

University of Warwick Chaplaincy

Fourth Sunday of Easter

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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, patron of students, pray for us!

St Joseph of Cupertino, patron of those taking exams, pray for us!

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

Sunday, 12 th May Fourth Sunday of Easter World Day of Prayer for Vocations	9.00 am 11.00 am 12.30 pm (University Chaplaincy) 5.00 pm	Fr. Jimmy Lutwama Intentions of the Ordinariate Private Intention Stephanie Allen (Intentions)
Monday, 13 th May <i>Op. Mem. of Our Lady of Fatima</i>	10.00 am 7.00 pm	Mitch Moore Fr. Paul's Intentions
Tuesday, 14 th May <i>Feast of St. Matthias, Apostle</i>	No Mass Today	
Wednesday, 15 th May <i>Easter Feria</i>	10.00 am	Alfred dil Hossain
Thursday, 16 th May <i>Easter Feria</i>	7.30 am Exposition & Morning Prayer 10.00 am 12.15 pm (University Chaplaincy) 7.00 pm	Fr. Louis Le Van Hong Private Intention Fr. Paul's Intentions
Friday, 17 th May <i>Easter Feria</i>	10.00 am 12.15 pm (University Chaplaincy)	Kevin McKelvie (Intentions) (Mass in Latin) Private Intention
Saturday, 18 th May <i>Op. Mem. of St. John I, Pope, Martyr</i>	10.00 am followed by Exposition	Fr. Paul's Intentions
Sunday, 19 th May Fifth Sunday of Easter	9.00 am 11.00 am 12.30 pm (University Chaplaincy) 5.00 pm	Holy Souls Intentions of the Ordinariate People of the Parish Esther Masterson
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday, 10.30-11.00 am.		

The Easter Season

The Easter Season begins on 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 joyful sound of "Alleluia!" is heard many times throughout this season.

Vocations Sunday. Today is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. We pray for an increase in Vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life in our Archdiocese. On the subject of Vocations, please pray for Ryan Service who did a BA in English here at Warwick 2006-2009, and for Piotr Wynanski who also graduated here in (I think) 2013. They are both currently studying for the Priesthood at the Venerable English College in Rome. Ryan is due to be ordained a priest for this Diocese on 20th July in St. Chad's Cathedral in Birmingham, and, God willing, Piotr will be ordained for Arundel and Brighton Diocese in a year or two.

May is the Month of Our Lady. If you are coming to a parish weekday Mass at St. Joseph's during the month, please feel welcome to stay to pray the Rosary with a group after Mass.

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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www.coventry-catholicdeanery.org.uk/sjtw

www.cathsocwarwick.wix.com/warwickcathsoc

www.coventryordinariate.co.uk

Easter Duties. Remember! The Church says that 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 Communion.

A Retreat in Daily Life
Week 4 of this term (12th - 17th May).

Starting today.

Welcome to Pauline and Jona who have come to lead this special Retreat.

If you have signed up, please stay after Mass today for lunch and the opening session.

If people want to go on a spiritual Retreat they normally go away to stay in somewhere quiet where they can pray and get some spiritual guidance. It takes time and sometimes it can cost quite a lot of money. But this week of Guided Prayer is a Retreat that you can do in the Chaplaincy and in your home in the midst of daily life. It only costs a fraction of most Retreats (£10 for students, £25 for staff), but it is a wonderful opportunity to:

- Prioritise God in the midst of exams
- Take time out
- Deepen your relationship with God
- Explore new ways of praying
- Find help with any kind of decision
- Discover who you really are

So what does it involve? It means setting aside a time of prayer each day for a week starting next Sunday (aiming at 30 minutes) and having a daily half-hour individual meeting with an experienced prayer guide. It is for anyone who is a Christian and who wants to deepen their prayer life, or someone who is not sure what they believe but is willing to take a risk and seriously explore the reality of God.

As well as the prayer and meetings with your prayer guide, there will be optional workshops at lunchtime. **These are open to non-participants.**

Opening meeting: Sunday lunch, after Mass 1.30 (lunch will be provided)

Workshop 1, Monday lunch 12.30-2.00

Workshop 2, Tuesday lunch 12.30-2.00

Workshop 3, Wednesday lunch 12.30-2.00

Closing meeting: Friday afternoon

Some of the people who signed up have not yet confirmed that they will do it, so if you haven't signed up but would like to do the Retreat, stick around after Mass and we'll know quickly whether or not there will be space. (You can always come to the workshops even if you are not doing the Retreat).

Bible Study. Tomorrow (Monday) evening, at 7:45pm here in the chaplaincy. Starts with dinner, followed by Bible study discussion. Everyone welcomed.

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

Monastic Experience Weekend, Pluscarden Abbey. 2nd – 5th August, 2019. The monks of Pluscarden Abbey (Elgin, Moray, Scotland, IV30 8UA) are offering a special opportunity to experience at first-hand what monastic life is about, during the weekend of 2nd-5th August. There will be no charge. The invitation is extended to single young men, Catholics who practise their faith, aged 18 to 35. Anyone interested contact: Fr. Benedict Hardy OSB, novicemaster@pluscardenabbey.org.

Let's Celebrate! This year's CELEBRATE Conference takes place on Saturday 6th July (9.00-21.00) and Sunday 7th July (9.00-17.00) at Oscott College, Sutton Coldfield (B73 5AA). *Celebrate* is a Catholic Charismatic conference for all, young and old, open to individuals and families alike. It is hoped the weekend will help you find fresh inspiration and renewal in your faith in a relaxed and friendly environment. For information about speakers, or to book online go to www.celebrateconference.org/birmingham.

Life in the Spirit Prayer Group. The next meeting is tomorrow evening, Monday, 13th May, in St. Joseph's parish hall, 7.15pm for a 7.30pm start. Starting with prayer and praise, then *Lectio Divina*. Please do come.

ECHO: Theology of the Body Retreat, 6th-11th July, at Walsingham. ECHO is for young adults aged 18-35. Everyone who applies will be considered but spaces will be necessarily limited. Cost: £400 per person, inclusive of accommodation and all meals, (or £350 for bookings made by Thursday 23rd May). For more info or to book: www.walsingham.org.uk/calendars/echo-walsingham

Catholic Imagination: Finding God in all things. A Young Adult Retreat. 21–23 June, SPEC Retreat Centre 125 Waxwell Lane, Pinner, Middlesex. Registration: www.bonsecoursyoungadults.org Cost: £100 per person.

Tailpiece: A keen charismatic prayer group were praying for a revival in their parish. "O Lord, set this place on fire," prayed one man, fervently. Another man, kneeling further down the line, muttered, "I'm in for a thin time if He answers that one!" He was an insurance agent.

May God bless you and all those whom you love. My office will be in use this week for the Retreat in Daily Life, but I shall be in the Chaplaincy on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, or I should also be happy to see you at St. Joseph's if you want a chat or would like to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession).

Fr. Harry