

### **MASSES— 18th to 25th May 2025**

Sun	18	9.30am	People of the parish
		11.30am	People of the parish
Mon	19	12.00noon	Liam Edwards (RIP), Vera Dunnion (Spl int)
Tues	20	9.30am	Eileen Ward ((RIP)
Wed	21	9.30am	Fr. Aloysius, Bukenya, Phil Kenney (B'day)
			Mathew Tanner (B'day remembrance)
Thurs	22	9.30am	Vera Dunnion (Spl int)
Fri	23	9.30am	Ashika Thomas (Spl int)
Sat	24	9.30am	Eileen Monaghan (RIP)
Sun	25	9.30am	People of the parish
		11.30am	People of the parish

#### **Lectors**

##### **18/05/2025**

9.30am Noami, Anthonia O.  
11.30am Ogo, Karen

##### **25/05/2025**

9.30am Emmanuella, Leslie  
11.30am Chidma, Ann Marie

#### **Eucharistic Ministers**

##### **18/05/2025**

Betty O.  
Loveness, Lilian

##### **25/05/2025**

Sophie  
Florence K.,

#### **LET US PRAY TO THE LORD**

**The sick of the Parish:** Norah Griffith, Gerard Griffith, Ann Crowley, Christopher Browne, Bridie McAndrew, Teresa McAffer, Chinasa Okosi, John Crowford, Mr. Tran, Owen Darroch, Lucia Drabik, Mick Hogan.

**Anniversaries during the week:** Patrick Ward, Michael Stapleton, Bridget Theresa Ludid, William Morrissey, Michael McDermott, Mary Devlin, Edmond Patrick Flynn, James Anthony Domican, James Mullarkey, Agnes Ethna Tolan, Una Kelly, Tottie McHugh, Thomas Duiggnan.

**Clergy Anniversaries:** Canon Wilfred Smith, Rev. Joseph Griffin, Rev. Ernest Cook, Rev. William Lyons, Mgr. John Humphreys, Rev. Anthonny Davies, Rev. Thomas Foynes.

**Trails of Life:** Life doesn't test us to break us—it invites us to grow. Every trial conceals a turning point, wrapped in pain. Storms don't last forever, but they shape us forever. Jesus never promised ease, but He promised His presence. His cross didn't eliminate suffering; it redeemed it. Even when we're crushed, we are carried—never alone.



**Ss. Mary & Benedict RC Church, Coventry**



**The Parish is in the Care of the Apostles of Jesus Missionaries**

### **Parish Newsletter— Fifth Sunday of Easter - 18th to 25th May 2025**

#### **PUNCTUALITY AND A NEW COMMANDMENT**

The Lord means many things when he says, '*A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another*' (John13:34-35). There are as many ways of living this commandment in our situations at home, in the workplace and in this Church. One clear way to observe this commandment is by giving the respect we owe one another by arriving early in the Church and settling down before the Holy Mass starts!! It may require some sacrifice on your part, but that is necessary!!

#### **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> June is a special day for those children who are preparing to receive their first Holy Communion. Let us encourage them to explore the depth of the Sacrament of the Lord's real presence in the Sacrament of the Eucharist. As a Sacrament of initiation, it marks a new beginning in their lives - it means that they are old enough to sustain their unique relationship with the Lord in prayer, preparation and thanksgiving, and by living a holy life, receiving Jesus many times thereafter. I am grateful to those who are preparing them: their parents at home, Mrs MacDonald, the teachers in the school and our sisters and catechists in the parish.

#### **EXAMINATIONS SEASON IS ON**

This is a busy season for our young people - some altar servers, and choir members in the primary and secondary schools - as they sit their Statutory Assessment Tests, GCSEs, and Advanced Level Qualifications. A message to our students: Those examinations mark an important step in your academic progress as you prepare for admissions to colleges and universities. They are the gateways to your professional and vocational careers. We wish you success in those examinations. As a community we are interested in what you are doing.

#### **FATHER REGINALD A. TARIMO, AJ SILVER JUBILEE**

As a parish community, we will join Fr. Reginald to thank God for the gift of the sacred priesthood and his ministry in the past 25 years. For this I ask that you diarise Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> June, starting with Holy Mass at 11.30am, and then celebrating throughout the rest of the day. Preparations have started and we need everyone's support.

*Fr. Aloysius*

**RCIA On-Going Formation:** First meeting to take place on Thursday, 22nd May, 7pm— 8pm in the Parish Hall. Anyone interested in current discussions about the Catholic faith is welcome.