

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER

In Partnership with St Thomas More Parish & Warwick Univ Catholic Chaplaincy

Sunday 6th June 2021: The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

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Parish Website www.sjtwcoventry.org.uk Partner Parish Website www.stmcov.org

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SUNDAY 6TH JUNE: THE SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI)	10.45am Public Mass 12.30pm University Mass in SJW church (for University AND Parishioners) (No 5pm Mass for the time being)	<i>Eileen Connolly</i> <i>The People of India</i>
Monday 7 th June	10am Live Stream Mass at SJW	<i>Margaret Dowling & Family</i>
Tuesday 8 th June	~	~
Wednesday 9 th June: St Columba	10am Live stream Mass at SJW	<i>Gerry Meehan</i>
Thursday 10 th June	10am Live stream Mass at SJW	<i>The Holy Souls</i>
Friday 11 th June: The Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus	6.30pm Live stream Mass at SJW	<i>Sam Harris & Family</i> <i>Jennifer Shaw</i>
Saturday 12 th June: The Immaculate Heart of Mary	10am Live stream Mass at SJW	<i>Private Intention</i>
SUNDAY 13TH JUNE: ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	10.45am Public Mass 12.30pm University Mass in SJW church (for University AND Parishioners) (No 5pm Mass for the time being)	<i>Carmel Silver</i> <i>The People of India</i>

JUNE, MONTH OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS It is all love and mercy!

PLEASE BOOK FOR MASS (43 seats at both 1045 & 1230 Masses) on the parish website OR in writing

OR by email stjoseph.covty@rcaob.org.uk OR phone 02476 419 111 (answering machine always on)

***** PLEASE BOOK BY 5PM ON SATURDAY: WE MAY MISS LATER BOOKINGS! *****

WE ARE LIVE ON THE INTERNET - FOLLOW MASS ONLINE: link below and on the website

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=APw4-ldVAmc&feature=youtu.be>

Please pray for the sick: including, George Morton, Josie Dekkers, Kevon Perry, Bridget Cherry, Peter Kennedy, Danny & Mary Harrington, Peter Nottingham, Edith Whatling and Margaret Dunne.

Please pray for the departed: Eileen Connolly, Fr John Kearns CP, Prince Philip, Michael O'Shaughnessy, Anne Frances Power, Mason Scott, John Simcox, Fr Oliver Kemp, Albert Busby, Leo McKeown, and all who have recently died, Bernadette Feehan, Jennifer Shaw, Theresa Beresford, Ellen Hull, Lacy Kyle, Jim Cook, John Simcox and for all whose anniversaries occur about this time: Bridgid Mahone, Peter Connolly, John Forshev, Anne Donohoe, William Dinan, Patrick Stanford, Winefred Dexter, Dot O'Connell, Joseph Scott, Christine Price, Fr Peter Gallagher, Fr Denis Shiel CO, Fr John Lane, Mgr Bernard Robinson, Fr William Quinn, Fr Gerry McArdle, Fr Cyril Adams, Deacon Peter Phelan. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.

Prayer as you watch a Livestream Mass:

MY JESUS, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen

COVID-19: KEEP MORE THAN 1 METRE APART

MORE VOLUNTEERS? CAN YOU HELP?

THANK YOU to all those who have come forward to volunteer steward and clean at Masses. **At the moment, however, weekday Masses and 5pm Sunday Parish Mass are impossible until more volunteers have come forward.** If you can volunteer, either now or in the future, please speak to one of the clergy. **More volunteers mean more events.** We look forward to announcements later this month that may well relax the need for volunteers

UNIVERSITY CHAPLAINCY MASS IS AT ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH at 1230. Although for students, **anyone is welcome to attend which will help if 1045 remains full. A warm welcome to all students and staff!**

WHO'S WHO

AMONG THE PARISH CLERGY..?

Fr Stephen - the tall one, with combed back hair and round glasses – is parish priest here **and** parish priest of St Thomas More

Fr Peter – not so tall, with a brummie accent and proud of it – is assistant priest here **and** assistant Catholic chaplain at the University

Deacon David – white hair and sounding like he comes from Surrey (which he does) – is the **Catholic Chaplain to Warwick University and the parish deacon here.**

Do say hello and introduce yourselves.

Don't hesitate to be in contact if we can help.

FR STEPHEN WRITES: This Sunday is the great feast of Corpus Christi, celebrated in thanksgiving for the gift of Christ's presence in the Blessed Sacrament. The Blessed Sacrament, Christ come among us at the offering of Mass, is a gift we may too easily take for granted. Yet It is the physical presence of Jesus, true God and true man, the unseen Saviour who waits for us in all the tabernacles of the world, who was lifted up on the Cross for our salvation and is lifted up at every Mass for our adoration. Think how often the Mass provides a moment for adoration – immediately after the consecration of the Body and Blood; at 'Behold the Lamb of God...'; at the time of Communion when held before you the priest says, 'The Body of Christ'. Let us seize all these precious moments that Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament may seize us with a desire to worship Him at the altar and serve Him in the needs of our neighbour. As the Church teaches "In this divine sacrifice which takes place at Mass, the same Christ is present and is immolated in an unbloody manner, Who once on the altar of the Cross offered Himself in a bloody manner...For the victim is one and the same, now offering Himself through the ministry of His priests, Who then offered Himself on the Cross; only the manner of offering is different."

FR PETER REFLECTS on *Let us Dream*: Pope Francis suggests that we use our imagination in prayer, as St Ignatius Loyola recommends, when he says: "When we face choices and contradictions, asking what God's will is opens us to unexpected possibilities. I describe these new possibilities as "overflow," because they often burst the banks of our thinking. Overflow happens when we humbly set before God the challenges we face and ask for help. We call this "discernment of spirits," because it involves learning what is the will of God and what is seeking to frustrate His will. To enter into discernment is to resist the urge to seek the apparent relief of an immediate decision, and instead be willing to hold different options before the Lord, waiting on that overflow. You consider reasons for and against, knowing Jesus is with you and for you. You feel inside yourself the gentle pull of the Spirit, and its opposite. And over time, in prayer and patience, in dialogue with others, you reach a solution, which is not a compromise but something else altogether." (p.21).

A ZOOM DISCUSSION GROUP on *Let Us Dream* led by Fr Peter and Fr Stephen, to which all from STM and SJW are invited, will be held on Thursdays 17, 24 June and 1 July at 7pm for about 45 minutes. Zoom details to follow.

COMMUNION FOR THE HOUSEBOUND As the Covid restrictions about going into private homes ease, it is possible to offer Communion once more to the housebound who ordinarily received it. If you are housebound and feel that you are ready and it is safe for you to receive Communion at home again, please contact one of the priests. You may or may not feel the time is right: that is entirely up to you.

PUBLIC MASSES IN THE PARTNERED PARISHES
Sunday Vigil Mass at STM: 5.00pm Saturday
Sunday Masses: 9.00am at STM & 10.45am at SJW
1230 University Chaplaincy Mass at SJW
PLEASE REMEMBER that parishioners and students alike are very welcome at either 1045 or 1230 Masses. There are seats available at 1230: don't feel you have to stand outside at 1045, try 1230.
Friday Mass: 9.00am at STM followed by Exposition

No 5.30pm Sunday Mass at SJW. **It needs more volunteers... Can YOU help?** Please tell one of the clergy if so. We hope that pandemic regulations may ease in a few weeks, making volunteering less necessary. We shall see. Please make use of live streams.

NEXT WEEKEND We will hear Archbishop Bernard's Pastoral Letter, introducing the Archdiocese's Vision: **Unfolding God's Plan.** Please look out for the prayer cards in church, and feel free to share copies with those who are unable to come to Mass. There will be much to consider as this and every parish plans not only for the world after Covid, but also an archdiocese planning its best use of limited resources in the service of the Gospel.

COVENTRY CITY OF CULTURE The delayed start to the year of events begins this weekend.

READING AT MASS Henry Whitney is now kindly organising the return of readers at Mass. Please speak to him if you would be happy to read and he will explain the simple steps we still need to take to follow Covid rules.

GIVING ENVELOPES & STANDING ORDERS Have you considered giving by standing order, direct from your bank account to the parish's? If you are an **income tax payer**, sign up for Gift Aid which adds 25% to your giving at no cost to you. Please see June Palmer or contact the parish. You can also set up a regular or single donation on the diocesan website: (www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk) click on Donate (top right) and follow the instructions. When asked which church you are donating to, select 'Coventry: Canley'. **Thank you for your giving, especially in these times.**

KNOW ANYONE STRUGGLING TO AFFORD FOOD? Find out how to **get help** from a foodbank and how to **give help** by visiting coventry.foodbank.org.uk

BAPTISMS AND WEDDINGS: up to **30** people.

FUNERALS: under the restrictions on all public Masses, **no more than 30 people**, stewards and cleaners needed.

CONFESSION: May be celebrated outdoors in a public space maintaining social distancing. Please ask the priests.

PRAYER FOR THE YEAR OF ST JOSEPH:

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION: £70 Thank you

WHERE FR PETER GOES, FR STEPHEN

FOLLOWS... 'Time's winged chariot' brings another birthday ending in a '0' for a member of the parish clergy...

ALWAYS REMEMBER THE BASIC COVID RULES
HANDS – sanitise, **FACE** – wear a face covering over mouth *and* nose, **SPACE** – stay **AT LEAST 1 metre (or 3 feet)** away from people not in your household. *Seats must always be 1.5 metres from the aisle and the point of Communion and anyone else not in your household.*

OUR LADY'S CANDLE IS LIT FOR: Carmel Silver

JUNE: MONTH OF THE SACRED HEART
Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us!

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