

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER

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

Sunday 12th September 2021: 24th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME EDUCATION DAY

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Hall Manager: The hall is currently shut due to the pandemic regulations, except for tea and coffee after 1045am Mass.

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

Deanery: www.coventry-catholicdeanery.org.uk Archdiocese www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk

SUNDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER: 24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: EDUCATION SUNDAY	10.45am Public Mass No 12.30pm University Mass until 26 Sept, when it will return to the chaplaincy building	Kate Aubrey, Birthday
Monday 13 th September: St John Chrysostom	~	~
Tuesday 14 th September: Exaltation of the Holy Cross	10am Public Mass at SJW	Anna & Stephen Toman (B'Day)
Wednesday 15 th September: Our Lady of Sorrows	10am Public Mass at SJW	People of the Parish
Thursday 16 th September: Sts Cornelius and Cyprian	10am Public Mass at SJW	The People of the Parish
Friday 17 th September	10am Public Mass at SJW	People of the Parish
Saturday 18 th September	10am Public Mass at SJW	John & Kath Conley
SUNDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER: 25TH SUNDAY: HOME MISSION DAY	10.45am Public Mass No 12.30pm University Mass until 26 Sept	Charles Connolly (21 st Anniv)

PLEASE BOOK FOR MASS (65 seat capacity) on the parish website OR in writing OR by email

stjoseph.covty@rcaob.org.uk OR phone 02476 419 111 (answering machine always on) We are not full but are getting there (some weeks only five spare seats)– if you book we can tell you if we've run out of seats!

***** 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, Margaret Dunne, and Anna Mallar.

Please pray for the departed: Michael Quinn, Eileen Connolly, Michael O'Shaughnessy Fr Oliver Kemp, Albert Busby, Leo McKeown, Bernadette Feehan, Jennifer Shaw, Theresa Beresford, Ellen Hull, Lacy Kyle, Jim Cook, John Simcox, Valerie Hartley, Ryan O'Grady and all who have recently died, Fr John Burns, Fr Ben-Ove Jakobsson CHS, and for all whose anniversaries occur about this time: Louis Owens, Jenny Dunne, Rose Connor, John Bergin, Vincent Donnelly, Michael Morrissey, Thomas Lilley, Emily Pratt, Esther Healey, Charles Gallagher, Sean O'Doherty, Rev Richard Dinnis, Rev Patrick Meager, Archbishop George Patrick Dwyer, Rev William Oddie, Canon Peter McKenna, Rev Alan Holtham, Rev Peter Lees. 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

END OF COVID RESTRICTIONS - NOT QUITE!

The Bishops have asked that we continue to maintain safe practices in church. We renew our thanks to our cleaners and stewards **VENTILATION – windows and doors will remain open, HANDS – sanitise, FACE – wear a face covering over mouth and nose, SPACE – stay a metre (or 3 feet) away from people not in your household**

ALL MASSES ARE NOW PUBLIC Please come and celebrate Mass in person if you are able and feel safe being out and about at indoor events. **PLEASE BOOK FOR 1045 SUNDAY – phone, email, note through the door or on the website. We are not full but can give you warning if we are IF you book.** The weekday Masses, with their small congregations, are obviously the safest way to come back to Mass. You may also see how the church is kept safe. If you have not been back yet, now's the time.

OUR LADY'S CANDLE IS LIT FOR: Chloe Holden
LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION: £357 Thank you

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. He is based at 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. Fr Peter is at SJW nearly every day

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.

HOUSEBOUND COMMUNION

Please contact the clergy by phone, letter or email and one of us will arrange to come.

In the first instance, one of the clergy will come to see you

+ **SUNDAY MASSES ACROSS THE PARISHES** +
Vigil Mass for Sunday: Sat 5.00pm at STM no need to book, spaces available

Mass 9am at STM: no need to book, spaces available

Mass 10.45am at SJW: *please book, limited spaces*
(The Chaplaincy Mass returns to campus on 23 September)

-- THANK YOU! --

We celebrated in style and with rejoicing Our Lady's Birthday and the 40th Anniversary of the church building last Wednesday. It was a truly happy occasion that spilled over from the Mass and into the social gathering afterwards.

Thank you to everyone who attended and made it so joyful, and especially to those who stewarded, cleaned, served refreshments, arranged flowers, supervised parking and in any way worked hard for this event. **Thank you all!**

FR STEPHEN WRITES: You will see on this sheet a note of thanks from the clergy for the joyful parish event that was our celebration last Wednesday of Our Lady's birthday and the fortieth anniversary of the church building. It was lovely! Many people said so, and one of them was Fr Harry – it was great to have him back. It was of course a much-needed touch of normality. The evening gave us all a taste of joy and community that we look forward to more of, as time progresses, and the pandemic guidelines are eased.

But we shall never be normal until more people are returning to Mass. If you are physically fit and well, and back at the supermarket, café or any indoor event what is it that keeps you away from the indoor event that is Mass at St Joseph's? Is there something we can do to help you return? The church is very well ventilated, masks are worn, sanitiser used, seats spaced, the chairs are cleaned, and parishioners respect the need to be careful. Do let us know if we are missing something. We would be very glad to be working on solving the happy problem of how to accommodate an increasing congregation! **God bless you**

FR PETER REFLECTS: Archbishop Bernard's diocesan vision second priority is FORMATION. On Education Sunday the words of St John Paul II are very apt: The task of the teacher and the school is indeed a sacred trust conveyed to them by parents and families... To you is given to create the future and give it direction by offering to your students a set of values with which to assess their newly discovered knowledge. Few challenges are more exciting and rewarding than the instruction and guidance of young people, and few more difficult... No one else will ever be where you are. No one else will ever have the opportunity you have to accompany students in their search for truth, to foster in them a thirst for justice, and an appreciation of the goodness of God, to lead them patiently and lovingly in the journey of faith. Young people are hungry today for truth and justice because they are hungry for God. To respond to the hunger is the highest calling of the Christian educator. In partnership with the parents who bear the primary responsibility for the education of their children, the teacher is called upon to reflect, in faithful and

discerning fashion, God's presence in the world. (Address to Catholic Educators, Canada, 12 September 1984).

TODAY IS EDUCATION SUNDAY Please pray for all involved in Catholic education.

WARWICK UNIV CATHOLIC CHAPLAINCY MASS will resume in the Chaplaincy Centre (*not* in St Joseph's Church) on Sunday 26 September at 1230pm.

DIOCESAN ONLINE EVENTS

Life in the Spirit and **Climate Action Meeting**. Details on the diocesan web site

CAFOD FAST DAY is on 1 October with the collection at Sunday Mass on 3 Oct. The theme this year is helping those whose livelihoods and homes are threatened by climate change.

RESTORING THE SUNDAY OBLIGATION The Bishops of England and Wales are considering bringing back the obligation to be at Sunday Mass on Advent Sunday. They are keen that we do not lose sight of the gift of Sunday, the Lord's Day and ours. See

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/sunday-it-is-our-day/>

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, select 'Coventry: Canley'.

Thank you for your giving, especially in these times.

CONFESSION: May be celebrated outdoors in a public space maintaining social distancing. This is easily done after Mass or beforehand if you ask in good time. See the priests.

THE PARISH HALL This is very gradually being brought back into use. **First, by the parish for tea and coffee** after the 1045 Mass. **It is not yet open for general bookings.**

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

CARRIERS OF HOPE are supporting the needs of refugees in Coventry—including from Afghanistan. Needs are constantly changing so please visit their website <https://carriersofhope.org.uk/> to see the latest needs.

CAFOD is responding to significant crises across the world this week. We are working with local Church organisations in **Haiti** to deliver emergency aid to people affected by the catastrophic earthquake and tropical storm. In the tragic situation in **Afghanistan**, we are working to ensure the safety of our local partners and their communities. We are supporting local aid workers to deliver urgent food and water supplies to hundreds of thousands of people facing extreme hunger in **Tigray in Ethiopia, South Sudan** and north-east **Nigeria**. You can read more about how we can all express solidarity with our sisters and brothers affected by these emergencies on the CAFOD website: <https://cafod.org.uk/News/Emergencies-news>. Your compassion, generosity and prayers have helped us to stand together and enable us to continue to support communities in these difficult times. **Thank you.**