

Sacred Heart Parish Weekly Newsletter.

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All Masses (with and without a congregation) are Livestreamed at the same time
to both the parish Facebook Page and YouTube channel.

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Sacred-Heart-Catholic-Church-Coventry-736420386480785/>

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCNXaa0PR2IIDQExUXhzN2lg>

Dear Parishioners,

**** YOU MUST WATCH THIS: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OOLZDaTglaM>**
(When it opens, Click on Skip Ads and it will start)

As you know, one of our own parishioners, Margaret Keenan, is the first person in the world to receive the COVID-19 Vaccine at UHCW Coventry. Well done Margaret!! (And she's won the 500 Club!!)

Booking your seats for Christmas Masses – this is essential to make sure we keep social distancing limits. Please see next page. For our Christmas Masses the church will be opened 30 mins before each Mass.

A big Thank-You to the children at Sacred Heart school who have worked so hard to produce lovely biscuits and treats for all of you. As you leave Mass please do take some, and please thank the school.

Online Adult ALPHA COURSE. As promised we're starting this after Christmas. Our first session will be on **Wednesday February 3rd**. If you're interested, please email me.

13 th December, 2020 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (B)	
Saturday 5.00pm	Public Mass with Congregation. Mario Di Mambro, R.I.P. (Pat & Chris Elvin & Family)
Sunday 10.30am	Public Mass with Congregation. For all the people of the Parish.
Monday 9.00am	St. John of the Cross, Priest, Doctor of the Church. Patrick Hughes, R.I.P. (John Robinson)
Tuesday 9.00am	John P. Curristan, R.I.P. (Sarah Dunnion)
Wednesday 6.30pm	Public Mass with Congregation. Stephen Maguire, R.I.P. (Celine and John McCrea)
Thursday 9.00am	For all Sacred Heart Volunteers (Rosie with thanks)
Friday 9.00am	Public Mass with Congregation. Moira, Charles & Tim Hollick, R.I.P. (Olive Doherty)
Saturday 9.00am	Fr. Andrew Kenny, R.I.P.
Confessions	Saturday 4.30pm -5.00pm
20 th December, 2020 FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT (B)	
Saturday 5.00pm	Public Mass with Congregation. Ann MacIntyre, R.I.P. 4 th anniversary. (McCrea family)
Sunday 10.30am	Public Mass with Congregation. For all the people of the Parish.

God Bless, *Fr. Tony*.



If you hear the fire alarm leave by the nearest exit following the instructions of the fire marshals. The Assembly Point is in the car park

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BABY CHANGING UNIT
Provided in the disabled toilet.



Please switch off mobile phones when in Church. Thank you.

Last week's Offertory: £1,144.49 Gift-Aid envelopes: £270.00 non Gift-Aid envelopes and cash: £494.49 Direct Giving (Standing Orders and donations) around £380.00 Thank you very much.

This weekend Retiring Collection for Peter's Pence. Next weekend Retiring collection for Holy Places

Counting Teams can now resume. For this week it will be **Team B.**

500 Club November Draw. Total income: £290.00. Total prizemoney: £145.00. 1st Prize £85.00 No. 218 Mrs M. Keenan; 2nd Prize £40.00 No. 326 Mrs Ann Beattie; 3rd Prize £20.00 No. 642 Paul Commane.

FOOD/TOILETRIES FOR OUR NEEDY FAMILIES. At Christmas each year you are wonderfully kind in donating food items, toiletries and toys for our needy families. **THE LAST DATE FOR DONATING ITEMS IS THIS SUNDAY 13TH DECEMBER. ON MONDAY 14TH SCHOOL WILL START SORTING AND DISTRIBUTING THEM.**

A daily retreat for Advent:
<https://birminghamdiocesantrust.eu.rit.org.uk/advert-retreat-the-jesus-prayer>

'Catholic Universe' and 'Catholic Times.' The papers are offering to deliver direct to your home every week, POST FREE. Please go to www.thecatholicuniverse.com or call them on 0161 820 5722 and they will arrange for you. SPECIAL OFFER 3 MONTHS :-£22.00 or 12 Months:-£80.00

7-Day Candles: 12th – 19th December

Sacred Heart: Theresia Varkey, R.I.P.

Our Lady: Catriona Murphy, R.I.P.; Tincy - Special Intention.

By the small Crucifix: Alisha - Family Protection;

Booking for Christmas Masses Because at Christmas the size of congregations is normally larger than normal all the Coventry and other parishes throughout the country are operating free booking systems. YOU WILL BE SO VERY WELCOME BUT WE ARE NOT ALLOWED JUST TO HAVE PEOPLE TURNING UP OVER CHRISTMAS as we have to have accurate numbers to make sure the churches are not over-crowded and comply fully with social distancing regulations **And so, it is important you book your seat(s) for Mass.** To do so **please send a text to 07891103592 giving your name, your choice of Mass time and the number of people including yourself attending. Please note this number is to be used for TEXT MESSAGE ONLY. You will receive a text reply within 24 hours confirming your place(s). FOR THOSE WHO DO NOT USE MOBILE PHONES** reply slips are available as you leave Mass. Please return as soon as possible. **Our Christmas Mass times are: Christmas Eve 4.00pm Christmas Eve 7.00pm Christmas Day 10.30am.**

An act of Spiritual Communion:

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.

LiveSimply Prayer

Compassionate and loving God, you created the world for us all to share, a world of beauty and plenty. Create in us a desire to live simply, so that our lives may reflect your generosity. Creator God, you gave us responsibility for the earth, a world of riches and delight. Create in us a desire to live sustainably, so that those who follow after us may enjoy the fruits of your creation. God of peace and justice, you give us the capacity to change, to bring about a world that mirrors your wisdom. Create in us a desire to act in solidarity, so that the pillars of injustice crumble and those now crushed are set free. Amen.