



St Patrick's Catholic Church

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SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – 15th FEBRUARY 2020 Year A

Saturday Vigil	15 Feb	5.00pm	Brenda Jones; Ray Todd (RIP); Kathleen Cooke (RIP); David Hancock (RIP); Nelly Quirke; Nora O'Dwyer (RIP); Nan Shiels (RIP); The Noble Family (RIP); Ann Lovelock; Phil Bullock; Danny McDermott (RIP)
Sunday	16 Feb	10.30am	Jim & Bridie Keher; Andrew & Family; Michael Duigan (RIP); Don Gavin; John Flaherty; Maureen Billingham (RIP); Laurence, Viola & June Clark (RIP) ; David Hancock (RIP)
Monday	17 Feb	9.30am	<i>Eucharistic Service</i>
Tuesday	18 Feb	9.30am	<i>Eucharistic Service</i>
Wednesday	19 Feb	9.30am	Maureen Harrilla; Private Intention
Thursday	20 Feb	9.30am	Neil McHugh (RIP)
		2.00pm	Mass at SS Peter & Paul School
Friday	21 Feb	9.30am	Patrick Doyle
Saturday	22 Feb	9.30am	<i>Exposition</i>
		10.00am	<i>Eucharistic Service</i>
Saturday Vigil	22 Feb	5.00pm	Nan Shiels (RIP); Ray Todd (RIP); John Worsley (RIP)
Sunday	23 Feb	10.30am	Bernie Kavolaska (RIP); Master Brayden Waring; Maureen Billingham; Jim & Bridie Keher
Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions): Saturday 4.30 – 4.50pm			
Devotional Candles:			
Sacred Heart: Special Intention		Our Lady: Corey & Casper Plat-may (RIP)	
Divine Mercy: Special Intention (PE)		St Joseph: Special Intention (BK)	
St Anthony: Thanksgiving			

Music Liturgy			
Entrance:	820	Communion:	644
Offertory:	472	Recessional:	880

COLLECTIONS 09/02/2020	
1st collection:	£530.20
2nd collection: (Racial Justice)	£155.32
CAFOD Box:	£15.39

Next week's counting team:	C
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PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Those who have died recently, those who mourn for them and those whose anniversary occurs around this time. Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord. May they rest in peace.

THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Your prayers are asked for the sick and lonely of the parish, those in hospital and the housebound, especially:

Tom Ruddy	Rosemary Doherty
Eileen Connolly	Annie Neville
Veronica Griffin	Maureen Noone
Breda Somers	Maureen Bird
Noreen Hegarty	Rita Keogh
Bridie Guilfoyle	Hazel Hancock
Theresa Smith	

May God grant them healing, comfort and ease of pain.

BAPTISMS

We welcome **Sophia Anna Saracut** into God's family. May He bless her and her family.

ANNUAL REPORT

The parish Annual Report is now available. Please pick up your copy today.

PARISH PRAYER

Father, pour out your Holy Spirit on each member of our parish.

Warm our hearts with your love, so that we can follow you more closely.

Enlighten our minds so that we can understand the truth of your word.

Protect and strengthen all marriages and family life.

Make our homes places of prayer, peace, harmony and welcome.

Inspire us to work together with enthusiasm and build our parish into a loving and caring community.

We make our prayer through Christ Our Lord.

Amen.



PARISH FACEBOOK PAGE

St Patrick's Catholic Church has a new Facebook page. You will find contact information of the parish, current and upcoming events, newsletter announcements, calendar of events and much more. Please visit the page, click on the like and follow buttons to keep up-to-date with the latest news.



If you would like any message, images or announcements to be added onto the page, please email Jessica at: secretary.stpatricks.covty@rcaob.org.uk. The Facebook page link is allocated on the header of the newsletter.

BISHOP'S CONFERENCE GUIDELINES ON CORONAVIRUS

The Bishops Conference of England & Wales, while stressing that there is no need for panic about the coronavirus, have issued some guidelines that they would like us to follow in our parishes just to ensure that we are doing our best to prevent any spread among us.

1. We are all asked to receive Communion in the hand and NOT on the tongue. This will start today in our parish masses.
2. During weekday Masses, we usually receive from the chalice as well as the host and we will continue to do this, but anybody with cold or flu like symptoms is asked not to receive the chalice.

The Bishops state that both of the above guidelines should in fact be observed every flu season.

3. Eucharistic Ministers will need to sanitize their hands using the gel provided before and after distributing the Eucharist.
4. From next week, we will place hand sanitizers at both doors so that anybody who wishes can sanitize their hands entering and leaving the church.
5. It has also been noted that some people are ostracizing Chinese people in this country thinking that they may be carrying the coronavirus. The Bishops ask us not to do this as Chinese people in England are no more likely to have the virus than the rest of us.

To read the full guidelines, go to: cbcew.org.uk/guidance-to-catholics-on-coronavirus

BABY LOSS MATTERS

As in previous years, we are dedicating the month of February to remembering lost babies – those lost before, during, or shortly after birth. There will be a memorial space in the church and there is a plaque in the memorial garden for anyone who wishes to make use of them in any way.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Parents whose children attend **non-Catholic schools** and wish them to be prepared for the Sacraments of **Reconciliation** and **Holy Communion**, please ask for an application form from the piety stall. Please note that the last day for applications is **Sunday 23rd February**.

PRAYER 2020

Next Thursday is **20th** of the month. Lets pray at **20:20 for 20 minutes** for the needs of our work.

REFLECTION DAY ON LAUDATE SI

Climate change is the single biggest concern for our planet at this time with all its devastating effects – changes in weather, drought, floods, extinction of species etc. As Christians, we are called to respect creation as God's gift to us. It is where we live and where we hope that our children and grandchildren will continue to live for many generations. If we want this to happen, we need to make changes NOW. Pope Francis wrote a beautiful encyclical in 2015 entitled: Laudate Si reflecting on our responsibilities towards Mother Earth.

The conference of Religious has organised a series of reflection days on the encyclical and one of these is taking place very near to us in Mater Ecclesia Coventry, Stretton under Fosse on **21st March**. It will be from 10.00am to 4.00pm and will include lunch. The cost per person is £20.

If you are interested, please pick up a registration form from the table and return it to one of the sisters before the end of February. Fr George and both sisters will be attending so you will know somebody when you arrive. If you need transport, please let us know.

HOMELESS - THANK YOU

We are grateful for your ongoing support to the local homeless charities. The following items are always welcome: **tinned meat and tuna for soup kitchen sandwiches, tinned veg, tomatoes, soup, pot noodle, cuppa soup, tea, coffee, sugar, long life milk, biscuits, squash**. Many thanks.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2020

On **Friday 6th March at 11am**, there will be a service at Warwick Road United Reformed Church, 10 Warwick Row, CV1 1EX, where we will join together to pray with Zimbabwe. Everyone is welcome.

BEREAVEMENT GROUP

It has been decided to suspend the bereavement group due to lack of participation. We will be reconsidering how this service can be offered in the future.