

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,

We are now in what the Church celebrates as the "Ordinary" Sundays/weeks of the Church's year. But, 'Ordinary' doesn't mean 'average' 'uninteresting', quite the opposite. (Someone may celebrate their wedding anniversary as a special event, like a religious Feast Day, but that doesn't mean they don't love their partner for the other 364 days of the year!) Ordinary Time comes from the Latin *ordinal*, which means "counted time". These are the Sundays with numbers e.g.: 3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time, 27th Sunday, etc.

There are two blocks of Ordinary Time in the liturgical calendar. One starts after the Christmas season, and runs until Ash Wednesday. The other resumes after the Easter season all the way through to Advent, which is the start of the Church's next year. You can recognise Ordinary Time by the liturgical colour of green.

We are able to journey through a different Gospel each Year. There is a three year Sunday cycle and this year it is Year B which is Mark's gospel. We can watch the chapters unfold from one Sunday to the next, becoming immersed in the wonder of God. This three-year cycle (A, B & C) keeps repeating every three years. Next year it is Year B and the following year it is Year C then A,B,C, etc.

We tumble through these repeated years a bit like a stone tumbling around inside a rock polishing machine, constantly being polished and smoothed by our contact with the mysteries of God.

God Bless,

Fr. Tony

17 th January, 2021 2 nd Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)	
Saturday 5.00pm	Public Mass with Congregation. Alice Morris, R.I.P. – 3 rd anniversary (The Morris & Gibney Families)
Sunday 10.30am	Public Mass with Congregation. For all the people of the Parish.
Monday 9.00am 12.30pm	Special Intention (Celine McCrea) Funeral Service for Thomas Oliver Boshell. Invited guests only
Tuesday 9.00am	Feast of St. Wulstan, Bishop. Mr. M. T. Joseph, R.I.P.
Wednesday 6.30pm	Public Mass with Congregation. Gerald Evans (Mary Henry)
Thursday 9.00am	St. Agnes, Virgin, Martyr. Special Intention (Pat Kirkwood)
Friday 9.00am	Public Mass with Congregation. Kevin Gibney, R.I.P. (Eileen Gibney)
Saturday 9.00am	Special Intention
Confessions	Saturday 4.30pm -5.00pm
24 th January, 2021 3 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)	
Saturday 5.00pm	Public Mass with Congregation. For all the people of the Parish.
Sunday 10.30am	Public Mass with Congregation. Kerry Reddin, R.I.P. (The Kelly Family)



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

Last week's Offertory: £775.86 Gift-Aid envelopes: £81.00 non Gift-Aid envelopes and cash: £314.86 Direct Giving (Standing Orders and donations) around £380.00 Thank you very much.

Counters this week: Team A.

Gift-Aid donors. If you need your end of year totals, can you please email Nina Babbage, our parish Gift-Aid organiser, at: ga.sacredheart.covty@rcaob.org.uk

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.

7-Day Candles: January 16th – 23rd

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

Our Lady: Tincy - Special Intention.

By the small Crucifix: Alisha - Family Protection; Catriona Murphy, R.I.P.

The Chapel of Unity is promoting a 7-session online course _Radical Presence _via Zoom_ _commencing on Monday 11th January 2021, 7.30-9.00pm The course is being run by Mark Bratton, Rector of St. John Baptist Berkswell and the Bishop of Coventry's Adviser on Medical Ethics. The course was created by the charity Green Christian as an initiative to help churches build a more just, sustainable, and compassionate world after the pandemic. The online initiative will foster ambition to tackle the crises of environmental breakdown, inequality and polarisation and help build support for a 'just recovery'

- Session 1 - 11th January - _Womb_
- Session 2 - 18th January - _Jordan_
- Session 3 - 1st February - _Kairos_
- Session 4 - 8th February - _Flesh_
- Session 5 - 12th April - _Contagion_
- Session 6 - 19th April - _Tomb_
- Session 7 - 26th April - _Emmaus_

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.

Those wishing to join should contact Mark direct at this email address:
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FRIENDS OF THE HOLY LAND, a Christian Charity, is seeking an Office Administrator. This salaried position is important for our future growth and directly supports the Office Manager. Duties include maintaining the database, responding to enquiries, managing post/emails and sending out materials. The successful candidate will have good verbal and written communication skills, a strong ability to multi-task and be comfortable with the use of IT (particularly MS Office). The hours/days are negotiable – min. 20 hrs per week Mon-Fri. In the current pandemic, some work can be done at home. Normally, the work is conducted from our Kenilworth office. Please contact Jen Hill with your CV and covering letter by 25th Jan: office@friendsoftheholylan.org.uk

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.

Chapel of Unity, Coventry Cathedral. Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 18th – 25th January.

Sunday 24th January Zoom service at 2.00pm "Abiding in Christ" produced by the Sisters of Grandchamps in Switzerland. Monday to Friday 18th – 23rd January and Monday 25th January Zoom prayer at 1.00pm. For more information, Zoom link and prayers to download contact Janet Ward: jefward99@yahoo.com