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SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Psalter Week: 1

Weekday Cycle: Year 1

Sunday Year: B

Saturday 20 th	Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	4.15pm	STM	Confessions	
		5.00pm	STM	Vigil Mass	Tim and Nora O’Keeffe (Anniv)
Sunday 21 st	Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.00am	STM	Mass	Jim Fulton (10 th Anniv)
		11.00am	SJW	Mass	Dolores Connolly (RIP)
Monday 22 nd	St Mary Magdalene			No Mass	
Tuesday 23 rd	St Bridget	10.00am	SJW	Mass	Kathleen Joyce (RIP)
Wednesday 24 th	Feria	11.00am	STM	Mass ‘n’ Mingle	Mgr T J Gavin (Ordination Anniv)
		3.30pm	SJW	Vigil of Reception for Carmela George (RIP)	
Thursday 25 th	St James	10.00am	STM	Mass	Kevin Shakespeare (Ints)
		11.00am	SJW	Requiem Mass for Carmela George (RIP)	
Friday 26 th	Ss Joachim and Anne	10.00am	STM	Mass	Liam McHugh (RIP)
Saturday 27 th	Our Lady	10.00am	SJW	Mass followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
				Kate Elkin (RIP)	
Sunday 28 th	Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	4.15pm	STM	Confessions	
		5.00pm	STM	Vigil Mass	Maureen Darcy (RIP)
Sunday 28 th	Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.00am	STM	Mass	Wendy, Mary & James Walsh
		11.00am	SJW	Mass	Pauline Lynch (B’day)

Today’s readings highlight the need for rest and prayer in our busy lives. Jesus and His apostles took time to retreat and rest, showing the importance of stepping away from daily demands to connect with God. Jesus often found quiet places to pray, teaching us the value of solitude and reflection. By setting a regular prayer time and finding a quiet place, we can deepen our relationship with God, just as Jesus did. This helps us stay grounded and refreshed in our faith.

Almighty Father, we thank You for Your constant care and guidance. Help us to trust in Your leadership and to follow You faithfully. Unite us in Christ and fill our hearts with peace. Teach us to show compassion to others, just as Jesus did. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

STM Website: www.stmcov.org.uk
SJW Website: www.sjtwcoventry.org.uk
Twitter: @StThosMore **Facebook:** @StThosMore
Coventry Catholic Deanery: www.coventry-catholicdeanery.org.uk

STM Livestream webcam: <https://www.youtube.com/@StThomasMoreCov>
SJW Livestream webcam: www.youtube.com/watch?v=APw4-lDw

OFFERTORIES

STM Collection: £812.00
STM Sea Sunday Collection: £379.50
SJW Collection: £172.00
SJW Sea Sunday Collection: £96.00

Thank you for your continued generosity

WELCOME to Mass today. A special welcome to anybody joining us for the first time. Please introduce yourself, and if you're able, stay for refreshments after the Mass.

WE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF Lesley Phillips, Paul Mackey, Maureen Glendon, Carmela George, Shelia Ottley (Requiem Mass on 31st July at STM), **Gregory Deeley** (Requiem Mass on 1st August at STM), **Tim Connolly** (Requiem Mass on 6th August at STM), **João Jerônimo rego das Neves, Fr Brendan Carrick, Daniel McAlinden** and **Baby Adufe** together with all who have died recently. We pray for them and their families at this time. May they rest in peace.

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK AND UNWELL: Darrel Cemm, Carol Ann Little, Edith Whatling, Margaret Eason, Madge Ward, Heather Walton, Jay Veeman, Pat Farr, Phil Sands, Margaret Kelly, Joanna MacKinnon, Hilary Hanson, Debbie Colby, Monika Tokarska-Hosoi, Joan Theaker, Veronica Hammond, Peter Kennedy, Baby Alice, John Walker, Irma Connolly, Pauline Cullinane, Beatrice Upham, Maureen Pearson, Peter Carvell, Sheila Jenkins, Lillian Chapman, Irena Bienek, Georgina Brannigan-Smith, Ann Kenny, Rose Warburton, Keelin Treharne, Josie McElroy, David O'Grady, Joan O'Leary.

WE OFFER CONGRATULATIONS to Deacon Leo who celebrates ten years since his Ordination to the Diaconate. Following the 5.00pm Mass there will be light refreshments available in the MRR. Please do come along and help celebrate this anniversary.

SECOND COLLECTION for Church Flowers at STM and SJW.

FR PETER WRITES: 'I am so grateful for the generosity of your monetary and other gifts, cards and good wishes. May I thank Dr Peter O'Brien for his kind words of appreciation, which were very moving and to those parishioners who baked such a lovely cake for me at the parish barbecue. With my prayers for you and your families.'

THANK YOU to all those who supported the SJW Parish BBQ last Sunday and gathered to say farewell to Fr Peter. If anyone took photographs during the event, could you please email them to the parish email address.

KINGDOM OF GOD PRAYER GROUP meet on Monday evenings in the MRR from 7.00pm to 8.30pm.

ON FRIDAY we keep the feast of St Joachim and St Anne. Although not found in the gospels, a tradition from the 2nd Century gives these names to the parents of Our Lady, which therefore makes them the grandparents of Jesus. Today is the World Day of Prayer for Grandparents. We pray for all those who have the important role of grandparents, and we give thanks for the witness that they have given and continue to give in handing on the faith to the generations that followed them.

THE SUMMER HOLIDAYS have now begun and some of you may be making plans to go away, whilst others may be staying put in 'Costa del Coventry.' Whatever your plans might be, we wish you a restful and peaceful time and safe travels as you return. Whilst away, don't forget to find or google the nearest Catholic church for Sunday Mass – just because you are on holiday doesn't mean the obligation to attend Mass is on holiday as well.

RETREAT AFTERNOON on Sunday 4th August from 2.00pm – 5.30pm hosted by the Kingdom of God Charismatic Prayer group in the MRR. The guest speaker will be Br Colin Calmiano. All are welcome for this afternoon of prayer and reflection, which will conclude with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction.

GOING INTO HOSPITAL If you or a relative are going into hospital, please be sure to tell the ward staff you are a Catholic and would like to see the Catholic Chaplain. Please also notify the Parish Clergy, so a visit, either by them or the Chaplain can be arranged.

LARGE PRINT NEWSLETTERS are available by request. If you would like one printing, please speak to Fr Simon.

BOOKING MASSES: There will on one diary for booking Masses at both church's and we ask people to use the envelopes available at the back of both STM and SJW. Please fill in all the required information and hand it to Fr Simon or push through the STM Presbytery letterbox. We ask that Masses be requested three months in advance of your required date. Please remember that preferred dates cannot be guaranteed as someone else might have asked for a particular day before you, but the nearest date will be offered.

FR HARRY CURTIS will be celebrating the 40th Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood on Sunday 4th August and he would like to invite you to celebrate with him. There will be Mass at 10.00am, followed by a reception, at Our Lady Help of Christians Church in Oxford OX4 2ND. There is a sign-up sheet at the back of SJW for anyone hoping to attend. So that we can organise transport, please tick if you would be interested in a minibus or if you are willing to drive and take passengers.

MARCH FOR LIFE will be taking place on Saturday 7th September in London. A coach is being organised leaving from All Souls Church at 9.45am, seats priced at £20. For more information, please see the poster at the back of church or contact All Souls on 024 7667 4161 for more information.

OUR PIETY STALLS are open after all Masses with a variety of cards and gifts available.

HARVINGTON HALL PILGRIMAGE is taking place on Sunday 1st September. This year the Mass will be celebrated by Abbot Paul Gunter OSB. Last year, a number of parishioners attended the Mass and suggested looking at a minibus. Obviously, September is a little while off, but with August on the horizon it is a difficult time to organise.

DEANERY ENEWSLETTER: To sign up and receive this newsletter, please visit www.coventry-catholicdeanery.org.uk.

SAFEGUARDING: The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies and procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Claire Rutter and Amanda Kelly at STM and Henry Whitney at SJW. They can be contacted using the emails below or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding Team can be contacted by calling 0121 230 6240 or by emailing safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.

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