

**THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF
ST JOHN VIANNEY
AND OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION
COVENTRY**

NEWSLETTER

WELCOME ~ COMMUNITIES OF FAITH, PRAYER AND SERVICE

**ST JOHN VIANNEY CATHOLIC CHURCH
1 BISHOPTON CLOSE, COVENTRY CV5 7GW**

**OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH
650 TILE HILL LANE NORTH, COVENTRY CV4 9TA**

Served by and Contact Details:

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[24 HOURS]

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CELEBRATIONS of the Sacraments of Baptism, Marriage and Reconciliation - PLEASE CONTACT FR DES.

WEBSITES:

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OLA - www.ola-cov.org.uk

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PARISH SECRETARIES

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THE CATHOLIC SCHOOLS IN OUR PARISHES:

ST JOHN VIANNEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

02476 464088 Headteacher: Mrs Veronica Gosling

OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION PRIMARY SCHOOL

02476 466655 Headteacher: Mrs Rachel Askew

BISHOP ULLATHORNE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

02476 414515 Headteacher: Mrs Sarah Boyle

The Parishes operate in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese's policies and procedures at all times. Our Parishes Safeguarding Representative is TRICIA TOWNER and can be contacted at sg.stjohnvianney.covty@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 or safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns.

This Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham (Registered Charity Number 234216).

**Have an Excellent Week – Filled with Faith + Joy,
Love + Peace. Do Take Great Care Fr Des.
12/01/2025 23.45PM.**

 **24 HR LIVE STREAMING IN BOTH CHURCHES - Please see notices in Churches for more details.**

BAPTISM OF THE LORD

11TH/12TH JANUARY 2025

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FEAST

MASS BOOK – PAGE 118

"A Judaeo - Christian Community in the Roman Catholic Tradition"

MASSES

TIMES

INTENTIONS

SATURDAY 11

OLA

4.30PM

Barbara 'Bunny' Heffner RIP / Imelda Grimes RIP

SJV

6.00PM

Helen While RIP / Intentions Kevin Shakespeare

SUNDAY 12

SJV

9.30AM

Amarjit Kaur RIP / Brian Spurgeon RIP / Noel Whelan RIP

OLA

11.00AM

Maisie McGee RIP / Denis and Peggy Cassidy RIP

Jose Moyses Camacho Rodrigues RIP / Daniel Martin RIP

MONDAY 13

NO MASS

TUESDAY 14

SJV

9.00AM

Special Intention (RD) / Anastasia Griffin RIP

WEDNESDAY 15

OLA

9.00AM

Mary O'Neill RIP / Intentions Malcom and

Michelle Keogh-Harris

THURSDAY 16

OLA

12.00PM

Intentions Marren Family / Vera Murphy RIP

Bridge Noone RIP

FRIDAY 17

SJV

9.00AM

Year 6 and Reception attend Mass

St Anthony

SJV

2.00PM

Special Intention (EH) / Elizabeth Whelan RIP

Year 2 Class Mass

SATURDAY 18

OLA

4.30PM

Intentions McGuigan Family

SJV

6.00PM

Helen White RIP / Special Intention (MC) / Lena Harris RIP

SUNDAY 19

SJV

9.30AM

Delia Nash RIP / Intentions Baby Ivy / Terry Devenney RIP

OLA

11.00AM

Mary Whitehead RIP / Frances Allsopp RIP

Peter O'Hara RIP / Anastasia Griffin RIP

The Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity begins on Saturday 18th January.

The Altar Sanctuary Lamp:

SJV

OLA

Our Lady's Shrine:

SJV

OLA

Sacred Heart Shrine:

SJV

OLA

Please remember in your prayers all who have died recently, especially Jimmy Bates, Daniel Martin, Mary Dunning, Vera Murphy, Bridie Noone, Ellen White, Delia Nash, Ian Jones, Harold Nhawira, Timothy O'Callaghan, Miles Moreton and all those who have died because of violence, terrorism, and tragedy and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time. ETERNAL PEACE AND HAPPINESS, GRANT TO THEM, O LORD. We remember in prayer Families and Friends who miss the presence of someone they love. May they be reassured always of the Lord's Love.

COLLECTIONS for 4th / 5th January

<u>SJV</u>	GIFT AID [Envelopes] [9]	£77.00	
	LOOSE	£200.05	<u>TOTAL £277.05</u>
<u>OLA</u>	GIFT AID [Envelopes]	£111.10	
	LOOSE	£243.61	<u>TOTAL £354.71</u>

Next Sunday (19th January) there will be a Second Collection for Pax Christi.

Thank you for your continued support for both our parishes.

ST JOHN VIANNEY

<u>Sunday Tea/</u>	12 th Jan - Maureen
<u>Coffee Rota:</u>	19 th – Kath Kennedy
	26 th – Teresa and Verne
<u>Craft + Chat:</u>	1st Tuesday of the Month
	1.30pm-3.30pm Parish Hall.
<u>Over 60's Exercise:</u>	Wednesdays 10.00am-11.00am.

OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION

<u>Children's Liturgy:</u>	During 11.00am Mass.
<u>Sunday Tea/Coffee:</u>	After 11.00am Mass in the Joan Clarke room.
<u>Craft/Computer Club:</u>	Wednesday 10.00-12.30pm.
<u>Divine Mercy Novena:</u>	Thursdays at 11am.
<u>Lunch Club:</u>	After 12noon Mass on Thursday
<u>Church Cleaning:</u>	2 nd & 4 th Thursdays of each month.
	<u>Volunteers needed!</u>

ITEMS OF INTEREST

DIOCESAN LOURDES PILGRIMAGE: Saturday 24th - Friday 30th May 2025. Bookings now open. Assisted pilgrims have the support of doctors, nurses, carers and hospitaliers throughout their time on pilgrimage and will participate fully in the pilgrimage. Please contact the Lourdes Pilgrimage Office to discuss assistance requirements: 0121 230 6288 adminlourdes@rcaob.org.uk. As well as applications from assisted pilgrims we're also keen to hear from doctors, nurses and carers eager to volunteer their time and experience in Lourdes. For more information contact

<https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/lourdes-pilgrimage>.

LGBTQ+ MEETINGS: Members of the LGBTQ+, their friends and family meet on the 3rd Sunday of the month at Diamond House, Stoney Road Age 18+. Next meeting 7:00pm date tba at 13 Stoney Road, CV1 2NP. For more information, please contact Deacon Leo on 024 7641 9731 or dcn.leo.poole@rcaob.org.uk.

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP MEETINGS: St Osburg's, 7pm to 9pm. Meeting dates 28th January, 18th February, 11th March, 8th April, 13th May, 17th June. To find out more please email Fr Benedict fr.benedict.skipper@rcaob.org.uk.

ALL NIGHT ADORATION: Over the last year, Christ the King, have established the practice of monthly all-night adoration. It is a beautiful time of silent prayer in church, and we are grateful for the good numbers who have supported this initiative. Moving forward, the adoration will be linked to the First Friday and First Saturday's devotion. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed from 7.30pm on the First Friday of each month, and Christ the King Church will be open for silent prayer until 6am on Saturday morning (access via the carpark side door). Confessions will be available between 7.30pm and 9pm.

OTHER PARISH NEWS



The 2025 Jubilee Year 'Pilgrims of Hope' will run from the opening of the Holy Door in St Peter's Basilica in Rome, on Tuesday 24 December 2024 to the Feast of Epiphany 2026.

The concept of Jubilee or Holy Year has been used by the Church to proclaim special years for forgiveness and reconciliation. **Booklets available in both churches for you to take home.**

RETREAT DAY FOR READERS: Saturday 25th January 9:30am – 1pm at St Osburg's.

RETREAT DAY FOR EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Saturday 22nd March 22nd 9:30am – 1pm at St Thomas More's.

SJV: We will be taking down the Christmas decorations following next Sunday's Mass (19th January). Any help gratefully accepted.

A BIG THANK YOU TO BOTH OUR CHURCHES AND ALL INVOLVED WITH OUR WONDERFUL CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS for the Crib, the Christmas Tree, the Flowers, to those who decorated the Churches, our Stewards, our Altar Servers, our Eucharistic Ministers, the Church Cleaners and to anyone I have forgotten - my sincere apologies!!

MANY THANKS for your Christmas Offerings – you are so kind, generous and thoughtful and thank you for all the cards and gifts.

In 2025 you are wished a Glimpse of Heaven, Much Happiness, Many Blessings, Lots of Joy

NEW YEAR PRAYER "Looking ahead into the New Year"

For all the possibilities ahead in the New Year, make me thankful, O Lord.

Give me courage and discernment in the face of so much chaos, despair and fear.

Help us to see how, in our circumstances we can contribute towards peace, faith and love.

And give us the will to translate our desires into action.