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Holy Mass Year C. Psalter Week 1

Sat 5th 6:00pm Brenda Musial RIP

Sun 6th 9:15am Carmel Cauchi RIP - Maureen Barr 80th bday Ints

Children's Liturgy begins in the Hall before Mass

Refreshments in the Hall after 9:15am Mass

Sun 6th 11:00am Michele & Angela Rosa RIP

6th 6:00pm Reception of Michael Coffey

Weekdays Holy Rosary: 9:05am led by parishioners

Mon 7th11:00am Requiem for Michael Coffey

Tue 8th 9:30am Thanksgiving - Patrick Muhindi RIP

Wed 9th 9:30am David Vernau RIP (4th ann) - Shalid Collins RIP

9th 5:00pm Reception of Carmel Cauchi

Thu 10th 10:00am Requiem for Carmel Cauchi

8-9 Holy Hour

Fri 11th 9:30am Iris & Joe Sabec RIP

6:00pm Stations of the Cross

Sat 12th 9:30am Pro Populo

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:

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

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

For the recently departed: Michael Diskin (23rd Apr) & Theresa Devaney. (7th May)

Anniversaries week beginning: 6th April2025

Marjory Stanko, Gladys Hewins, Fr Pat Emmanuel, Carl Burgoine, Anne Doyle, Krystina Moore, Reginald Walkden, Michael Farrell, Lucia Gunn, Margaret Bailey, Kenneth Dunne, Frederick Higgins, Imelda Brailsford, Terence O'Brien, Richard Allen & Elizabeth Cartwright.

Clergy Anniversaries:

Rev Kevin Preston, Rev Eamon Clarke, Deacon Jack Foxall, Rev Kenneth Collins, Canon Peter Jones, Rev Joseph Barr & Rev Michael McManus.

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6th April 2025

"DO YOUR BEST TO WIN THE CONTEST"

Our parish has in the past few years, suffered heavy blows with the death of some of our prominent members. Henry Molloy kept our compound orderly and tidy, Hugh McAteer devoted his energy on the Sacristy. Jane Goodyear was a dedicated catechism teacher of children, Patrick Cocoran managed our parish Accounts, Stan Banks was an angelic Mass server, Michael Diskin helped with plumbing in the presbyteries, Thereza Devaney managed the parish piety stall for many years, while Camel Cauchi was an unassuming disciple, who used his talents with humility, to do so much without drawing attention to himself. Humanly speaking, it is a big loss to the community; however far from mourning our loss, we rejoice because in our parish and in our personal life, God set exemplary parishioners to imitate and to follow.

Christianity has never conceded that its mission is to associate with saints; on the contrary, it is at home with sinners than with people who proclaim their being virtuous. Like Jesus Christ who came *not to call the virtuous, but sinners,* (Luke 5:31-32) the mission of Christianity is directed to the conversion of the sinner. No matter how virtuous you might consider yourself to be, we are warned not to condemn or to pass judgement on others. We are no better than them because we are all sinful.

It is unbelievable that people are more captivated by sin instead of virtue! The men who accused the woman allegedly caught in adultery in today's gospel were of that kind. In our day-today experience, gruesome accidents, scandals and violent behaviour hits headlines much easier than acts of kindness. Memoirs of unhappy childhood top the best seller lists. Episodes of violence are particularly important to movie directors. The instinct to load personal guilt onto a scapegoat is as old as society. There is no doubt to say, that some people are comfortable to identify with hate figures, on whom they project their own negative energies. To prove this, all you need to do is to observe body tattoos worn by some individuals. People who point fingers at others, indirectly reveal how fascinated they are with the things they condemn in those they accuse. I'm not so sure of how many people among us would have spontaneously responded to the challenge set by Jesus "let him/her who has not sinned be the first to throw a stone at her" (John 8:7).

In the peaceful death of our parishioners, let us learn to be resilient in our fidelity to Christ and in the profession of our faith. The race we began on the day of our baptism was not meant to be an easy one. We need discipline, endurance, dedication, faith, and obedience to stay focused. We don't quit when it gets tough, let us be aware that obstacles will come. Let us encourage one another. Do not be afraid to let others to know more about your life, what you have gone through or what you are going through. When we do this, we soon discover sometimes, that what we considered as an obstacle was as a matter of fact an opportunity to achieve the hidden goal. Regardless of the obstacles, God has put before us the path to salvation. This is our contest let us do our best to win it.

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 safe-guarding@rcaob.org.uk.

FINANCE: Second Collection: 18th Apr Holy Places

Parish Finances week beginning 30/3/24

COLLECTION: £894.17 of which Gift Aid £276.20 **Many**FABRIC FUND: £574.02 of which Gift Aid: £221.26

Thanks!

MAR Tap & Go: £1828.50 of which Gift Aid: £794.50

MARCH STANDING ORDER: £2587.67

CAFOD Tea/coffee March: £124.53 To DONATE Sunday 22/23 March Mass attendance Scan QR Code



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

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Mon - Apr 28th Meditation 7:30pm

Tue - Apr 8/29th 4-5pm Holy Communion class

Tue - Apr 8th 7:30pm RCIA

Wed - Apr 30th Bible Class after morning Mass

Wed - Apr 30th Bible Study 7:30pm
Thu - Apr 18th Craft Group 12:30pm
Tue - Apr 15th Seniors after Mass

Wed - Apr 16th Coffee morning after Mass

MATTERS OF IMPORTANCE:

GIFT AID I cannot thank you enough for the financial support you give to the Church through Sunday collection. The new tax year has started, if you pay tax on your income, I encourage you to use Gift Aid Envelopes. You can also set up a Standing Order. Please contact the Office to know how it works and to collect your envelopes.

School Inspection (OFSTED) we are delighted to share the Ofsted Inspection report at Our Lady & St Joseph Catholic Academy:

The quality of education: *Outstanding* — Behavior and attitudes: *Outstanding*

Personal development: *Outstanding* ——-Leadership and management: *Outstanding*

Early years provision: *Outstanding*

Children and pupils are wrapped in care and kindness. They are safe, happy, confident and aspirational.' The Parish would like to congratulate all those involved in the life of the school. These judgements are testament to the amazing work of the dedicated staff and governors and the fantastic support the school receives from the Holy Spirit MAC.

Parish Penitential Service will take place on 7th April at 7:00pm. Please note that priests from the deanery will be here to assist us with individual confessions.

Easter Sunday Collection is your personal gift to your Parish priest. Thank you so much in advance for your generosity and for all other things you provide in the running of this parish.

Novena Of Divine Mercy will start on Good Friday immediately after the Passion of the Lord. Divine Mercy Sunday celebration will be held at St. Mary and Benedict Raglan Street starting at 2:00pm. More information on the Noticeboard.

HOLY WEEK & EASTER PROGRAM - 2025

Parish Penitential Service 7th April 2025 at 7:00pm.

Palm Sun 9:15am/11:00am Blessing of Palms followed by procession

Holy Thurs 17th 7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper Recommissioning of

Extra-ordinary Ministers. Silent Adoration until 10:00pm

Good Friday 2:30pm Stations of the Cross

3:00pm Celebration of the Passion of our Lord.

Holy Saturday 8:00pm Easter Vigil Mass

Sunday 9:15am Easter Sunday Mass

11:00am Easter Sunday Mass

Easter Monday 10:00am Mass. Other parishes

Sunday 27th 2:00pm Divine Mercy prayers at St. Mary's Church Coventry.

3:45pm Holy Mass

JUBILEE PROGRAM

Our Lady of the Angels Parish Jubilee Year Program: is out. I ask you to look at it and start to act on it. The next time we shall have another Jubilee in the Church will be in 2050, therefore it is important that we celebrate this event.

- 1. Jubilee for families: Sunday 23/03/25 2. Jubilee for medics and care workers 6/04/25
- 3. Vocations & May Procession 11/05/25 4. Pentecost (shared table) Sunday 8/06/25
- **5**. Youth Jubilee Sunday 6/07/25. **6**. Jubilee Fellowship group Sunday 3/08/25 **7**. Family Thanksgiving Day (Shared Table 31/08/25) **8**. Teachers and educators 1/09/25.
- 9. Choir, Lectors & Extraordinary Ministers of H. Communion Sunday 5/ 10/ 25. 10 Parish Volunteers get together High Tee 25/ 10/25 (Bless Pets at 2:30pm). 11. Parish Senior members Jubilee 2/11/25. 12 Christmas Fayre 30/11/ 25 from 10:30am—2:30pm