

Holy Mass Year B. Psalter Wk4

10.00 Exposition of the blessed sacrament & confessions:

Sat 17th 6:00pm Eric Ormond RIP (bday ann) - Jane Goodyear RIP

Sun 18th 9:15am Therese Willett RIP (bday ann)

Children's Liturgy is taking a break and will resume in September

Refreshments in the Hall after 9:15am Mass and **CAKES FOR CAFOD**

Sun 18th 11:00am Krystyna Buja & Family Ints - Bday Thanksgiving & future healthy years & family

Weekdays Holy Rosary: 9:10am led by parishioners

Mon 19th 9:30am Steve Saunders RIP (bday ann) Tony Buckley RIP

Tue 20th 9:30am Briget Kuzhikkatty RIP - Henry Goff RIP *St Bernard*

Wed 21st 9:30am Nancy Burns RIP (bday ann) - Jean Skimore bday Ints *St Pius X*

Thu 22nd 9:30am Marie Trowell RIP - Kathleen Gallagher RIP (ann) *Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

Fri 23rd 9:30am Thanksgiving Vivin & Deepty (wedd ann) - Philip & Leema Thanksgiving *St John Wall*

Sat 24th 9:30am Pro Populo - Philip & Leema Thanksgiving *St Bartholomew*

* Mass intentions envelopes and Mass cards at the Piety Shop.

Let us Pray to the Lord

For the sick:

Theresa Devaney, Marie Lewis, John Barrass, Mary Browner, David Marsh, Kirsty Kalnins, Codey Darlison, Cynthia Mallabone, David Reeves, Stan Banks, Joan Hanlon, Margaret Berk-mire, Liz Lloyd, Mary Furlong, Juliette-Susan Glover, Joan Thomas & Illeana Goodman .

For all those in hospital and parishioners who receive the Blessed Sacrament at home.

For the recently departed: Jane Goodyear (30th Aug 11am) Suzanne Anderson & Liz Bostock. (29th Aug 12:15pm)

Anniversaries week beginning 18h August 2024

Joyce Payne, Nobby Jones, Alexander Muchero, Tom Fallon, Martha Hunt, Helen Power, Donald Bunney, Marie Trowell, Daphne Smith, Kathleen Mulligan, John Geraghty & Santo Lembo.

Clergy Anniversaries:

Deacon Douglas Taylor, HE Bernard William Griffin, Rev Alam Smith & Rev Patrick Branan.

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18th August 2024

THE PRIEST WHO VOLUNTEERED:

When Pope Francis made an apostolic visit to Poland for World Youth Day 2016, he visited the site of the Auschwitz-Birkenau Nazi death camp in Oswiecim. Today it is a chilling, but quiet landscape of green fields and empty barracks; but in 1942, it was the site of the mass killing of more than one million Jews, 23,000 Roma, 15,000 Soviet prisoners and thousands of other nationalities and groups that the Nazis wished to eradicate from the face of the earth!

Pope Francis made his way towards a small, dark prison cell in the barracks of Block 11, a place of unspeakable horrors where prisoners were tortured mercilessly and subjected to obscene experimentation. A single small candle illuminated the figure of the pontiff as he prayed. It was here that a Polish Franciscan priest Fr. Maximilian Kolbe, spent his final miserable hours before being given a lethal injection of carbolic acid on 14th August 1941. Fr. Maximilian had a very strong devotion to the Blessed Mother, it is difficult to explain how the Nazi decided to execute him the day before the Assumption. His body was cremated the following day, 15th August, the feast day of the Assumption of Mary. St John Paul II canonised him in 1982.

Many of us today find voluntary work difficult, but Fr. Maximilian went beyond that to volunteer his own life. It is said that in response to a prisoner escaping, the camp commander picked ten men at random to be starved to death as a deterrent to further escape attempts. When one of the selected men, Franciszek Gajowniczek, cried out, "my wife! my children!" Kolbe volunteered to take his place – giving literal voice to words of Jesus that "No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends." (John 15:13) He 'volunteered' to surrender his life to save a fellow prisoner from death.

Present at his canonisation was Franciszek Gajowniczek, the man whose life he had saved. He was captured while crossing the border into Slovakia during the 1939 invasion of Poland by Nazi Germany. Fr. Kolbe didn't know the man, Gajowniczek, was simply a fellow prisoner begging for his life. When he was asked why he wished to replace him he replied "I am a Catholic priest."

Saint John Paul II often referred to Maximilian Kolbe as the 'patron of our difficult century', no doubt because he saw in Kolbe's sacrifice the very relevant message that even in the most extreme and negative of circumstances, the God-created human person, is still capable of holding on to their dignity, and making free choices for the greater good of humanity.

"The deadly poison of our time is indifference," we have reduced ourselves to a new primitivism where we have lost empathy to become confused people competing, and mutually antagonistic and destructive individuals. The human species is still sadly more than capable of unspeakable atrocities, and of the kind of mutual destruction that appalled Kolbe.

Fr. Jimmy Lutwama AJ Parish Priest.



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The Parish Team:

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SAFEGUARDING: The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our parish Safeguarding Representative: Christine Scullion sg.oloangels.nuneaton@rcaob.org.uk Alternatively if you have any concerns please contact the Diocesan Safeguarding team 0121 230 6240 email safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns.

FINANCE: Second Collection:

Parish Finances week beginning 11/8/24

COLLECTION: £839.54 of which Gift Aid £323.00
FABRIC FUND: £637.09 of which Gift Aid: £440.11
AUG Tap & Go: £174.00 of which Gift Aid: £120.00
AUGUST STANDING ORDER: £1585.70

Sunday 10/11 August Mass attendance **592**

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Sun - Aug 18th Cakes for CAFOD after 9:15am Mass
Sun - Sep 1st Family Thanksgiving after 9:15am Mass
Tue - Sep 10/24th Seniors after 9:30am Mass
Wed - Sep 4/11/25th Bible Study after 9:30am Mass
Wed - Sep 18th Coffee morning after 9:30am Mass

18th August 2024 MATTERS OF IMPORTANCE:.

Father Simon Li Chi Yuen, will visit Sacred Heart Coventry Harefield Road, Coventry CV2 4BT on 20 August to hold Mass in Cantonese for everyone. 17:00 Confessions. 18:00 Mass. 19:00 Tea/Coffee in the hall. Arranged by Hong Kong community in collaboration with Co-ordinator of Ethnic Chaplaincies Mgr Daniel McHugh.

Death announcement: I am sorry to inform the parish that Elizabeth (Liz) Bostock passed away on Monday 12th, morning. Her funeral will take place on Thursday 29th August at 12:15pm. On behalf of the parishioners I extend our prayers and condolences to her family.

Please remember the Requiem Mass for Jane Goodyear will take place on Friday 30th August followed by burial in the church cemetery.

I am sorry to have to inform you that **Maria Pina Stella Simonetta** (nee Spina), passed away suddenly and unexpectedly on 13th August 2024. She was married at Our Lady's almost 40 years ago. They were travelling to Italy when it happened to see her Dad, Nic Spina, and their Italian family.

Cakes sale for CAFOD in the hall after 9:15am Mass this Sunday 18th August. Cakes from 50p and all proceeds will go to CAFOD. Thank you for supporting worthy causes. It makes a big difference.

Family thanksgiving day will take place on Sunday 1st September 2024. It will be an opportunity to have lunch and to spend the afternoon together. This is a very important moment to be together. There are so many things we need to thank God for in our private lives, in our families and in our community as a parish. Prepare as much food as the Lord has blessed you, invite your friends, come with a lapsed Catholic, let us open our hearts and minds by sharing our gratitude to God as we share the food contributed from our own hands. Bring some drink to share with others if you can. Children will need their drinks too, so apart from food, we shall need donations of water and soft drinks. This is our parish catholic summer festival. Be part of it. We shall also need some entertainment.

Marriage banns: Ashley Ealing of 140 Castle Road, Nuneaton, son of Steven and Stephanie Ealing, would like to marry Sarah Jones of 140 Castle Road, Nuneaton, daughter of Damian and Karen Jones. If there is anybody who knows why they should not get married to each other, please let them come and inform the parish priest as soon as possible.