

# Sacred Heart Parish Weekly Newsletter.

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100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our Parish and School

2024

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The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Pascal and Sue O'Malley. They can be contacted at: [sg.sacredheart.covty@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.sacredheart.covty@rcaob.org.uk) or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concern.

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

22 <sup>nd</sup> December 2024	
FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT (C)	
CTS New Sunday Missal. Readings p75. Preface p553. Eucharistic Prayer 3 p613	
Saturday 5.00pm	Brian McGonigle, R.I.P. (The Leckenby Family)
Sunday 10.30am	For all the people of the Parish.
Monday 9.00am	Geoff and Gerard Cole, R.I.P. (Julie and John)
Tuesday 9.00am	Fr Fred Sheldon, R.I.P.
CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES	
After the Christmas Masses please take home a Christmas message leaflet	
<b>CHRISTMAS EVE</b> 3.00pm 4.30pm Mass 7.00pm Mass	<b>CTS New Sunday Missal. Readings p81. Preface p553. Eucharistic Prayer 3 p613</b> <b>(Not a Mass)</b> Carols around the stable in the Hall for young children Deceased members of the O'Malley, McSharry & Caines families (Linda & Austin O'Malley) Ernie and Veronica Mills, R.I.P. (John, Elizabeth and Veronica)
<b>CHRISTMAS DAY</b> 10.30am Mass	<b>CTS New Sunday Missal. Readings p94. Preface p553. Eucharistic Prayer 3 p613</b> Marie Pascale Saboa, R.I.P. <b>And a special guest will be coming at the end of Mass!</b>
Thursday 10.00am	<b>Feast of St. Stephen, the first Martyr.</b> June Barber & Pat Lennon, R.I.P. Dermot O'Reilly, Sheila Williams, Dan Kershaw Special Intention (Cath Lennon)
Friday 9.00am	<b>Feast of St. John, Apostle, Evangelist.</b> Peter Mulvey, R.I.P. (Sandra and Family)
Saturday 8.15am 9.00am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Seamus O'Sullivan, R.I.P. (Kitty O'Sullivan)
Confessions	Saturday 9.30am – 10.00am and 4.30pm – 4.50pm
29 <sup>th</sup> December 2024	
FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH (C)	
CTS New Sunday Missal. Readings p107. Preface II of the Nativity p555. Eucharistic Prayer 3 p613	
Saturday 5.00pm	Anne Kerr (Celine and John McCrea)
Sunday 10.30am	For all the people of the Parish.



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:** £1,014.36 comprising: Gift-Aid envelopes: £137.00 non-Gift-Aid envelopes and cash: £425.36 Direct Giving (Standing Orders and donations) around £452.00. Thank you.

**Counters this week:** Team A.

**At the Christmas Eve and the Christmas Day Masses** there is only one collection which is your Christmas Offerings for your priest. Envelopes will be available at the back of Church if you would like to use them

**IMPORTANT** First Holy Communion for children attending non-Catholic Schools. **Can parents call in briefly to meet with Sr Ann** after the 10.30am Mass on 5<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> January. And there will be an additional meeting for all parents on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> January from 6.00pm to 7.00pm The First Communion programme will be starting on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> January at 5.00pm in the Church Hall.

**Thank you all so much** for your wonderfully kind and generous response to helping our families in need. I know from the school that many families were helped and are deeply grateful to you. The surplus has been delivered to the Foodbank and will help more people. God bless,

*Fr. Tony.*

**Forthcoming social events in the Hall:**

**Friday 10th January** - Games

**Please support Coventry Book Bank.** Many children in schools and in the care system do not have any reading books of their own. There is a green wheelie bin as a collection point at the back of the church. For further information email [maeve@thereadingdoctors.com](mailto:maeve@thereadingdoctors.com) or call: 07813809213

**Monthly meeting on the third Sunday of the month** to support and accompany 18+ LBGTQ+ Catholics, family members, and friends at Diamond House, 13 Stoney Road, CV1 2NP. For more information, please contact Dcn Leo 07984 071124 [dcn.leo.poole@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:dcn.leo.poole@rcaob.org.uk)

**Sunday evening Mass in the Deanery.** There is a Sunday evening Mass in St Osburg's at 6.00pm.

**7-Day Candles: 21<sup>st</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> December**

**Sacred Heart:** Catriona Murphy, R.I.P.; Special Intention M&A; Tincy Special Intention.

**Our Lady:** Muriel (Molly) Sargeant, R.I.P.; Andrew Wallbank, R.I.P.; Maureen Smith, R.I.P.

**By the small Crucifix:** Alisha Family Protection; Frank Dewhurst, R.I.P.

**Please pray for** Adolfo Miralles, Lily Zuccarino, Jorge Miralles, Jose Luis Miralles, Patience Whittaker, Lourenco Dias, Kathleen Griffin, Franc Bili, Eddie Cannon, Eileen Hardie, Joshua Hubert, Sue Thomas, Margaret Whittle and all who are sick, for the repose of the souls of Fr Fred Sheldon, Madeline Griffin, Stephen Naughton and all who have died and for all whose anniversaries occur at this time. Please keep in your prayers the families of those who have died.

**Transform** Renewal Convention and Healing Service. St Mary and Benedict Church, Raglan Street January 18<sup>th</sup> 12.00pm – 3.00pm. Please see posyter in porch for more details.

**Aid to the Church in Need** ACN (UK) has launched an Open Letter campaign calling on Foreign Secretary David Lammy to make persecuted religious communities priority recipients of UK Overseas Development Aid (ODA). They need your help to reach their goal of 10,000 signatures, which will trigger a response from the Government. Please sign their open letter today:

<https://acnuk.org/our-campaigns/red-wednesday-advocacy-letter>

**Sacred Heart Prayer group** meets every Tuesday evening **in the hall** at 7:30pm. Everyone is welcome

**Offertory Donations to the Parish** The best way is by Standing Order (You can amend or cancel this with your bank at any time) **If you pay tax but don't yet Gift-Aid your donation, please ask for a form.**

**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.