

Holy Mass Year C. Psalter Week 1

Sat 28th 6:00pm Pro Populo

Sun 29th 9:15am

Children's Liturgy begins in the Hall before Mass

Refreshments in the Hall after 9:15am Mass

Sun 29th 11:00am Eliana Iredia Special Intentions

**Weekdays Holy Rosary: 9:05am led by parishioners**

Mon 30th 9:30am John Burns & Family Intentions

Tue 1st 9:30am Fr Anselm Stark RIP

Wed 2nd 9:30am Ouseph Vallanigil (1st ann)

Thu 3rd 9:30am Theresa Devaney RIP *St Thomas*

Fri 4th 9:30am

Sat 5th 9:30am Theresa Devaney RIP (bday ann)

**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 Berkmore, Liz Lloyd, Mary Furlong, Jim Jarvis, Martin Reed, Alice Guiney, Abi Glenn, Mick Broadaway, Carol Wright, Caelan Shannon, John Burns, Mary Kelly, Louise Barrass and Deacon Brian Cox.

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

*For the recently departed:*

*Anniversaries week beginning : 29th June 2025*

Thomas Long, Jean McCaffey, Ellen Miller, James Burns, Patrick Healey, James McGee, Darren Condon, Mary Barnes, Derek Kenny, Michael Burdett, Margaret Grant, Peter Fall, Lester Banks, John Tarrant, Ronald Tully, Peter Wieszak & Patricia Cramp.

*Clergy Anniversaries:*

Rev John Daley, Rev William O'Malley, Mgr Patrick Corrigan, Canon Francis Dudley & Rev Michael Cullinan.

## **Our Lady of the Angels Catholic Church**

The Presbytery, Coton Road, Nuneaton CV11 5UA

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**29th June 2025**

### **WE LOOKED AT SUCH MEN WITH GREAT ADMIRATION**

Tuesday 24th June 2025 was a Solemnity of the birth of St. John the Baptist. Holy Mass was presided over by our new missionary parish assistant Fr. Pius Mmanda assisted by Fr. John O'Brien and Fr. Jimmy. As Fr. Pius led us in worship, I remembered the work of European Missionaries in Africa. I remembered that some years ago, Fr. John went to Africa as a missionary to proclaim Jesus Christ to the people. He worked in Kenya among the Masai people; an ethnic group bordering the Chagga people of Tanzania. Fr. Pius belongs to the Chagga people. There is great possibility that the preaching of Fr. John spilled over to them.

When Fr. John was intentionally proclaiming Christ to the Masai people, Fr. Pius was a three year old boy moving about in the church, and making noise which as you know, sometimes irritates worshippers. Fr. John was not bothered by the noise children made. They looked at the man standing at the altar and admired seeing him act with such devotion, but they could not go further. The walking about of children in church, their singing out of tune, and their talking to persons or things which did not exist was not intended to distract worshipers but a learning process. It was from an environment of familiarity that our vocation started. All of us know that we never fall in love with strangers and that intimacy never exists between estranged persons. We should not hesitate to bring children to Church or to let them walk about for fear they might make noise. They do so to learn.

Our missionary vocation started to grow in us by looking at people like Fr. John in an African setting. As children we asked ourselves; *'where does this man come from, did he leave his family to come to preach to us, does he miss his family, is he not making real sacrifice to stay among us, can I also do what he has done by going and becoming a missionary'?* These were the questions that disturbed our hearts as we grew up. Our parents challenged us to ponder on them from time to time.

Fr. Pius, celebrating Mass in the presence of a veteran priest Fr. John, who preached the gospel not far from his area, is a testimony that missionaries who go to proclaim the gospel are not dumb but true proclaimers of Jesus by word and example. We were encouraged by our families and teachers to look at the missionaries, priests and nuns, with great admiration. As the Apostles of Jesus are working in Coventry/Nuneaton deanery, are you helping your children to look at them with a sense of admiration for the work and sacrifices they have made or you are busy criticising them!

On Tuesday, I had a meeting with the Vicar General of our dioceses Canon Jonathan Veasay and I told him that the Apostles of Jesus missionaries are not in the diocese as a permanent solution to the vocation crisis. They are here to support the people of God in keeping the dimming flame alive; to navigate the turbulent times until the Lord will visit the land with vocations from your families. In the mean time, I appeal to you for support for the Apostles of Jesus, with your prayers, cooperation and financial sacrifices to assist them in the training of missionaries. You can do this by writing a cheque to "*Apostles of Jesus Missionaries Support UK*" or by giving your donation at the cash machine at the back of the church. Above all, train your entire family to be part of the solution to the problems facing the church by becoming missionaries yourselves without leaving your homes.

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 Priests: Fr Jimmy Lutwama AJ. [fr.jimmy.lutwama@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:fr.jimmy.lutwama@rcaob.org.uk)  
And Fr Pius Mmanda

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](mailto: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](mailto:safe-guarding@rcaob.org.uk).

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:**

**FINANCE: Second Collection: 29th June Peter's Pence**

Parish Finances week beginning 22/6/24

COLLECTION: £779.84 of which Gift Aid £281.70

FABRIC FUND: £368.27 of which Gift Aid: £215.40

JUNE Tap & Go: £596.00 of which Gift Aid: £495.00

JUNE STANDING ORDER: £2163.67

Sunday 21/22nd June Mass attendance 608

To DONATE

Scan QR Code

*Many*

*Thanks!*



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

**JUNE**

Mon - 30th

Meditation 7:30pm

Wed - 25th

Bible Class after morning Mass

Wed - 25th

The Bible Timeline 7:00pm

**JULY**

Mon - 7/14th

Meditation 7:30pm

Tue - 8th

Seniors after Mass

Wed - 16th

Coffee morning after Mass

**MATTERS OF IMPORTANCE:**

**St. Thomas More Sixth Form School** held their academic year end term Mass on Thursday 26th June. Five priests concelebrated the Holy Mass. I wish to commend the students for the high discipline they showed which was greatly appreciated by visiting priests and all members of staff. I wish to say that as a parish, we open up a new chapter in the working relationship between our catholic schools and the parish. The children are our future, we should neither ignore them nor dismiss their concerns.

**The Nuneaton Catholic Disability Fellowship** are holding a bingo night on Friday 11th July, 7pm start. Bring the family for an evening of fun. Light refreshments provided. For further information contact Ken Haywood email [trepsal@hotmail.com](mailto:trepsal@hotmail.com)

**Rubbish in Church compound/grounds** is becoming so common, it is normally left by parents picking up or dropping children off to school, or by some people who walk about through the compound. I ask you all to keep our compound clean and to encourage the children to pick up litter when they drop it.

**Could you be a Foundation Governor or Director?** The Archdiocese of Birmingham has 236 Catholic schools and 16 Multi-Academy Companies, all in need of Foundation Governors and Directors. The diocese is seeking practising Catholics to help shape the future of Catholic education by supporting and challenging school leaders and upholding the Archbishop's vision. Opportunities are available across the Archdiocese, all skills and backgrounds are welcome.

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)** is a program which prepares non baptised adults or adults baptised in other churches to join the Catholic Church and will start in September. If any one would like to be baptised or to be received into full communion with the Catholic Church, please talk to the priests, the deacons or one of the wardens.

**Keyboard Player needed:** Christian worship becomes meaningful and live when it is accompanied by good music. I'm appealing to you if there is someone who can play the keyboard or any musical instrument that can accompany our singing at Mass to come and talk to me please.

**Used eye glasses:** Do you have eye glasses which you no longer use, it is time to give them away. Eye glasses can offer sight to many people round the world who would go blind if they did not have them. There will be a box at the piety desk where you can deposit them, then we shall donate them to communities in the developing countries to use them. Thank you.

**Voluntary Church Services:** there are so many ways through which you can support to the welfare of the parish. Please, find some group to join so that you have a ministry that puts your faith into action. There is something for everyone to do. Please speak to the Parish Priest.

**Mount St Bernard Abbey, Coalville** "June 24, 2025: "Announcing the death of our dearly beloved Fr Anselm Stark who died 3pm today, the Hour of Mercy." In 1989 Fr Anselm led the first Divine Mercy Sunday in our parish; a friend to many since. May he rest in peace along with Blessed Cyprian Tansi whom he worked closely with in the Abbey.

**Rosemary Owen** our parishioner lost several members of her family in Kenya; an uncle David, a cousin Maina and her son Ian. Please keep her in your prayers.

**Second Collection:** Today is for Peter's Pence. Remember you can also donate via the card machines at the back of church by the piety stall.