

University of Warwick Chaplaincy

Third Sunday of Easter

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Jesus Christ is risen from the dead. Alleluia!

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.

Sunday, 26 th April Third Sunday of Easter <i>Novena to St. Joseph</i>	UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE ALL MASSES WILL BE CELEBRATED WITHOUT A CONGREGATION.	10.00 am <i>The People of the Parish</i>
Monday, 27 th April <i>Easter Feria</i> <i>Novena to St. Joseph</i>		<i>In Thanksgiving (Zita)</i>
Tuesday, 28 th April <i>Optional Memorial of St. Peter Chanel, Priest, Martyr</i> <i>Or of St. Louis Marie Grignon de Montfort, Priest</i> <i>Novena to St. Joseph</i>		<i>Philomena Fuller</i>
Wednesday, 29 th April <i>Feast of St. Catherine of Siena</i> <i>Day of Prayer for Europe</i> <i>Novena to St. Joseph</i>		<i>Veronica Murphy</i>
Thursday, 30 th April <i>Optional Memorial of St. Pius V, Pope</i> <i>Novena to St. Joseph</i>		<i>David Young RIP</i>
Friday, 1 st May Solemnity of St. Joseph the Worker		<i>Mark Whale (Anniversary)</i>
Saturday, 2 nd May <i>Memorial of St. Athanasius, Bishop</i>		<i>Martin Walsh</i>
Sunday, 3 rd May Fourth Sunday of Easter <i>World Day of Prayer for Vocations</i>		10.00 am <i>The People of the Parish</i>

A Prayer in Time of Pestilence:

Almighty and eternal God, our refuge in every danger, to whom we turn in our distress; in faith we pray: look with compassion on the afflicted, grant eternal rest to the dead, comfort to mourners, healing to the sick, peace to the dying, strength to healthcare workers, wisdom to our leaders and the courage to reach out to all in love, so that together we may give glory to your holy name. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

World Day of Prayer for Vocations, next Sunday, 3rd May. We pray for bishops, priests, deacons, and for an increase in Vocations.

Bishop Leo McCartie RIP. Please pray for the repose of the soul of Bishop Leo McCartie, who died on 23rd April, aged 94. He was ordained priest on the 17th July 1949 and then in 1977 he was ordained as an Auxiliary Bishop of Birmingham and Titular Bishop of Elmham. In 1990, he was appointed as the tenth Bishop of Northampton where he served until his retirement in 2001. May he rest in peace.

“An Online Retreat in Daily Life”: It is the first time that we have tried to do this in this way, and it sounds good! **I highly recommend it.**



**Online Retreat
in Daily Life**
Sunday 17th to
Friday 22nd May 2020

- Join with others in prayer online
- Talk to a prayer guide every day for a week
- Find help in your personal prayer
- Try a more structured prayer life

This is for anyone who is already 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. Either way, it is for any generous soul willing to commit to the elements of the week. **Important: you have to agree to pray each day for a week and be willing to talk (in confidence) about how it went.**

It is run by a team of trained prayer guides led by Stephen Hoyland who works for the Jesuits and does this work in many universities up and down the country, normally, in person! And Kate, as Anglican chaplain and zoom expert in the making, will take care of the hosting.

The core elements of the week are prayer for half-an-hour each day, reviewing how that prayer time went, and individual meeting with your prayer guide online each day. We'll also have an opening meeting, closing meeting, and two prayer workshops also online via zoom.

How much does it cost?

We're asking for a donation of £10 to take part.

To sign up, let me or, better still, Kate the chaplain know you want to take part. Kate will use your email to invite you to a zoom meeting on Sunday, 17th May at 3pm. **Please download zoom by then. It is important to be at this to meet your guide for the week. If you cannot be at this meeting please email Stephen - sthoyland@gmail.com**

First Friday. As well as being the Feast of St. Joseph, this Friday is also the First Friday of the Month. Please say the Prayers to the Sacred Heart at home.

Regina Caeli. At the end of Mass during the Easter season I shall say the Regina Caeli instead of the Hail, Holy Queen. Please join in if you are watching at home:

*Regina caeli, laetare, alleluia;
Quia quem meruisti portare, alleluia,
Resurrexit, sicut dixit, alleluia;
Ora pro nobis Deum, alleluia.*

A translation is:

O Queen of Heaven, rejoice, alleluia!
For He whom you were worthy to bear, alleluia!
Has risen as He said, alleluia!
Pray for us to God, alleluia!

Novena to St. Joseph

This coming Friday is the Feast of St. Joseph the Worker, our Patron in this parish. It is also the second anniversary of the Dedication of our church. Please join me in praying the Novena Prayer each day prior to Friday for our Parish and for guidance for the future. This year our prayers have a special edge because of the coronavirus.



O great St. Joseph, Husband of Mary, and Patron of our Parish, wise and just ruler of God's earthly household, nearest of all men to the heart of Jesus. With quiet love you cared for Jesus and for Our Lady. Receive our fervent thanks and prayers that you will guide us as once you guided Wisdom's footsteps.

We ask your intercession for blessings on our parish community: for health and love, for courage and fortitude, for generosity and faith; asking you to submit all our temporal and spiritual needs to God. We pray, O St. Joseph, that we may always be devoted and loyal; our thoughts be of Jesus; our hearts be His shrine, so that when our life's path has been trod, we may be found worthy of a happy death and eternal salvation. We ask you to unite your prayers with ours as we pray to God our heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Our Lord, Amen.

*Our Father, ... Hail, Mary, ... Glory be ...
St. Joseph, pray for us.*

Livestreaming of Sunday Mass on Youtube each week at 10.00. Go to our website (www.sjtwcoventry.org.uk) and look for the section on "Coronavirus". There is a dropdown heading for livestreaming Mass.

Make an Act of Spiritual Communion

This can be done whilst you watch a live stream of Mass being offered by saying the following prayer:

“My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.”

Tailpiece: By the time Bobby arrived, the football game had already started. “Why are you so late?” asked his friend. “I couldn’t decide between going to church or coming to watch the football. So I tossed a coin,” said Bobby. “But that can’t have taken all this time.” said the friend. “Well,” said Bobby, “I had to toss it 35 times.”

**May God bless you and all those whom you love
and keep you safe.
Fr. Harry**