

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER

In Partnership with St Thomas More Parish & Warwick Univ Catholic Chaplaincy

Sunday 4th July 2021: FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

Parish Website www.sjtwcoventry.org.uk Partner Parish Website www.stmcov.org

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SUNDAY 4TH JULY: FOUREENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	10.45am Public Mass 12.30pm University Mass in SJW church (for University AND Parishioners) (No 5pm Mass for the time being)	Catherine Carr The People of India
Monday 5 th July: Blessed George Napier	9am Live Stream Live Mass at STM click	~
Tuesday 6 th July: St Maria Goretti	~	~
Wednesday 7 th July	10am Live stream Mass at SJW	Bridget McConnell (B'day)
Thursday 8 th July	10am Live stream Mass at SJW	The Dowling Family
Friday 9 th July	6.30pm Live stream Mass at SJW	Canon Giles Goward
Saturday 10 th July	10am Live stream Mass at SJW	Fr Oliver Kemp
SUNDAY 11TH JULY FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SEA SUNDAY	10.45am Public Mass 12.30pm University Mass in SJW church (for University AND Parishioners) (No 5pm Mass for the time being)	Ryan O'Grady RIP The People of India

JULY, MONTH OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD ...but the Blood of Jesus, for our pardon cries

PLEASE BOOK FOR MASS (43 seats at both 1045 & 1230 Masses) on the parish website OR in writing

OR by email stjoseph.covty@rcaob.org.uk OR phone 02476 419 111 (answering machine always on)

***** PLEASE BOOK BY 5PM ON SATURDAY: WE MAY MISS LATER BOOKINGS! *****

WE ARE LIVE ON THE INTERNET - FOLLOW MASS ONLINE: link below and on the website

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

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

Please pray for the departed: Eileen Connolly, Michael O'Shaughnessy Fr Oliver Kemp, Albert Busby, Leo McKeown, Bernadette Feehan, Jennifer Shaw, Theresa Beresford, Ellen Hull, Lacy Kyle, Jim Cook, John Simcox, Valerie Hartley, Ryan O'Grady and all who have recently died and for all whose anniversaries occur about this time: Ernest McCarron, Jack Howarth, Catherine Rogers, Kathleen Bailey, James Mullen, Ida Moore, Mary Pearce, James Lillis, Fr Leo Joppe, Mgr Louis McRaye, Deacon Anthony Batemen, Fr Bernard Maddox, Fr Brendan Donlon. 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:

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 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

← COVID-19: KEEP MORE THAN 1 METRE APART →

THE END OF COVID RESTRICTIONS...?

The Government continues to plan for the ending of restrictions on Monday 19 July. This is just three weeks away – please pray that it will be safe to do this and so that it happens as planned. It will then be so much simpler to have so much more going on. We cannot be certain that every single rule will vanish (we will be told in good time) but it should transform our use of church and hall. It will have been a long time and it is only right that proceed carefully and as individuals feel able. Things won't suddenly spring back to how they were in January 2020. Please pray for a return to 'normal' and please be ready to help that!

UNIVERSITY CHAPLAINCY MASS IS AT ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH at 1230. Although for students, **anyone is welcome to attend** which will help if 1045 remains full. **A warm welcome to all students and staff!**

WHO'S WHO

AMONG THE PARISH CLERGY..?

Fr Stephen - the tall one, with combed back hair and round glasses – **is parish priest here and parish priest of St Thomas More**

Fr Peter – not so tall, with a brummie accent and proud of it – **is assistant priest here and assistant Catholic chaplain at the University**

Deacon David – white hair and sounding like he comes from Surrey (which he does) – **is the Catholic Chaplain to Warwick University and the parish deacon here.**

*Do say hello and introduce yourselves.
Don't hesitate to be in contact if we can help.*

OUR LADY'S CANDLE IS LIT FOR: Chloe Holden

ALWAYS REMEMBER THE BASIC COVID RULES
HANDS – sanitise, **FACE** – wear a face covering over mouth *and* nose, **SPACE** – stay **AT LEAST 1 metre (or 3 feet)** away from people not in your household. *Seats must always be 1.5 metres from the aisle and the point of Communion and anyone else not in your household.*

PUBLIC MASSES IN THE PARTNERED PARISHES
Sunday Vigil Mass at STM: 5.00pm Saturday
Sunday Masses: 9.00am at STM & 10.45am at SJW
1230 University Chaplaincy Mass at SJW
PLEASE REMEMBER that parishioners and students alike are very welcome at either 1045 or 1230 Masses. There are seats available at 1230: don't feel you have to stand outside at 1045, try 1230.

Friday Mass: 9.00am at STM followed by Exposition

FR STEPHEN WRITES There is truly a lot for us to be pondering and praying about as a parish now. All being well, in three weeks' time we shall be celebrating Mass largely free of restrictions. It is very, very unlikely, however, that everything will suddenly snap back to how it was. How quickly are you planning to return to Mass if you haven't yet? Are you able and willing to take up any responsibility or ministry that you had? Or indeed, take up a new one? We shall, like every parish, have to grow back into our post-pandemic 'normal' and we cannot know for certain just yet what that will be. Next, we need to set this in the context of unfolding God's plan for the diocese, of working to create missionary disciples. What hinders and what helps us to do that? As some of the resources of the diocese are stretched and their deployment is reconsidered, what might that mean? This all coincides with Pope Francis's call for diocesan synods to take place world-wide and the four topics we need to consider carefully (see Fr Peter's comments), that the Holy Spirit may lead us forward. Please pray for the Holy Spirit to be at work in our parishes, our diocese and the Church. There is so much opportunity for positive change, if we let Him guide us. Today's Gospel sees Jesus doubted by those in His hometown, familiar with His youth. May we never find ourselves resisting the challenges God gives to us, for in meeting them we advance in the way that can only bring us closer to Him.

FR PETER REFLECTS: Archbishop Bernard has recently announced that our response to the Pope's world-wide call for each diocese to prepare for a Synod, to discuss how we can be more effective missionary disciples - by reflecting on the themes of Evangelisation, Formation, Liturgy and Worship and Social Outreach. The following extract from Pope Francis's book *Let us Dream* explains the background to this process: "My concern as Pope has been to re-invigorate the ancient practice of synodality. I wanted to develop this ancient process not just for the sake of the Church but as a service to humanity that is so often in paralysed disagreements. The term comes from the Greek syno-dos, 'walking together', and this is its goal: not so much to forge agreement as to recognise, honour, and reconcile differences on a higher plane where the best of each can be retained. In the dynamic of a synod, differences are expressed and polished until you reach, if not consensus, a harmony that holds on to the sharp notes of its differences. This is what happens in music: with seven different musical notes with their sharps and flats a harmony is created that allows for the better articulation of the singularities of each note. Therein lies its beauty: the

harmony that results can be complex, rich, and unexpected. In the Church the one who brings about the harmony is the Holy Spirit." (p81)

ZOOM DISCUSSION GROUP on *Let Us Dream*
Thank you to all who joined these events.

THIRTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION This Wednesday please say a prayer for Fr Peter who celebrates the thirtieth anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood on that day. *Ad multos annos!*

RETURNING TO 'NORMAL'... Once the Covid restrictions disappear (we hope on 19 July, just two weeks away) we shall quite possibly be able to have tea and coffee after Mass, sing congregationally, gather in larger numbers and so on. Please think about helping to bring the post-pandemic 'normal' back, and shaping what that will turn out to be. But this should only be done when people feel safe and able. We **must respect** the hesitation at physical closeness that some people may quite reasonably have. A year and half of lockdown cannot end without some changes in both our thinking and in what we do.

WEDNESDAY 8 SEPTEMBER Our Lady's Birthday AND the Fortieth Anniversary of St Joseph's Church. Something to celebrate and – most likely – after the removal of Covid restrictions! We want to have an evening Mass and a social event afterwards. Please put the date in your diary and if you can help, please say so to one of the clergy. **Thank you.**

COMMUNION FOR THE HOUSEBOUND

As the Covid restrictions about going into private homes ease, it is **possible to offer Communion once more to the housebound** who ordinarily received it. If you are housebound and feel that you are ready and it is safe for you to receive Communion at home again, **please contact one of the priests.** You may or may not feel the time is right: but, **please, BE IN TOUCH IF YOU DO**

READING AT MASS Henry Whitney is now kindly organising the return of readers at Mass.

GIVING ENVELOPES & STANDING ORDERS Have you considered giving by standing order, direct from your bank account to the parish's? If you are an **income tax payer**, sign up for Gift Aid which adds 25% to your giving at no cost to you. Please see June Palmer or contact the parish. You can also set up a regular or single donation on the diocesan website: (www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk) click on Donate (top right) and follow the instructions. When asked which church, select 'Coventry: Canley'. **Thank you for your giving, especially in these times.**

KNOW ANYONE STRUGGLING TO AFFORD FOOD? Find out how to **get help** from a foodbank and how to **give help** by visiting coventry.foodbank.org.uk

CONFESSION: May be celebrated outdoors in a public space maintaining social distancing. Please ask the priests.

PRAYER FOR THE YEAR OF ST JOSEPH:
Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION: £55.

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