

# Sacred Heart Parish Weekly Newsletter. A CAFOD *livesimply* accredited parish



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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: <u>sg.sacredheart.covty@rcaob.org.uk</u> or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 <u>safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk</u> if you have any concern.

Parish Livestream: YouTube https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCNXaa0PR2IIDQExUXhzN2Ig

Dear Parishioners,

This weekend 25<sup>th</sup>/26<sup>th</sup> January there is a retiring collection for the work of Lepra. Click on the link to find out more about Lepra: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i\_EmuLReKIA</u>

The late Cardinal Martini wrote powerfully: "Jesus is wrapped in swaddling clothes and is lovingly welcomed by Mary. But He lies in a manger - a place where no baby should ever lie – for want of a home. He is poor, alone. ..What, then, does the poverty of the manger mean? What does the poverty of Bethlehem say to us and to the Church today? It is being for the poor; willingly putting ourselves by their side in their need for essential things such food shelter, work, as affection, health. To be for them, by their side, doesn't mean neglecting others but it means to be concerned about those who find themselves in the same condition in which Christ Himself chose to be. It goads us incessantly to be for the poor - to seek them out, identify them, help and support them. Think of the many good works that the Christian community has done and continues to do under the

26 <sup>th</sup> January 2025	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)	
CTS New Sunday Missal. Readings p975. Preface IV p571. Eucharistic Prayer 3 p613	
Saturday	
5.00pm	Eunan MacIntyre Snr R.I.P. (Celine McCrea)
Sunday	
10.30am	For all the people of the Parish.
Monday	
9.00am	Bridie and Frank O'Brien, R.I.P. (Anne O'Brien)
Tuesday	St. Thomas Aquinas, priest, Doctor of the Church.
9.00am	Jaison Joseph, R.I.P. (Lijo Jose)
Wednesday	
5.45pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
6.30pm	Christine Strong 50 <sup>th</sup> Birthday (Mary, Tony and Family)
After Mass	Scriptural Rosary for families
Thursday	
9.00am	A. Joby Special Intention (S. Joby)
Friday	St. John Bosco, Priest.
9.00am	Andy O'Sullivan and Eileen Moynihan, R.I.P.
Saturday	
8.15am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
9.00am	Stephen Naughton, R.I.P. (Maurice and Anne)
Confessions	Saturday 9.30am – 10.00am and 4.30pm – 4.50pm
2 <sup>nd</sup> February 2025	
FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD (C)	
CTS New Sunday Missal. Readings p1119. Preface p1122. Eucharistic Prayer 3 p613	
Saturday	
5.00pm	Mary Maher, R.I.P. (Peggy O'Malley and Family)
Sunday	
10.30am	For all the people of the Parish.

stimulus of the poverty of Bethlehem!"

God Bless,

Tony





An Induction Loop system is provided. Please switch Hearing-Aid to 'T'



BABY CHANGING UNIT Provided in the disabled toilet.



Please switch off mobile phones when in Church. Thank you.



Scan QR code to donate via Dona: Last week's Offertory: £1,095.25 comprising: Gift-Aid envelopes: £115.00 non-Gift-Aid envelopes and cash: £455.25 Donated via Dona: £73.00 Direct Giving

(Standing Orders and donations) around £452.00. <u>This weekend</u> retiring collection for the work of Lepra. (You can use the Dona Machine for this) <u>Counters this week:</u> Team B.

Sale of Asian Suits and Accessories - Sunday 2nd February 11.45 to 1.15 pm. We will be holding a sale of Asian suits after mass on 2nd February. Ready made suits, unstitched suits, jewellery, bags and accessories. Competitive prices. Everyone welcome.

## Quiz Night - Saturday 22nd March – 7.00pm

£2 entry. Food to purchase on the night. Bring your own drinks. Soft drinks and teas and coffees available to purchase.

<u>First Holy Communion</u> for children attending non-Catholic Schools will be starting this **Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup>** January at 5.00pm in the Church Hall.

**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 <u>maeve@thereadingdoctors.com</u> 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 <u>Sunday evening Mass in the Deanery.</u> There is a Sunday evening Mass in St Osburg's at 6.00pm.

## 7-Day Candles: 25<sup>th</sup> January – 1<sup>st</sup> February

**Sacred Heart:** Tincy Special Intention; Jacob Family Special Intention.

Our Lady: Alisha Family Protection.

By the small Crucifix: Catriona Murphy, R.I.P.

**Please pray for** Reeja Xavier, 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 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.

<u>Aid to the Church in Need</u> 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

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

<u>Offertory Donations to the Parish</u> 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.** 

#### **Jubilee Prayer**

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom. May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen