

St. Joseph the Worker

Solemnity of Pentecost

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We are a parish with a clear identity and purpose: to be a Catholic community, formed by the Holy Spirit in the name of Jesus, for the glory and praise of God the Father and the service of His Kingdom, and also for the mutual up-building and support of its members. The core message that we feel called to live is contained in Jesus' words:

I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full. (John 10:10)

Sunday, 31 st May Solemnity of Pentecost <i>Day of Prayer for the Church</i>	UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE ALL MASSES WILL BE CELEBRATED WITHOUT A CONGREGATION. Live streaming of Sunday Mass and other Masses when a time is printed here is on Youtube. Go to our website (www.sjtwcoventry.org.uk)	10.00 am Joan Kelly RIP (Birthday)
Monday, 1 st June <i>Memorial of Mary, Mother of the Church</i>		O'Donnell Family Intentions
Tuesday, 2 nd June <i>Op. Mem. of Ss. Marcellinus & Peter, Martyrs</i>		The People of the Parish
Wednesday, 3 rd June <i>Mem. of Ss. Charles Lwanga & Comps., Martyrs</i>		Fr. Andrew Kenny
Thursday, 4 th June <i>Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ Eternal High Priest</i>		The People of the Parish (JA)
Friday, 5 th June <i>Memorial of St. Boniface, Bishop, Martyr</i>		Fr. Bob Wright
Saturday, 6 th June <i>Optional Memorial of St. Norbert, Bishop</i>		Holy Souls
Sunday, 7 th June Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity		10.00 am Abie Doherty

Today is Pentecost Sunday. The Easter Season, which began on Easter Sunday, ends this evening.

Tomorrow we return to Ordinary Time and the cycle of weekday readings resumes at the 9th Week in Year 2 of the cycle.

The Sunday readings will be for Year A. If you pray the Divine Office we begin tomorrow with Psalter Week 1.

Please pray for those we know who are sick including: Richard Healy, George Morton, Josie Dekkers, Kevon Perry, Bridget Cherry, Chris Mullen, Peter Kennedy, Jennifer Shaw, Danny and Mary Harrington, Paddy Beausang, and all the sick.

Please pray for all those who have died recently, and for all those whose anniversaries occur about this time: Canon Harry Bouchier, Frs. Charles Stephen Dessain, CO, William O'Brien, John Avery Lane, Benedict Tarbuck and John Crean and also Charles Hughes, James Mulhall, Catherine Darmanin, Lilley O'Neill, Richard (Ricky) Wiseman, Phyllis Deegan, Peter Paul Dranczuk, Susannah Bloom, Dorothy Ann Simmons, Rosanna O'Sullivan, Paul Corkery, Mary Tomkins, Daniel Mulhall, Michael Burke, Mary Gettlevog, Eric Butler, Kathleen Webb, Ellen Jones, Florence Anderson and Brigid Mahone. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. May they rest in peace.

The Sanctuary Candle is burning this week for Norman Benham.
The Sacred Heart candle is burning this week for a Special Intention (AB).
Our Lady's Candle is burning this week for those working in Health Care.
St. Joseph's Candle is burning this week for the Sick and the Dying.

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.

<p style="text-align: center;">PENTECOST SUNDAY</p> <p style="text-align: center;">NATIONAL ROSARY RALLY MAY 31ST - 9AM TO 9PM</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ENGLAND, WALES, SCOTLAND</p>	
<p>9AM : ARUNDEL & BRIGHTON, NORTHAMPTON AND HM FORCES</p> <p>10AM : BIRMINGHAM, NOTTINGHAM & UKRANIAN EPARCHY</p> <p>11AM : BRENTWOOD & PLYMOUTH</p> <p>12 NOON : CARDIFF, PORTSMOUTH & DUNKELD</p> <p>1PM : CLIFTON, SALFORD & ST. ANDREWS & EDINBURGH</p> <p>2PM : EAST ANGLIA, SHREWSBURY, ABERDEEN</p> <p>3PM : HALLAM, SOUTHWARK, GLASGOW</p> <p>4PM : HEXHAM & NEWCASTLE, WREXHAM, ORDINARIATE OLW</p> <p>5PM : LANCASTER, WESTMINSTER, ARGYLL & THE ISLES</p> <p>6PM : LEEDS, POLISH MISSION & GALLOWAY</p> <p>7PM : LIVERPOOL, MIDDLESBROUGH & MOTHERWELL</p> <p>8PM : MENEVIA, PAISLEY & SYRO MALABAR EPARCHY</p> <p>9PM : THE ROSARY RALLY WILL END WITH A ROSARY BEING LED BY BISHOP JOHN KEENAN FROM ST. MIRIN'S CATHEDRAL IN PAISLEY.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">LET THE HOLY SPIRIT LIVE IN THE HEARTS OF ALL NATIONS & BE DELIVERED FROM THE GLOBAL PANDEMIC OF COVID-19</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">THIS IS TO BE LED IN THE FORM OF A ROSARY RELAY RALLY WHERE THE DIOCESES DESIGNATED IN THEIR ROSARY HOUR ENCOURAGE THE PEOPLES ACROSS THEIR DIOCESE TO PRAY THE ROSARY EITHER, INDIVIDUALLY, IN FAMILIES, AS PRAYER GROUPS, PARISH GROUPS, AND WHERE POSSIBLE LED ONLINE BY THEIR PARISH PRIESTS AND BISHOP. IT DOES NOT MATTER WHAT TIME DURING THE SPECIFIED HOUR THAT THE ROSARY IS PRAYED.</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">THE PRAYER INTENTIONS OF THE NATIONAL ROSARY RALLY ARE AS FOLLOWS:</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">FOR FAITH, SANCTITY OF LIFE, AND PEACE TO PREVAIL IN OUR NATIONS;</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">FOR AN END TO THE COVID-19 VIRUS, THE SICKNESS IT CAUSES, AND ITS EFFECTS THAT PREVENT US LIVING LIFE IN ABUNDANCE (CF JN 10:10);</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE COMMON GOOD, AND PEOPLE'S ECONOMIC LIVELIHOODS;</p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">THAT THE HOLY SPIRIT WILL PRESERVE US FROM DISASTER AND WAR.</p>

Sacrament of Reconciliation. Unfortunately, it is not possible to offer Confession at this time. Nor can the Sacrament be celebrated over the telephone or by conference call. For now, if you need to go to Confession you should make a Perfect Act of Contrition and go to Confession as soon as it becomes possible.

An Act of Contrition. *My God, I am sorry for my sins with all my heart. In choosing to do wrong and failing to do good, I have sinned against you whom I should love above all things. I firmly intend, with your help, to do penance, to sin no more, and to avoid whatever leads me to sin. Our Saviour Jesus Christ suffered and died for us. In his name, my God, have mercy.*

What you are missing! Corpus Christi (Sunday, 14th June). In normal times, in the days before Corpus Christi we have the 40 Hours' Devotion – prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. Then on Corpus Christi, after the 12.30 Mass at the University, we have a Procession with the Blessed Sacrament from the Chaplaincy to St. Joseph's where we celebrate Benediction. Afterwards there is a picnic in the garden.

This year, of course, we can't do that, at least, not physically. But we can take part spiritually. I shall expose the Blessed Sacrament for an hour on each of the three days and stream it live. I invite you to spend this time with the Lord, thanking Him for the gift of Holy Communion.



Mass Intentions. In company with the angels and saints, I am still offering the Sacrifice of the Mass each day. If you would like me to offer it for a particular intention please email me (stjoseph.covty@rcaob.or.uk) or telephone (02476 419111) or pop a letter in the post (how quaint!). Be aware that I may not be able to celebrate the Mass for your intention on the day you want, but if I can't I shall get as close as possible. Keep an eye on the parish newsletter for when your Mass is being offered. When you contact me please include:
Your name, phone number and/or email address
The Mass intention
Your preferred date of the Mass
A Mass offering (this is not an obligation).

Tailpiece: Bulletin bloopers
The congregation is asked to remain seated until the end of the recession.
A cookbook is being compiled by the ladies of the church. Please submit your favourite recipe, also a short antidote for it.

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

National Rosary Relay Rally. Today, Pentecost Sunday and what would have been the Feast of the Visitation of Our Lady, we are invited to take part in a Rosary Rally. At different times throughout the day, people in different dioceses in England, Wales and Scotland will be taking it in turns to pray the Rosary. In this Archdiocese we are invited to say our Rosary at 10am; Archbishop Bernard will be taking part, live streamed from [St Chad's Cathedral](#), followed by Mass at 11am. Those of you who are observant will have noticed a problem here: we usually have Mass at 10.00. So what I propose to do is to start at 10.00 with the Five Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary and then go straight into the Mass. Please join me if you can.

Livestreaming of Sunday Mass from St. Joseph's on Youtube each week at 10.00. Go to our website (www.sjtwcoventry.org.uk) and look for the indication for "Sunday Mass". It will tell you how to see the Mass.

Make an Act of Spiritual Communion. While you watch a live stream of Mass say 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."