mullen, Gabrielle, Salvador, and all the sick.

**Those who have died.** Please pray for all those who have died recently, and for all whose anniversaries occur at this time: Frs. Hugh Griffith, Oswald Joyce, Liam Bouchier, Patrick Quilty, Benjamin Cox, Wilfrid Davenport, Desmond Donnelly, Peter Dennison, Joseph Bernard Hickson and Deacon Peter Seeney, and also Esther Masterson, Alice Cunningham, Molly Hughes, Michael Miller, Mary Murphy, Petrous Sheena, Ellen Bolger, Michael Mellor, James McCullough, Mary Navin, and Baby Hannah Evans. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace.

**The Sanctuary Candle is burning this week for Kathleen Banks.**

**Our Lady's Candle is burning this week in Thanksgiving.**

**New to the Parish or visiting for Easter? Welcome.** If you have recently moved into St. Joseph's parish it's great to have you with us. Please do come and introduce yourself to me. Thank you.

**Sacraments of Initiation:** It is lovely that we are able to celebrate the Sacraments of Initiation into the Church on this day. Eugenia Kvedaras Rivas and Austin Holton will be receiving their First Holy Communion at the 9.00 Mass, and Mason Roy Allen will be baptised during the 5.00 Mass. Please pray for them all and for their families.

**Traditionally the collection at the Easter Masses** is your personal offering to your priest. There are envelopes at the back of church to use if you wish, some for me and some for Fr. Paul and Fr. Timothy. Thank you.

**A big thank you** to everyone who worked so hard to make our Easter celebrations so beautiful. Thank you to the altar servers, the sacristan, the flower arrangers, the cleaners, the musicians, the Eucharistic ministers, the readers, the booklet-makers and most of all to those brave souls (soles?) who volunteered to have their feet washed on Maundy Thursday.

**Easter Monday Men's Mass:** the only Mass in Coventry tomorrow (Monday) morning will be at 10.00 at St. Osburg's. This is because it is an opportunity to come together as a worshipping community with Bishop Kenney to witness to our faith. The custom is a profession of faith in the Real Presence of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. There will be refreshments after Mass.

**Cycle of Prayer.** During Easter we are asked to pray for the following intentions: new members of the Church; Vocations; the right use of the media; the Church; human work.

**My Day By Day Easter Booklets and the Walk With Me Easter Booklets** are on sale in the porch (£1).

**Mass this week.** Both Fr. Paul and I shall be away this week, and so there will be no Mass here Tuesday-Friday inclusive. I should be back at St. Joseph's for Masses next Sunday. I have the privilege of being the Chaplain for Our Lady's Catechists, and after a couple of days off I shall be away at their AGM this week. Please pray for them and for me.

**The Solemnity of St. George.** We usually celebrate the Feast of England's Patron Saint on 23<sup>rd</sup> April, but because this year that falls during Easter Week the feast has been transferred to Tuesday, 30<sup>th</sup> April.

**Consecration of the Church.** Wednesday, 1<sup>st</sup> May, will be the first anniversary of the Consecration of our church. To mark it we shall have Mass at 7.00 pm followed by a bring-and-share supper in the hall. All welcome. There is a sign-up sheet in the porch asking people to offer to bring different types of food.

**Divine Mercy Sunday.** Throughout this week we are encouraged to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet (there are leaflets in the porch), and next Sunday is Divine Mercy Sunday. **Divine Mercy Sunday Devotions** at St Mary's Church, Raglan Street next Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> April, starting at 2.00 pm. See the poster in the porch for more details.

**200 Club winners:**

1<sup>st</sup> Prize, £15: No. 52; Mrs Donovan.

2<sup>nd</sup> Prize, £5: No. 22; J. McCrave.

**Tailpiece:** A priest, known for his lengthy sermons, noticed a man get up and leave during the middle of his message. The man returned just before the end of the Mass. Afterwards the priest asked the man where he had gone. "I went to get a haircut," was the reply. "But why didn't you do that before Mass?" asked the priest. "Because," came the reply, "I didn't need one then."

Finally, what do you get if you pour boiling water down a rabbit hole?

Hot Cross Bunnies!



**Have a very happy and blessed Easter.  
May God bless you and all those whom you love.  
Fr. Harry**