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St John Fisher Catholic Church Coventry

SAFEGUARDING OFFICER- *The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and National and Archdiocese's policies and procedures at all times. Our parish Safeguarding Representative is Mrs Rebecca Fawcett. She can be contacted at sg.stjohnfisher.covty@rcaob.org.uk. Alternatively, the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 01212306240 or at safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.*

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Websites: *PARISH WEBSITE – <https://sjfcov.org>
ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM – www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk
COVENTRY DEANERY WEBSITE – www.coventry-catholicdeanery.org.uk*

For any enquiry: drop-in session on Tuesdays 3.30-5.30pm (to speak with Father about any issue.)

Baptisms: Second and Fourth Sundays at 11.30am Mass. Please pick up a form after any Mass.

Eucharistic Adoration: on Fridays at 5.30pm & Saturdays at 9am.

Rosary: every Tuesday–Thursday at 8.40am.

Confession: Fri 6pm, Sat 9-9.40am & 6pm, Sun 9am and on request.

For PARISH HALL HIRING, contact: MRS CATHY O'TOOLE – 07506 358587 (Mon–Fri, 10am-5pm)

Today we celebrate the Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

31st Jan/1st Feb 2026, Yr A.

Sunday readings: *New Sunday Missal p.88 (Blue), p.702 (Red)
Please see the Missalette for readings or go to <http://universalis.com/>*

Our Holy Father Pope Leo's Intention for February:

For children with incurable diseases – Let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases and their families receive the necessary medical care and support, never losing strength and hope.

PARISH MASS	SCHEDULE	TIME	INTENTIONS
SAT	31	6.30 PM	Holy Mass - Emerciana Antao RIP; Dec'd of Cantillon & O'Sullivan family; Rose Trill RIP
SUN	01 FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.30 AM 11.30 AM	Holy Mass - Susie Cook & family; Mary O'Reilly RIP Holy Mass –Anegala Peyton RIP
MON	02 FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD	6.30 PM	Holy Mass – Anne & Albert Wells; Dan & Maureen McInerney & family
TUE	03 ST BLAISE	9.15 AM	Holy Mass at St Gregory's - Margaret Smith & family; Paddy & Carmel McInerney & family
WED	04	9.15 AM 5.30 PM	Holy Mass – SJF School Mass; Audrey Facho RIP Reception of William (Bill) Phimister
THU	05 ST AGATHA	11.00 AM 6.30 PM 7.00 PM	Holy Mass – Requiem Mass of William (Bill) Phimister <i>Padre Pio Prayer & Novena (with Adoration from 6pm)</i> Holy Mass – Pro Populo
FRI	06 ST PAUL MIKI & COMPANIONS	5.30 PM 6.30 PM	<i>Eucharistic Adoration</i> Holy Mass – Amada Banan Thanksgiving, Aurora Fundan Thanksgiving
SAT	07 - OUR LADY ON SATURDAY	3.00 PM 6.30 PM	Holy Mass – Mass for the Sick Holy Mass – Patricia Wood RIP; Pascaol Pinto RIP; James Higgins RIP
SUN	08 FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.30 AM 11.30 AM	Holy Mass – Pat Smith Sp Int; Brid Cryan Int; Holy Souls Holy Mass – James O'Donnell RIP; John Dorrington RIP

- Today's Retiring Collection: -
- Next Sunday's Retiring Collection: -

8-DAY CANDLES (£4)

To request a lamp, please fill in an envelope at the back of church, thank you!

SHRINE	THIS WEEK	NEXT WEEK
<i>Our Lady's</i>	Pat Smith Sp Int	Mary O'Reilly RIP
<i>Sacred Heart</i>	Mary O'Reilly RIP	Gerardine Sp Int
<i>St Joseph's</i>	-	Gerardine Sp Int
<i>St Anthony's</i>	-	Marian McCann RIP

SJF Parish Collection

11 Jan'25	18th Jan'25	25th Jan'25
GAD £ 598.00	GAD £312.00	GAD £345.00
Loose £ 342.40	Loose £340.00	Loose £248.65
Candles £45.00	Pax Christi £163.00	Candles £100.00
St Anthony £174.00	Candles £81.00	St Anthony £55.00
Donations £50.00	Hall Hire £170.00	Hall Hire £310.00
Hall hire £40	100 club £110.00	Mission Box £10.10
Padre Pio £73.50	Breakfast £80.00	Tea/Coffee £24.50
Tea/ Coffee £15.00	Padre Pio £45.00	
100 Club £ 20.00	Tea/coffee £20.40	

Prayers are requested for those who are sick at this moment – Elaine Watkins, Arthura Bernadette Watkins, Derek Coyle, Kristy Ward, Cathy O’Toole, Daryl Talbot, Robert Freeman, Kathleen Freeman, John McCann, Aneta Luc-Kocur, Cathy Grant, Ian Connell, Margaret Buckley, Mary O’Reilly, James Lockyton, Winefride Dorrington, Jean Flannigan

- **Drop-in Session:** Tuesdays 3.30-5.30pm in the presbytery, to speak with Fr Marco about any issue. Just drop-in!
- **Cuppa & a Chat:** on Mondays in the parish centre, 12noon – 2pm. Lifts available and all are welcome!
- **Crafty Fishers:** Crafty Fishers group will be every second & fourth Thursday 6pm-8pm in the parish centre. All are welcome.
- **Know someone interested in becoming a Catholic?** Please speak to Fr Marco for more information.
- **Prayer in church:** coming to church is a good opportunity to catch up with friends but please do be mindful of those who try to pray in church before the Blessed Sacrament, both before and after Mass. If possible, please conduct conversations to the narthex, thank you.
- **WhatsApp Community:** Please scan the QR code in the narthex to join our WhatsApp Community to be informed of parish events and news. This is also a useful means of communication for last minute notices, so please do join if you can!
- **Children’s Liturgy:** this year we are hoping to restart the Children’s Liturgy at the 11.30am Mass on a fortnightly basis. If you are willing to help with this, please speak to Fr Marco. Hopefully with enough volunteers we can have a rota, many thanks in advance!
- **Kids’ Bulletin:** we are trialling a bulletin for children – please pick one up from the back of church and let us know what you think!
- **Mass with Anointing of the Sick:** 3pm on Sat 7th Feb followed by a late lunch. All welcome. Any transport concerns please contact Julie at julie.fulea@live.com and we will support if possible!
- **Catechesis for children in non-Catholic schools:** primarily for those preparing to receive First Holy Communion and Confirmation, will start in February. Confirmation on Saturdays starting 21st Feb at 10.45am, First Holy Communion on Sundays starting 22nd Feb at 10am. Please speak with Fr Marco if you would like to join!
- **Altar Servers’ Retreat at Alton Castle:** for altar servers in Years 5-13. Fri 27 Feb to Sun 1 Mar. Cost £109. Please speak to Fr Marco if you are interested!
- **Social and Fundraising Group:** meets this Mon 7.30pm in the parish centre. All welcome.
- **Gospel Fire** 🔥: Our Gospel Fire group has launched! The Word of God should be a guide for our daily lives. Join the WhatsApp group to receive one chapter of the New Testament each day and a little reflection on that chapter. We should get through the whole New Testament by the end of 2026. Join the group through our WhatsApp community and let the Word of God transform your life!
- **Canon Tarbuck Legacy:** We have recently received a legacy from Canon Tarbuck’s estate to the amount of £23,278.94p. We are extremely grateful to him and to those involved in processing the paperwork to enable the transfer of the legacy. We will be offering a Novena of Masses for the repose of his soul in gratitude from 21st Feb to 1st of March, and on his 20th anniversary this year (3rd June).
- **Gift Aid Envelopes for 2026-2027:** If anyone is still interested in using Gift Aid Envelopes for the collection, please fill in the forms at the back of the church and return them to presbytery as soon as possible.
- **Know someone in need? Call the SVP!** We are very blessed to have an active SVP Group here. ‘SVP’ stands for ‘St Vincent de Paul Society’ which helps all parishioners in need of a personal visit or support of any kind. If so, the parish SVP group can be contacted at anytime by phone on 07774 842943 or email sjfcovsvp@gmail.com - membership enquiries also welcome!

In Other News...

- **Pilgrimage to Medjugorje:** Join Fr Marco on a 7-night pilgrimage to Medjugorje Tues 9th–16th June 2026. £765 per person for bookings secured with £150 deposit prior to 31 Jan, or £795 for bookings made on/after 1 Feb. Includes: return flight from Birmingham, 7-nights’ accommodation, coach transfers with local guide, 24h rep-support throughout the stay. Organised by Marian Pilgrimages (www.marian-uk.com), contact Anita Giblin on 07930 674351 (anitagiblin@aol.com) for more information.
- **Could you be a Healthcare Volunteer in Lourdes?** Are you a nurse, doctor, or carer? Would you consider donating your time and expertise in Lourdes? Then please join the Birmingham Archdiocesan pilgrimage in the summer half-term, 25-30th May 2026. You will make a real difference. For more information, please visit <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/lourdes-pilgrimage>

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

I hope you have had a blessed week! Last week we celebrated the Sunday of the Word of God which saw the launch of our **Gospel Fire group** in which we will read a chapter of the New Testament together each day. (It is still not too late to join if you want to!) We have started with the Gospel of Matthew and have reached the **Sermon on the Mount**, which is where our Gospel reading for this Sunday is taken. This Sermon, the greatest ever delivered, has touched countless lives, proposing the most radical and most demanding moral framework in human history. It is deeply challenging, but also calls us into a loving relationship with God our Father: it is only with God’s grace that we can attempt to answer its invitation to perfection.

If you can, this week try to read through the Sermon in one go (Mt chs. 5-7) and ask Jesus to help you to put its teaching into effect. In doing so, many saints have been made and changed the world: maybe it will be you next. *Fr Marco*

Upcoming Social Events

- ❖ **Holy Mass for the Sick:** will take place next Saturday 7th Feb at 3pm and will be followed by a late lunch. Any donations of cakes for this event will be greatly appreciated and can be brought into the parish centre Sat morning between 9-11am.
- ❖ **SVP Tombola Fundraiser:** 5 Tickets for £1.00. On sale in the foyer after Mass on Saturday 7th February and Sunday 8th February. Please support this group if you can. All money raised will go towards helping the sick and needy in the parish.

We remember and pray for all those who have died recently:

William (Bill) Phimister, Mary O’Reilly, Elizabeth (Collette) Kane and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace. Amen.*

DATE	TIME	1 st Reading & Psalms	2 nd R, Gospel Acclam. & Bidding Pr.	Eucharistic Ministers
SAT 31 st Jan	06-30 PM	Cyprian M	Veeda M	Terry B & Maureen S
SUN 1 st Feb	09-30 AM	Felicia B	Dominic B	Brid C & Niall M
	11-30 AM	Sinu X	Joe G	Jaison A & Anne CB
SAT 7 th Feb	06-30 PM	Nigel MC	Nesty DR	Nacey A & Victoria A
SUN 8 th Feb	09-30 AM	Ngozi O	Pete W	Alicia Mc & Gaye G
	11-30 AM	Charlie F	Leslie R	Cath Mc & Susan O’G

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