



# ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER

*in Partnership with St Thomas More*

**Feast of Christ The King, National Youth Sunday**

**22<sup>nd</sup> November 2020**

**\*\* NO PUBLIC MASSES ARE PERMITTED DURING LOCKDOWN \*\***

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Hall Manager: *The hall is currently shut due to the pandemic regulations.*

Parish Website [www.sjtwcoventry.org.uk](http://www.sjtwcoventry.org.uk) Partner Parish Website [www.stmcov.org](http://www.stmcov.org)

[www.coventry-catholicdeanery.org.uk](http://www.coventry-catholicdeanery.org.uk) [www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk](http://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk)

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

<b>Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup> November: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe National Youth Sunday</b>	<b>10.45 am</b> Live stream <b>12.30pm</b> Livestream Watch <a href="#">here</a>	Brid Ferry Warwick University Chaplaincy Mass Rosaleen Gallagher
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> Nov: St Columban	6.00pm Live stream at STM <a href="http://stmcov.org">stmcov.org</a>	
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> Nov: St Andrew Dung-Lac and Companions	10am Live stream	Brid Ferry
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> Nov	6.30pm Live stream followed by Holy Hour	Rosaleen Gallagher
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> Nov	10.00 am Live stream	Mary and John Brogan
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> Nov	10.00am Live stream	Patrick Guthrie
Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup> Nov	10.00am Live stream	Holy Souls
<b>Sunday, 29<sup>th</sup> November: First Sunday of Advent</b>	<b>10.45 am</b> Live stream <b>12.30pm</b> Live stream	Clare Curtis (Anniv) Warwick University Chaplaincy Mass The Faithful Departed

**WE ARE NOW LIVE ON THE INTERNET!**

**ALL MASSES MAY BE JOINED USING THE WEB CAMERA**

**Click on the link from the website home page or use the link below**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=APw4-ldWAmc&feature=youtu.be>

**Please pray for the sick**, including: George Morton, Josie Dekkers, Kevon Perry, Bridget Cherry, Peter Kennedy, Jennifer Shaw, Danny & Mary Harrington, Paddy Beausang, Peter Nottingham, Edith Whatling and Margaret Dunne.

**Please pray for the departed**, John Folliard, Elizabeth Piercy, Veronica Brownhill, Deacon Frank Lockett, Deacon Peter Kilgallon and all those who have died recently, and for all those whose anniversaries occur about this time: Elizabeth Maher, Phyllis Gardiner, Kathleen Magrane, Christopher Talbot, William McDuff, James Roddy, Hugh Scullion, Sandra Hegarty, Bernard Preece, Jane Conway, John Carroll, John Mulligan, Rev David Higham, Deacon Pat Linthwaite, Rev Michael Connolly, Canon Augustine Emery. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.

**Prayer as you watch a Livestream Mass:**

**M**y 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 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. Amen

**Prayer in time of pandemic:**

**A**lmighty 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.

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The Sanctuary Candle is burning this week for The Faithful Departed of the Parish  
Our Lady's Candle is burning this week for the McCaul Family

**FR STEPHEN WRITES:** As this lockdown continues, many ask what can we do? That is exactly the right question to be asking. Although we cannot solve all the world's problems as Christian individuals or even as a parish, this fact should not discourage us! Sunday's Gospel is a clear call to action, a clear explanation of why we must act and a clear warning of what follows if we don't. Jesus makes it plain that in serving the needy, we serve Him: love of God and love of neighbour are intimately bound together. Simple acts of kindness are indeed things that we can all do in these difficult times. Is my elderly neighbour getting shopping? Is anyone ringing up that friendly old man I used to see at Mass? What about that ill woman who's housebound at the moment? We can't solve all the world's problems acting by ourselves, but we can serve Almighty God and build up His Kingdom here by doing what we can for the people we can help. We do what we can and pray that God will provide whatever we cannot.

*Christ my King, reign in my heart that I may love as You love! Fix Your Kingdom in my heart that I may help build it in the world! May Your Kingdom come and Your will be done!*

**FR PETER REFLECTS:** During my morning coffee break, I read about an idea for urban living in Milan which will pilot a '15-minute city'. The creative vision is that either, by foot or bike, homes; education; healthcare and entertainment will all be accessed – within a quarter of an hour. Multipurpose buildings, mini parks, pop-up galleries and markets would provide variety to the environment. The aim is that the quality of people's lives will improve materially and ecologically. What about spiritually? For us, isn't the real agent to inspire lasting social change the precious, God-given, gift of time used for personal prayer and reflection? The article mentioned that the proposed experimental city is the same one Saint Charles Borromeo led to recovery, after the plague, in the 1570s. He said that the key was that Christ himself stepped in – using us as his willing eyes and mind, hands and feet.

**NOVEMBER DEPARTED LIST** If you have names to go before the altar, please email them or put them through the Presbytery letterbox. Thank you.

**DURING THE CURRENT LOCKDOWN...**

**GIVING TO THE PARISH** During the suspension of public Masses, please do one of these things: put your weekly envelope through the Presbytery letterbox **or** save your envelopes until you return **or** you can set up a regular or a single donation on the diocesan website:

([www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk](http://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk)) click on Donate (top right) and follow the instructions. When asked which church you're donating to, select 'Coventry: Canley').

**Thank you for your giving:** the parish still has the bills to pay, of course.

**CHRISTMAS CARDS** It will not be possible to sell any Christmas cards from a parish piety stall this year. (Or indeed anything else). We are sorry about that. You can buy excellent cards in support of many wonderful charities. These are some suggestions with links.

**Aid to the Church in Need** website <https://acnuk.org/>,

**CAFOD** website <https://cafod.org.uk/>

**Friends of the Holy Land** website

<https://www.friendsoftheholylan.org.uk/>

**Catholic Children's Society** website

<https://www.cathchild.org.uk/>

**CHURCH WEBCAM** It is now possible to join in with all the worship here over the internet via a link on the home page of the parish website. If anyone would like to make a donation towards the cost of this facility, please do. We are grateful for the £500 already received towards it. St Joseph's is now visible all over the world – isn't that good?

**KNOW ANYONE STRUGGLING TO AFFORD FOOD?** Find out how to **receive help** from a foodbank and how to **give help** to support one by visiting [coventry.foodbank.org.uk](http://coventry.foodbank.org.uk)

**KEEP IN TOUCH...** Fr Stephen and Fr Peter can be contacted by phone or email. We are trying to discover the sick and housebound, so please contact us if you wish to. You might find an answering machine sometimes, but we will get back to you. **St Joseph's Presbytery phone number is out of order due to BT making a serious error.** Please use other numbers given overleaf

**CAROLS BY ZOOM** We are hoping to have an opportunity to sing carols over Zoom in due course. Details soon.

**FRATELLI TUTTI BY POPE FRANCIS** There will be a chance by Zoom to have a consideration of the Pope's latest encyclical during Advent. Watch this space.

**CHRISTMAS, STEWARDS AND CLEANERS...**

We are faced with the difficult task of planning for a Christmas under regulations that we can't yet know. One thing is certain: **Christmas in all our churches will not be normal this year.** Any public Masses will have to be stewarded and then cleaned afterwards and have no singing or socialising in the church. **Would everyone who is willing to steward and clean over Christmas please email the parish?** Say if you are available for Christmas Eve afternoon or Christmas Eve late evening or Christmas Day at 1045am. You might be able to volunteer for more than one time but please feel no pressure to do so. **We need to know volunteer numbers.** Times will be dependent on volunteers and have to co-ordinate with our partner parish St Thomas More. Simultaneous Masses must be avoided in case either Fr Stephen or Fr Peter has to isolate or is ill: the priest left could still celebrate all the Masses *without* last minute changes. **Thank you**

**BAPTISMS AND WEDDINGS:** These are now suspended except in cases of emergency.

**FUNERALS:** These may still happen in church under the restrictions that applied to all public Masses with **no more than thirty people** present and stewards and cleaners are **obligatory.**

**CONFESSION:** May be celebrated outdoors in a public space maintaining social distancing.

**EMERGENCY PASTORAL CARE:** This remains available of course, under the existing guidance for the safety of all involved – carers, relatives, priest **and** the person receiving the sacraments in an emergency.

**CHURCH WEEKLY COLLECTION:**

Collection: £66 Donations: £110