

University of Warwick Chaplaincy

Third Sunday of Lent

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Welcome to our celebration of Mass.

On the third Sunday of Lent we hear the invitation of Jesus to the Samaritan woman to come Him for “living water”. That “living water” is the life of grace to which Jesus invites us all and we receive most fully in the Mass and the other Sacraments.

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.

‘Come All Who Thirst’: A “*God Who Speaks*” event is being organised as a Coventry City-wide Retreat at St. Osburg’s on 29/30/31st May. Are you creative/good at making artwork? Are you a musician? 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 lead a prayer team. 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 07551 096 269. Thank you.

Stations of the Cross. We shall meditate on the Stations together at St. Joseph’s each Sunday in Lent, 4.15 pm. All welcome.

Congratulations to the newly-elected CathSoc Exec. Thank you for coming forward to help our community:

President - Honor Roberts

Master of Ceremonies - Janek Piskorski

Treasurer - Maciej Ciurej

Social Secretary - Izabela Hryciuk

Publicity Officer - Shanaia Saju

LiveSimply. On Sunday, 29th March we are having a “Bring and Share” lunch in St. Joseph’s hall, at 1pm. All are welcome, but we hope that most of you will be able to bring along some food, that can be shared with everyone. We are going to make a particular request this time - let’s make it a vegetarian meal. Hopefully for all of us it will be a good sociable event with our parish family. All are welcome.

Singing For Fun. Tomorrow evening, 16th March, in St. Joseph’s parish hall. You can’t sing? No problem! Please come meet new friends and try some popular hymns, 7.30-8.30 pm. All welcome!

The annual Diocesan Novena of Prayer for the Cause of Canonisation of Blessed Dominic Barberi Wednesday, 11th March - Thursday, 19th March.

O God, who so lovingly raised Blessed Dominic to the heights of holiness, learning and apostolic zeal and made him a powerful minister of your mercy, listen to our humble request. We pray that you will, in your goodness, grant a miracle through the intercession of Blessed Dominic, so that the Church may further honour him on earth and that many more people will come to know and to invoke the help of this faithful servant of the Church. This we ask through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Mary, Mother of Holy Hope: pray for us.

Blessed Dominic Barberi: pray for us.

Saint John Henry Newman: pray for us.

“A Retreat in Daily Life”: during Week 4 of the summer term there will be the chance to do a retreat here in the Chaplaincy which fits around your work commitments. With the stress of term 3, this is a great opportunity to take time out, relax, reflect and pray under the guidance of a trained spiritual director. **I highly recommend it.** See me for more details.

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

Sunday, 15 th March Third Sunday of Lent <i>Day of Prayer for the Candidates for the Sacraments. Dementia Prayer Week.</i>	9.00 am 12.30 pm (University Chaplaincy) 4.15 pm Stations of the Cross 5.00 pm	<i>The Whelan Family</i> <i>The People of the Parish</i> <i>Inge, Dieter & Hildegard Konrad</i>
Monday, 16 th March	10.00 am	<i>Patricia Swain (Birthday)</i>
Tuesday, 17 th March Feast of St. Patrick, Patron of Ireland	No Mass Today	
Wednesday, 18 th March <i>Com. of St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop</i>	6.00 pm	<i>Fr. Bob Wright</i>
Thursday, 19 th March Solemnity of St. Joseph	7.30-8.00 am Exposition 8.00 am	<i>Special Intention</i>
Friday, 20 th March	10.00 am 6.00 - 7.00 pm Exposition	<i>Des Flynn</i>
Saturday, 21 st March	10.00 am followed by Exposition	<i>Maurizio Puricelli</i>
Sunday, 22 nd March Fourth Sunday of Lent <i>Day of Prayer for the Candidates for the Sacraments</i>	9.00 am 12.30 pm (University Chaplaincy) 4.15 pm Stations of the Cross 5.00 pm	<i>Jennifer Shaw</i> <i>The People of the Parish</i> <i>Anne Doherty (Get well)</i>
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Friday, 6.00-6.45 pm; Saturday, 10.30-11.00 am		

Lent 2020.

- Stations of the Cross.** We shall meditate on the Stations together at St. Joseph's each Sunday in Lent, 4.15 pm.
- Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament:**
 - Thursday mornings, 7.30-8.00,** with Morning Prayer of the Church, followed by breakfast.
 - Friday evenings, 6.00-7.00,** Evening Chapel: an hour's prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, with the opportunity for Confession, followed by a simple meal and Bible Study.
 - Saturday mornings: 10.30-11.00,** after Mass, with the opportunity for Confession.
- "My Day by Day" and "Walk With Me"** booklets are available (£1), together with Lent calendars (free). They are an aid to daily prayer and reflection throughout Lent.
- Afternoon of Recollection for Eucharistic Ministers,** Saturday, 14th March, 11.00-4.00 pm, in the parish hall, in preparation for renewal of their ministry on Maundy Thursday.
- Parish Penance Service.** On Thursday, 6th April, before the evening Mass at 6.00 pm.

March for Life UK, Saturday, 13th June, in London. Hopefully there will be a minibus to go to this. If you want more details please ask Honor at honor.roberts@warwick.ac.uk

Dementia Prayer Week, 12-19th March. This week we remember especially those suffering with dementia, and those who care for them.

St Patrick's Day Irish Mass on Monday, 16th March at 7.00pm at St Mary's. Refreshments to follow and music.

CORONAVIRUS GUIDELINES

The Dean, Canon Tom Farrell, has sent this message: "With the coronavirus affecting all nations, it has been a troubling time for many these past weeks. I can't think of anything quite like it in my lifetime. However, previous generations have faced tests like this and worse. They have done so with courage, determination and faith, as must we. Please pray for all, but especially for those on the front line working in health care settings, those who are most vulnerable and anyone who has been infected. I hope that in this time we as Christians can be examples of love and charity to others. In Church we have been asked to take further steps to help prevent the spread. Again, these are not to cause undue concern, but sensible precautions. *(The full list of precautions is available on the table).*

- We will not shake hands at the Sign of Peace.
- Communion should be received on the hand, rather than the tongue.
- We shall not pass round the collection baskets.

This weekend we will be praying for all nations facing this threat and especially vulnerable people. Prayer is a really positive response in which we can all engage. We must also continue to plan for the future and to get on with our lives. We have families, jobs, friends and homes to look after. These are all precious to us. Let's celebrate and enjoy them and not let anxiety spoil that. We know that things may change from week to week but it is important to look to our faith."

We are hard pressed on every side, but not crushed; perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not abandoned; struck down, but not destroyed. ¹⁰ We always carry around in our body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be revealed in our body.

(2 Cor. 4:8-10)

**May God bless you all,
and have a great holiday if you are going away,
Fr. Harry**