

# Sacred Heart Parish Weekly Newsletter.

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Dear Parishioners,

### Coronavirus.

The Bishops' Conference has now issued new procedures that all parishes must follow.

**Sign of Peace:** We will no longer shake hands at the Sign of peace. Here in Sacred Heart we are going to adopt a beautiful idea of bowing to each other with "praying Hands" – Namaste - and I'll explain more about the meaning at Mass.

**Holy Communion** will only be available in the hand.

Taking Holy Communion to Nursing Homes/Retirement Homes is to **cease** for the time being.

### **Music at Mass.**

This is not affected (Thank the Lord!) **BUT** all hymn books used by the congregation must be removed from the Church, as these can be passed from person to person.

**Tea and coffee after Mass.** This is to be suspended with immediate effect.

### **Offertory Collection.**

Because the Offertory bags can no longer be passed from person to person along the bench, we will introduce a new system, perhaps with baskets into which people can place their offering.

**Newsletters.** If you are reading **this paper copy** please take it home with you. **Please don't return it to the back of the**

### **church for someone else to pick up!**

The Church must be seen to be taking the issue of Coronavirus seriously and all these procedures need to be followed.

**Our Piety Stall** is open before and after weekend masses.

God Bless,

*Fr. Tony.*

15 <sup>th</sup> March, 2020	
Third Sunday of Lent (A)	
Parish Mass Book page 83	
Preface of Lent. Eucharistic Prayer 2 of Reconciliation	
Saturday 5.00pm	For all the people of the parish.
Sunday 10.30am	Thomas Derek Flaherty (Margaret Flaherty)
Monday 9.00am	Paul Finn, R.I.P. (Sacred Heart School)
Wednesday 9.00am 6.00pm 6.30pm	Mass in School (Special Intention) Stations of the Cross Special Intention.
Thursday <b>No Mass</b>  6.00pm	<b>SOLEMNITY OF ST JOSEPH, HUSBAND OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</b> (Today Canon David Oakley is being installed as Bishop of Northampton Diocese and together with many of the Birmingham clergy I will be at his Episcopal ordination.) Reception of Fr Bob's body into St John Fisher with Mass
Friday 9.00am 12.00pm	Annie Gallagher, R.I.P. (Theresa & Eddie Cannon) Requiem for Fr Bob in St John Fisher
Saturday 8.15am 9.00am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Fr Bob Wright, R.I.P.
<b>Confessions:</b>	Saturday: 9.30am – 10.00am and 4.30pm - 4.50pm
22 <sup>nd</sup> March, 2020	
Fourth Sunday of Lent (A)	
Parish Mass Book page 86	
Preface of Lent.	
Saturday 5.00pm	For all the people of the Parish
Sunday 10.30am	Mrs Matilda Scallon, R.I.P. – 18 years. (Anethea Scallon)



If you hear the fire alarm leave by the nearest exit following the instructions of the fire marshals. The Assembly Point is in the car park

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BABY CHANGING UNIT  
Provided in the disabled toilet.



Please switch off mobile phones when in Church. Thank you.

**Last week's Offertory:** £904.12 (Gift-Aid: £221.41 non Gift-Aid: £380.71 Bank Credits: £302.00.).

Thank you very much.

CAFOD Family Fast Day collection: £432.32

**Next Sunday** collection towards our roof.

**Counters this week:** Team A.

**7-Day Candles: 14<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> March.**

**Sacred Heart:** Tincy Special Intention; Jacob Family Special Intention;

**Our Lady:** Catriona Murphy, R.I.P.; Alisha Family Protection.

**By the small Crucifix:**

HMP Hewell seeks a RC Chaplain, which may be a lay person. Please use the following link for the advertised post:

<https://justicejobs.tal.net/vx/lang-en-GB/mobile-0/appcentre-1/brand-15/candidate/so/pm/1/pl/3/opp/32278-32278-Roman-Catholic-Ordained-Deacon-Religious-Brother-or-Sister-Lay-Person/en-GB>

**MUMS AND TODDLERS PRE-SCHOOL GROUP** meet every Tuesday morning in the Hall from 9.30am – 11.00am.

**Come all who thirst "A God Who Speaks"** event is being organised as a Coventry City wide Retreat @ St Osburg's Coventry on 29/30/31st May 2020 If you feel you can support this event financially or are interested in any way please contact Justine on 07551096269. Thank you, May God Bless You.

**On 29 March, 2020, England will be rededicated as the 'Dowry of Mary.'** Please visit the website for more information:

<https://www.behold2020.com/the-rededication>

Mgr John Armitage, the Rector of the National Shrine of Our Lady at Walsingham, has asked people to prepare spiritually for the rededication by praying the Angelus every day after our parish Masses

**Evening Rosary.** The Rosary will now be prayed each **Wednesday** evening after the 6.30pm Mass for the specific intention of "Families." **Morning**

#### LiveSimply Prayer

Compassionate and loving God, you created the world for us all to share, a world of beauty and plenty. Create in us a desire to live simply, so that our lives may reflect your generosity. Creator God, you gave us responsibility for the earth, a world of riches and delight. Create in us a desire to live sustainably, so that those who follow after us may enjoy the fruits of your creation. God of peace and justice, you give us the capacity to change, to bring about a world that mirrors your wisdom. Create in us a desire to act in solidarity, so that the pillars of injustice crumble and those now crushed are set free. Amen.

**Rosary** said after morning Masses each day

**Prayer Group** meets every Tuesday in the Parish Hall at 7.30pm. All are welcome.

If you would like your name or the name of a friend or relative to be printed in the newsletter in the prayers for those who are sick, **please complete a consent form**, available from the sacristy, as we now need consent.

**Please remember in your prayers** Norma Dias, Mr Ndunaka, Josephine and Timothy Onwuekwe, Jan Rattray, Benny and Bridie McAndrew, Eunan MacIntyre, Matt Moten, Rosie Hallett, Maria Scott, Winnie Coleman, and all who are sick and for the repose of the souls of Fr Bob Wright and all who have died.

**PRAYER VIGILS** On the first Friday of every month. from 6.00pm - 8.00pm. The next one will be on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April

**PIONEER ASSOCIATION** will be holding a Month's Mind Mass for both Sister Sabina and John Flaherty on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March at Christ the King Church at 7pm. All welcome."

**Over 50's meet on Mondays in the Hall.** Please see noticeboard for date of next meeting. New members welcome.

**All EU, EEA and Swiss citizens living in the UK** are required by the government to apply through its Settlement Scheme to continue living, working and accessing services here. The deadline for applications is 30 June 2021. Details and links to the application process can be found at: [gov.uk/eusettledstatus](http://gov.uk/eusettledstatus). Information on assistance for those who may have difficulty applying is available at: [gov.uk/help-eu-settlement-scheme](http://gov.uk/help-eu-settlement-scheme). The Catholic Church in England and Wales stands in solidarity with all European citizens who have made their homes here. They are a valued part of our parishes, schools and communities.