

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

## **NEWSLETTER**

**WELCOME to our Masses this weekend and a special welcome if you are 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:**

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

**BAPTISM dates at SJV and OLA Churches**

**SJV Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> June - OLA Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> June**

**SJV Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> July - OLA Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> July**

**SJV Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> September - OLA Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> September**

**SJV 12<sup>th</sup> October - OLA Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> October**

**SJV Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November - OLA Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> November**

**PARISH SECRETARIES**

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**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](http://www.st-john-vianney.org.uk)

OLA - [www.ola-cov.org.uk](http://www.ola-cov.org.uk)

ARCHDIOCESE - [www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk](http://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk)

COVENTRY DEANERY WEBSITE - [www.coventry-catholicdeanery.org.uk](http://www.coventry-catholicdeanery.org.uk)

**SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVE - SJV and OLA**

Tricia Towner - [sg.stjohnvianney.covty@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.stjohnvianney.covty@rcaob.org.uk)

**SAFEGUARDING:** Our Parishes operate in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese's policies and procedures at all times. Our Parishes' Representative is **Tricia Towner** or contact the Diocesan Safeguarding Team on 0121 230 6240 or [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concerns.



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

**Have an Excellent Week – Filled  
with Faith + Joy, Love + Peace. Do  
Take Great Care.**

**Fr Des**

**18/05/2025 23.45PM**

The Parishes of SJV and OLA are part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham (Registered Charity Number 234216).

**17th / 18th May 2025**

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (YEAR C)**

**FEAST**

(Mass Book p 265)

**MASSES**

**TIMES**

**INTENTIONS**

**SATURDAY 17<sup>TH</sup>**

**OLA**

**4.30PM**

**Brenda Lismore RIP / People of the Parish (OLA)**

**SJV**

**6.00PM**

**First Holy Communion Celebration Mass**

**Jim Hefferan RIP / People of the Parish (SJV)**

**SUNDAY 18<sup>TH</sup>**

**SJV**

**9.30AM**

**Vincent Bennett RIP / Patrick Griffin RIP / Intentions JV**

**OLA**

**11.00AM**

**Elaine and Graham Wynne RIP / Charles O'Malley RIP**

**Joan Marie Flood RIP**

**OLA**

**12.30PM**

**BAPTISM – VETRISON MARIYANIROJAN**

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup>**

**NO MASS**

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup>**

**SJV**

**9.00AM**

**Johnny Martin RIP / Carol Sullivan RIP**

**St Bernardine of  
Siena**

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup>**

**OLA**

**9.00AM**

**Intentions Claire Cassidy**

**May Procession**

**St Christopher  
Magallanes &  
Companions**

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**OLA**

**12.00PM**

**Intentions Anne Pegg**

**St Rita of Cascia**

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**SJV**

**9.00AM**

**Josie McElroy RIP**

**May Procession**

**SATURDAY 24<sup>TH</sup>**

**OLA**

**4.30PM**

**Intentions Anne Pegg / David and Daphne Sutcliffe RIP**

**SJV**

**6.00PM**

**Josie McElroy RIP / Sandra Mulvey RIP**

**SIXTH SUNDAY  
OF EASTER 25<sup>TH</sup>**

**SJV**

**9.30AM**

**Patrick Griffin RIP / Bridget Keogan RIP**

**OLA**

**11.00AM**

**Tom Crowley RIP / Josie McElroy RIP**

## MAY 2025 CANDLES – YOUR INTENTIONS

[Donations £5.00 - Thank you!]

### The Altar Sanctuary Lamp:

SJV

OLA **David and Daphne Sutcliffe RIP**

### Our Lady's Shrine:

SJV

OLA

### Sacred Heart Shrine:

SJV

OLA

Please remember in your prayers all who have died recently, especially Josie McElroy, Tommy Crowley, George Kell, 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 10th / 11th May

<u>SJV</u>	GIFT AID [Envelopes] [13]	£108.20	
	LOOSE	£215.86	<b>TOTAL £324.06</b>

<u>OLA</u>	GIFT AID [Envelopes] [17]	£172.00	
	LOOSE	£259.37	<b>TOTAL £431.37</b>

### Second Collection for Clergy Training Fund

<u>SJV</u>	GIFT AID [Envelopes] [13]	£41.15	
	LOOSE	£113.05	<b>TOTAL £154.20</b>

<u>OLA</u>	GIFT AID	£76.30	
	LOOSE	£195.18	<b>TOTAL £271.48</b>

Thank you for your continued financial support for both of our parishes.

### ST JOHN VIANNEY

<u>Sunday Tea/</u>	18 <sup>th</sup> May – Teresa and Verne
<u>Coffee Rota:</u>	25 <sup>th</sup> May – Kath Kennedy
	1 <sup>st</sup> June - Louise
	8 <sup>th</sup> June - Maureen
<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>Sunday Tea/Coffee:</u>	After Mass - Joan Clarke room.
<u>Craft/Computer Club:</u>	Wednesday 10.00am-12.30pm.
<u>Divine Mercy Novena:</u>	Thursdays at 11am.
<u>Lunch Club:</u>	Thursdays after 12noon Mass.
<u>Church Cleaning:</u>	2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Thursdays of each month. <b>Volunteers needed!</b>

**YOUNG ADULTS GROUP MEETINGS:** St Osburg's, 7pm to 9pm. Next meeting 17<sup>th</sup> June. To find out more please email Fr Benedict [fr.benedict.skipper@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:fr.benedict.skipper@rcaob.org.uk).

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

**MEMBERS OF THE LGBTQ+:** Monthly meeting to support and accompany 18+ LGBTQ+ Catholics, family members, and friends in a safe and respectful setting. **Next meeting 7:00pm date tba** at 13 Stoney Road, CV1 2NP. For details contact Deacon Leo 024 7641 9731 [dcn.leo.poole@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:dcn.leo.poole@rcaob.org.uk).

**MONTHLY SOLEMN EVENSONG and BENEDICTION AT ALL SOULS:** One Wednesday evening a month at All Souls, there is a service of Solemn Evensong and Benediction at 7pm, a beautiful liturgy of scripture, psalms, prayer and hymnody. Please join us to worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness. The service is followed by a Bring and Share supper in the parish room. **Dates: Wed 21 May, Wed 18 June, Wed 16 July, Wed 6 August.**

**CENTENARY CONCERT AT ALL SOULS:** To help celebrate the centenary of All Souls Church, built to commemorate those who died in the Great War, the Coventry Philharmonic Choir will perform Fauré's Requiem at All Souls on **Saturday 21st June at 5.30pm**. Tickets £8.00 available on the door and at [covphilsoc.org/concert](http://covphilsoc.org/concert). Please do come along. Refreshments will be served in the parish room afterwards.

**DAY FOR LIFE:** Every year the Church in England, Wales, Scotland, and Ireland marks the Day for Life, as a reminder of the need to respect and protect the inherent value and dignity of each life. This year it will be celebrated on **Sunday 15th June**, Trinity Sunday. Ahead of the Day for Life, we invite the faithful to join in prayer through the Novena for Life. This will run up to the Feast of the Visitation, between the 23rd and the 31st of May. Prayers for each day can be found on the Day for Life page of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales' website. On the website you can also find a special message from the bishops and more prayers and resources.

**There will also be a second collection on 15th June for the Day for Life Fund.** Every year the fund allocates over £200,000 in grants to organisations which promote respect for life in various ways. Donations can be also made online via the Catholic Bishops' Conference website, where you will find out more information about Day for Life.

### PARISH NEWS

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:** Let us remember in our prayers the children of *St John Vianney* who celebrated their First Holy Communion last Saturday and for the children of *Our Lady of the Assumption* who celebrated this sacrament this weekend. Please pray for them and their families.

**POP-UP SPA at SJV:** If you missed this event last time, now's your chance to indulge yourself. **Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> June 1pm-4pm** – keep the date free – more details to follow.

*MOTHER TERESA speaking of  
her work would say -*

*"It's only a drop in the ocean – but  
the ocean would not be the same  
without the drop!"*