

The Catholic Parishes of
ST JOHN VIANNEY
 and **OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION**
 Coventry

NEWSLETTER

WELCOME to Mass today. We extend a special welcome to anybody joining us for the first time.

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:

OUR PRIEST: Fr Desmond Devenney 02476 466332
 [24 HOURS]

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

BAPTISM dates at both SJV and OLA Churches
 SJV Sunday 9th March - OLA Sunday 16th March
 SJV Sunday 11th May - OLA Sunday 18th May
 SJV Sunday 8th June - OLA Sunday 15th June
 SJV Sunday 13th July - OLA Sunday 20th July
 SJV Sunday 14th September - OLA Sunday 21st September
 SJV 12th October - OLA Sunday 19th October
 SJV Sunday 9th November - OLA Sunday 16th November

PARISH SECRETARIES

SJV Louise Cawley 02476 466332
 E-mail stjohnvianney.covty@rcaob.org.uk
 Office Hours: Tuesday and Thursday 9.00am - 4.00pm.

OLA Michelle Harris 02476 466834
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 Office Hours: Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 9.00am - 3.00pm.

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

WEBSITES:

SJV - www.st-john-vianney.org.uk
 OLA - www.ola-cov.org.uk
 ARCHDIOCESE - www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk
 COVENTRY DEANERY WEBSITE - www.coventry-catholicdeanery.org.uk

SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVE - SJV and OLA

Tricia Towner – sg.stjohnvianney.covty@rcaob.org.uk

 **24/7 LIVE**
 STREAMING IN BOTH
 CHURCHES - Please see
 notices in Churches.

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. 01/03/2025 23.45PM

2nd March 2025

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

(YEAR C)

FEAST

Today's Responsorial Psalm – "It is good to give thanks to you, O Lord"

MASSES

TIMES

INTENTIONS

SATURDAY 1ST

OLA 4.30PM
SJV 6.00PM

Michael Gibbons RIP
Special Intention (M) / Anne O'Brien RIP

St David
Patron St of Wales

SUNDAY 2ND

SJV 9.30AM
OLA 11.00AM

Michael Cusack RIP / Mike Gibbons RIP
Brooklyn Dunn RIP / Mark Gibbons RIP

Monday 3rd

NO MASS

Shrove Tuesday 4th

SJV 9.00AM

Patrick Mullen RIP

St Casimir
Patron St of Poland

Ash Wednesday 5th

OLA 9.00AM
SJV 10.30AM
OLA 6.00PM
SJV 7.00PM

School / Fr John Pinkman RIP / John (Sean) Carey RIP
School / PEOPLE OF THE PARISH (SJV)
Intentions June Leek / Peter Clyne RIP
PEOPLE OF THE PARISH (SJV)

Thursday 6th

OLA 12.00PM
OLA 6.00PM
SJV 7.00PM

Michael Duffy RIP
STATIONS OF THE CROSS
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Friday 7th

SJV 9.00AM

Johnnie Devlin RIP

Sts Perpetua
and Felicity

SATURDAY 8TH

OLA 4.30PM
SJV 6.00PM

Deacon Pat Flanagan RIP / Paul Brookes RIP
Bob Costello RIP

**FIRST SUNDAY 9TH
 OF LENT**

SJV 9.30AM
OLA 11.00AM
SJV 6.00PM

Fr Frank Johnson RIP
Brooklyn Dunn RIP
STATIONS OF THE CROSS / BENEDICTION

MARCH 2025 CANDLES – YOUR INTENTIONS

[Donations £5.00 - Thank you!]

The Altar Sanctuary Lamp:

SJV OLA - PAUL BROOKES RIP

Our Lady's Shrine:

SJV OLA

Sacred Heart Shrine:

SJV OLA

Please remember in your prayers all who have died recently, especially Andrew Flood, Johnnie Devlin, Bob Costello, Deacon Pat Flanagan, Daniel Martin 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.

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS for 22nd / 23rd February

<u>SJV</u>	GIFT AID [Envelopes] [18]	£113.00	
	LOOSE	£205.74	TOTAL £318.74
<u>OLA</u>	GIFT AID [Envelopes] [16]	£191.30	
	LOOSE	£211.22	TOTAL £402.52

Thank you for your continued support for both our parishes.

2nd Collections for March

This week – Cathedral Maintenance

16th March - Lent Fast (CAFOD)

23rd March – Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham.

ST JOHN VIANNEY

<u>Sunday Tea/</u>	2 nd March - Louise
<u>Coffee Rota:</u>	9 th March - Maureen
	16 th March – Teresa & 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>	11.00am Mass.
<u>Sunday Tea/Coffee:</u>	After Mass - Joan Clarke room.
<u>Craft/Computer Club:</u>	NONE THIS WEEK.
<u>Divine Mercy Novena:</u>	Thursdays at 11am.
<u>Lunch Club:</u>	NONE THIS WEEK.
<u>Church Cleaning:</u>	2 nd & 4 th Thursdays of each month. Volunteers needed!

ITEMS OF INTEREST

ALL NIGHT ADORATION AT CHRIST THE KING: The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed on the first Friday of each month from 7.30pm for silent prayer until 7.00am on Saturday morning (access via the carpark side door). Confessions available between 7.30pm and 9pm.

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

SOUP KITCHEN: Jubilee Hope Project - Offering hot soup and a roll to those in need. Meet at St Osburg's Hall **every Tuesday from 12noon to 2.00pm**. Looking for volunteers to help. Contact CTK office if interested.

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP MEETINGS: St Osburg's, **7pm to 9pm**. Next meeting **11th March**. To find out more please email Fr Benedict fr.benedict.skipper@rcaob.org.uk.

CHARIS: Corpus Christi Church every **4th Friday** of the month **6.00pm-8.00pm**.

THANKSGIVING MASS FOR MARRIAGE: Saturday 3rd May, at 12noon, at St Chad's Cathedral. Celebrated by Bishop Richard Walker. Register by 13th April.

LENT READING AND REFLECTION GROUP: This week at St Joseph the Worker. On **Thursday evenings throughout Lent at 7.00pm**. Alternating between St Thomas More and St Joseph the Worker.

COVENTRY COMHALTAS ST PATRICK'S CEILI: Friday 14th March 8.00pm - 11.30pm at Christ the King Club. Dancing to Innisfail Ceili Band (with Caller). Adults £5.00 Children £2.50.

For details, please contact PRO Jarlath Mulhern on 07876 013590.

ROSARY PRAYERS: Every Friday in Lent at 1.40pm at 'Our Lady of Coventry' statue, Priory Gardens, by Holy Trinity Church. Duration 30 minutes. All welcome.

OTHER PARISH NEWS

TODAY there will be a **Second Collection for Cathedral Maintenance**. St Chad was born in the 7th Century. He was educated at Lindisfarne. As a bishop he established his See at Lichfield. His reputation spread quickly and favourably as a kind pastor who sought out the lost and cared for the sick. He died at Lichfield in 672. Today his shrine is located in St Chad's Cathedral, Birmingham. He is the patron saint of the Archdiocese of Birmingham.

THE SEASON OF LENT helps us to prepare for the celebration of Easter. The forty days of Lent run from Ash Wednesday up to but excluding the Mass of the Lord's Supper. On the Wednesday before the First Sunday of Lent, the faithful receive the ashes. This sign of penance, a traditionally biblical one, has been preserved among the Church's customs until the present day. **ASH WEDNESDAY** is to be observed as a day of penance in the whole Church, one of both abstinence and fasting. There are four Masses on Wednesday at which the ashes will be blessed and distributed.

Please note the Mass times. **OLA - 9.00am and 6.00pm**

SJV - 10.30am and 7.00pm.

WALK WITH ME BOOKLETS and CALENDARS: Please take away copies for yourselves and others.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: On Thursdays at both Churches starting this Thursday, 6th March **OLA – 6.00pm**
SJV – 7.00pm.

and on alternate Sundays at both Churches starting with SJV on the 1st Sunday of Lent at 6.00pm.

SLIDE SHOW AT SJV: Saturday 15th March at 2.00pm in the Church Hall. 'A Bird and Wildlife Experience' Slide Show from Philip Smith, Photographer and Naturalist. Lenten community outreach open to all with proceeds from ticket sales to Myton Hospice. Tickets **£5.00** to include tea and cake and on sale at both Churches **1st and 2nd March** and **8th and 9th March** or from Catherine Carr 02476 404225.

FOOD BANK: Thank you for your continued donations which are much appreciated. Items particularly needed at present are *bars of soap; toothpaste; shaving foam; long-life milk; washing up liquid; fruit juice and squash.*



A Jubilee Booklet on the theme of "Jubilee" is available in both churches to take home. Explore the Jubilee Themes, Poverty, Modern Slavery, Managing Debt, Forgiveness,

Rest & Worship by watching short videos <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/i-wanted-to-help-feed-the-world>.

SAFEGUARDING: The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese's policies and procedures at all times. Our Parish Representative at both Churches is Tricia Towner (see front of Newsletter) or contact the Diocesan Safeguarding Team on 0121 230 6240 or safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns.