



St Patrick's Catholic Church

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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT – 8th MARCH 2020 Year A

Saturday Vigil	07 Mar	5.00pm	Ray Todd (RIP); Edmond Douglas; Margaret Anderson; Gemma Hetherington (RIP); Liz Sharkey
Sunday	08 Mar	10.30am	Edmond Douglas; Bridie & Jim Keher; Paul Finn; Martin Kavanagh
Monday	09 Mar	9.30am	<i>Eucharistic Service</i>
Tuesday	10 Mar	9.30am	<i>Eucharistic Service</i>
Wednesday	11 Mar	9.30am	James Cunningham; Joseph Kavanagh (RIP); Martin Kavanagh
Thursday	12 Mar	11.00am 2.00pm	Requiem Mass for Florence Patricia Fanning Mass at SS Peter & Paul School
Friday	13 Feb	9.30pm	Thomas Joseph Perkins (RIP); Thomas & Mary Ellen Gallagher (RIP)
Saturday	14 Feb	9.30am	<i>Exposition</i>
		10.00am	<i>Eucharistic Service</i>
Saturday Vigil	14 Mar	5.00pm	Thomas & Mary Noonan (RIP); Ray Todd (RIP); Veronica Dixon; Bridie Guilfoyle; Mrs. Mary Herbert
Sunday	15 Mar	10.30am	Paul Finn; Martin Kenny; Martin Kavanagh; Richard Dean; Joseph Kavanagh (RIP)

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions): Saturday 4.30 – 4.50pm

Devotional Candles:

Sacred Heart: Mai Doherty

Our Lady: Veronica Dixon

Divine Mercy: Alain Junior Boulard

St Joseph: Special Intention (BK); Flordeliza Banan

St Anthony: Mary F

Music Liturgy

Entrance:	210	Communion:	720
Gospel Acc:	185	Recessional:	863
Offertory:	315		

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Those who have died recently, those who mourn for them and those whose anniversary occurs around this time. We remember especially **Florence Patricia Fanning** whose Requiem is on Thursday at 11.00am. Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord. May they rest in peace.

COLLECTIONS 01/03/2020

1st collection:	£503.51
2nd collection: (Cathedral Maintenance)	£123.05
CAFOD Box:	£8.19

PRAY THE ROSARY WITH OUR LADY OF COVENTRY Every Friday at 1.40pm during Lent at Our Lady of Coventry statue in Priory Gardens, near Holy Trinity Church, Broadgate.

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
Eileen Connolly
Veronica Griffin
Breda Somers
Noreen Hegarty
Bridie Guilfoyle
Theresa Smith

Rosemary Doherty
Annie Neville
Maureen Noone
Maureen Bird
Rita Keogh
Hazel Hancock

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

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.

COVENTRY COMHALTAS invite you to their St Patrick's Day Ceili on **Friday 13th March from 8pm** at Christ The King Parish Centre. See noticeboard for more details.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Saturday morning during lent, immediately following the Eucharistic service.

CLEANERS

We are still in urgent need of volunteers to help with cleaning the church. If you think you can help, please give your name and contact details to Margaret at the piety stall.

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.

THE GOD WHO SPEAKS EVENT

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** (Pending interest). Would you like to help organise/serve/cook/attend this event? We need your response now. We are also looking for individuals who would like to form part of a prayer team. Retreats are costly yet we want to be able to offer this free of charge so all can come together and enjoy this experience. Any donations will be a blessing and play an integral part in the event. 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. See poster on notice board for more detail.

CHURCH HEATING SYSTEM

Last week we discovered that we have some serious problems with our heating system with the result that we can only use two of our radiators at the moment. It will be a very costly job to have the system repaired but we will get it done as quickly as possible. The radiator in the porch is the worst affected which means there is no heat out there so it may be very cold for the children to use during Mass. The gas technician said that it looked like one radiator had been damaged by somebody sitting on it. While this can be tempting during cold weather, we ask you please to refrain from doing it as they are not designed to take a person's weight.

WHAT IS LENT?

Lent is the 40-day preparation period before Easter, beginning on Ash Wednesday. It lasts 40 days because Jesus fasted and prayed in the desert for 40 days before he began his public preaching. During this period, we should fast, pray and share with the needy to prepare ourselves more fully and to celebrate more readily Christ's Resurrection at Easter.

MOTHERING SUNDAY CAKE AND SNACK SALE

Mothering Sunday will be on **22nd March** this year and it is a time when we all try to do a little extra for our Mums. Why not treat your mum to a lovely cake or snack from our sale? In this way, you make your Mum happy as well as supporting your church. Our cake and snack sale will take place **after Masses on 21st and 22nd March**. Please bring in donations of cakes, biscuits, savoury snacks such as samosas or curry puffs or anything else from your home country that we can all enjoy while sponsoring our church.

FURTHER PRECAUTIONS TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF CORONAVIRUS

We have now been advised that we should take extra precautions against coronavirus. I regret to say that from this week, we will no longer shake hands at the sign of the peace and only the priest will receive the chalice. In addition, the holy water fonts will be emptied. While I regret having to introduce these measures, we do want to do our part to ensure that we are minimising the risk of spreading the virus.

Fr George

FR. BOB

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Fr. Bob Wright. Fr. Bob served the people of St John Fishers parish for 25 years. He was diagnosed with cancer two months ago and died this week on Thursday morning. He has been a great friend to us at St Patricks and will be greatly missed. Let us pray for him and his family. Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

FOURTH COMING PILGRIMAGES

ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM – Saturday 9th May 2020, led by Bishop David McGough. £4.00 per pilgrim. See noticeboard for more details.

TO KNOCK SHRINE - Ireland, 20th April 2020. £599.00 per person sharing. Single supp £100.00. Flight with 10kg bag, 4 nights' Knock House Hotel with breakfast and dinner. All excursions included. Lunches on days out. Contact Patricia on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com. Knock Pilgrimages ATOL T7613. See noticeboard for more details.

PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES – 23rd -29th /30th May 2020. Coach £461, Air £805. See noticeboard for more details or pick up a leaflet from the table.

Pope Francis says: "The love of God is not generic. God looks with love upon every man and woman, calling them by name."