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Holy Mass Year C. Psalter Week 3

Sat 22nd 6:00pm Declan O'Callaghan RIP

Sun 23rd 9:15am Beatrice Dowding 103rd bday Thanksgiving - Betty Neary RIP

Children's Liturgy begins in the Hall before Mass

Refreshments in the Hall after 9:15am Mass

Sun 23rd 11:00am Joao Santano Xavier RIP - Jacky Graining RIP

Weekdays Holy Rosary: 9:10am led by parishioners

Mon 24th 9:30am Broadaway & Ashley Families Intentions

24th 2:00pm Requiem for Joe Sabec

Tue 25th 9:30am Beatrice Dowding 103rd birthday Intentions

Wed 26th 9:30am Mary Skidmore RIP

26th 5:30pm First Holy Communion Parents Meeting

Thu 27th 9:30am Bettie McCreath RIP

27th 10:00am Internment of Ashes of Joe Sabec

Fri 28th 9:30am Thanksgiving Mass

Sat 1st 9:30am McKillion Family RIP St David

# Sat 10.00 Exposition of the blessed sacrament & confessions:

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

Let us Pray to the Lord

For the sick:

Theresa Devaney, Marie Lewis, Mary Browner, David Marsh, Kirsty Kalnins, Codey Darlison, Cynthia Mallabone, David Reeves, Joan Hanlon, Margaret Berkmire, Liz Lloyd, Mary Furlong, Illeana Goodman, Mufaro Kwambana, Jim Jarvis, Mick Diskin, Martin Reed, Alice Guiney, Abi Glenn, Mick Broadaway, Carol Wright & Caelan Shannon.

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

For the recently departed: Mary Standen (13th March)

Anniversaries week beginning: 23rd February 2025

Brian Taylor, John McDonald, Paula Moore, Joseph Greaves, Desmond Smith, Baby Bojan, Nina Friswell, Mary Gash, Stanislaw Kresinski, Catherine McCarthy, Derek Wilkinson, David Webb, Teresa Doherty & Henry Ainscough.

Clergy Anniversaries:

Rev Michael McCabe, Rev Martin Meagher, Rev John Collins, Rev Oliver Kemp, Bishop Joseph Cleary, Rev George Brewster, Rev George Tarrant, Rev John Flynn & Bishop Kevin Dunn.

# Our Lady of the Angels Catholic Church

The Presbytery, Coton Road, Nuneaton CV11 5UA

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23rd February 2025

### I FOUND THIS PIECE OF HISTORY INTERESTING

These days, I have been so pleased to see new people almost every week at Mass. It is a sign that when the Sunday Mass ends, you go out there and do the work of evangelisation. This is something that I thank you for, otherwise new worshippers would not come to Sunday Mass here if someone did not encourage them.

Our parish church has a long history which is interesting too. In 1757, the sum total of Catholics in the whole of Coventry was just four (4) people! It was still only 300-400 people when Joseph started to build the Church in Nuneaton, by 1850, there were 22 catholic chapels across Warwickshire, and St. Osburg Church in Coventry which was built seven years later, had a congregation of about a thousand by that time. There was heavy evangelization efforts.

The mission in Nuneaton was first served from Hinckley which was supported by Turville Family who owned Aston Flamville Hall at Burbage. It was with their support and that of the Dominican Missions at St. Peter's in Hinckley, that the Nuneaton Church came to be established. Before our church was built, a rented room in Nuneaton was used to celebrate Mass on a fortnightly basis. Historical Oscott Archives show that as early as 1832, requests for funding of a chapel in Nuneaton which was in great want for a chapel was already going on. The few Catholics at that time made every sacrifice beyond imagination to raise money to secure land and to start the work of building. A site of just under two acres was purchased at Coton Road in 1837 at a total cost of £387.00 (three hundred eighty seven pounds )a huge amount at that time. The first stone in the ground was laid by Sir Ambrose and Lady Phillipps de Lisle of Grace Dieu Manor and having been blessed by fr. Augustine Proctor OP who had also officiated at Atherstone Priory. One month later Joseph who contracted the building started the work, and what was seen as a meagre affair has become what we know of Our Lady of the Angels of the Church today.

Our parish church does not have many detailed architectural designs the building was built according to early English design with lancet windows. The lack of detailed decorations was probably due to the fact that in 1839 the church was trying to liquidate outstanding debts which were either sent to Messr. Wright & Co. in London or to Rev William Nickolds OP at Hinckley. The work was completed in 1840. An Organ was donated that year by Mr John Hardman, probably stemming from the good relationship that Joseph the contractor had with the Hardman's while he was based in Birmingham.

As Nuneaton grew into a town so did the Church, generation after generation of parishioners have made it their spiritual home, therefore there is no reason why we should not make it our spiritual home and for our children too.

Thanks to <u>Mr Richard Trivett</u> a parishioner and a very active member of the choir who shared this piece of history about our church with me. I found it very interesting.

Fr. Jimmy Lutwama AJ Parish Priest.



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Contact the parish office for the Sacraments of Marriage and Baptism. Hall Bookings, Gift Aid and all general enquiries.

#### The Parish Team:

Parish Priest: Fr Jimmy Lutwama AJ. fr.jimmy.lutwama@rcaob.org.uk Deacons: Rev Mike Skidmore 024 76384406 Rev Phil Bracken 07355 535666 Presentation Sisters: Sr Therese, Sr Jacinta & Sr Helen 024 76350615 Parish Secretary: Ms Stephanie Taunton (Mon to Fri 9am to 1pm)

Schools: Our Lady and St Josephs School TEL: 024 76383807 St Thomas More Catholic Academy & Sixth Form College Tel: 024 76642400

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 <a href="mailto:safe-guarding@rcaob.org.uk">safe-guarding@rcaob.org.uk</a>.

## FINANCE: Second Collection: 2nd Mar Cathedral Maintenance

Parish Finances week beginning 16/2/24

COLLECTION: £845.15 of which Gift Aid £232.00 **Many**FABRIC FUND: £178.00 of which Gift Aid: £178.00 **Thanks!** 

FEB Tap & Go: £1061.50 of which Gift Aid: £296.50

FEBRUARY STANDING ORDER: £1742.67

RACIAL JUSTICE: £222.24

To DONATE

Sunday 8/9 February Mass attendance 666 Scan QR Code

Gift Aid it! - to add 25% to the value of your donation contact the parish office!

#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Mon - Feb 24th Meditation 7:30pm

Tue - Feb 25th 4-5pm Holy Communion class

Tue - Feb 25th 7:30pm RCIA

Wed - Feb 26th Bible Class after Mass Wed - Feb 26th Bible Study 7:30pm

Sun - Mar 9th CAFOD LENTEN Soup Lunch after 9:15 Mass

Tue - Mar 4/18th Seniors after Mass

Wed - Mar 19th Coffee morning after Mass

#### MATTERS OF IMPORTANCE:

**Ash Wednesday** will be celebrated on 5th March, it is the starting of the season of Lent. We shall have 2 Masses at 9:30am and at 7:00pm in the evening.

Stations of the Cross are celebrated every Friday of Lent to remind us of the passion of Jesus because of our sins. I ask you to come so that we can walk the Way of the Cross together.

First Meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council: The parishioners who you nominated to form the Parish Pastoral Council will have their meeting on Monday 3rd March at 6:00pm Those who are invited to attend are Fr Jimmy Lutwama AJ, Fr John O'Brien (retired), Deacon Michael, Deacon Phil, Sr. Jacinta. Mr Kevin Goodyear, Mrs Patricia Rudkin, Mrs Rosemary Owen, Mr Danny Murphy, Mrs Helen Hawley, Mrs Sarah Tempra, Mrs. Lianne Pap, Mrs Christine Scullion, Mrs Alison Turnbull, Mrs Jacinta Sequeira, Mr Pauly Palamatton and Mr Philip Skariah Kuttiyil.

**Charis evening, Friday** 28th February, 6-8pm at Corpus Christi Church, CV3 2QP: Rosary, Mass, talk by Fr Aloysius, adoration and Confessions, followed by refreshments. All welcome.

**Escorted Tour to Westport, Knock** & Co Mayo, 10<sup>th</sup> March 2025. £799.00 pps. Price includes flight, 10kg hold luggage, 4 nights' in 4\* Castlecourt Hotel, Westport with Dinner, Bed & Breakfast. Lunch on three days. All entertainment, excursions and transport included. Visit Knock, Galway City, Kylemore Abbey, Croagh Patrick, Ballintubber Abbey, Quiet Man Museum. Single supplement on Enquiry. Contact 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email <a href="mailto:knockpilgrimages@gmail.com">knockpilgrimages@gmail.com</a>.

**Upgrading Electricity switchboard:** which was probably installed in early 1960's started last week to bring it to current acceptable safety standards. It is part of the fabric fund collection that you make every Sunday. Once it is done, it will increase our safety standards which are at the moment still in the analogue era. Thanks for your generosity.

**Church Car park:** complaints have been brought to my attention concerning the scarcity of parking spaces for parishioners who come to daily Mass. I'm asking for your advice concerning this matter. What is causing the problem and how can it be solved? From the financial records, the parish spends substantial amount of money annually to maintain the carpark; what provisions do we have in place to meet the expenses of wear and tear which are increasing?

**Funeral announcement** is made of Mr Joseph Sabec 'Joe' of Aldersgate, Rose Lane, Nuneaton, which occurred on Thursday 6th February 2025 aged 96 years. Funeral will take place on Monday 24th February 2025 at Our Lady Of The Angels Roman Catholic Church at 2:00PM followed by cremation at 3:30pm.

**Information Board** has been mounted on the outside wall of the parish hall to help you know what is going on in the church and in the parish. Please have a look at it from time to time because it has updated information.

**Notice to all current Altar Servers** and those wishing to join the guild: There will be a training session on the 29th of March in church at 1pm for ALL servers to attend. This will be a session to go through the Mass, implement a few minor changes, and refresh our understanding of serving at the Altar. Please can all who are able to attend the session, and let your MC know if you are not available. Anybody wishing to join the team at Our Lady's is very welcome to come along as well!

**Marriage banns**: Edwin Simpson, son of Michael and Joelle Simpson, would like to marry Sarah Richardson, daughter of Philip and Alison Richardson. 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.

**Talk on the Divine Office:** Deacon Michael will be giving a talk on Wednesday 12th March (after Mass in the lounge) about the Divine Office (Prayer of the Church).