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**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 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Feb 2026, Yr A. (Day for Victims of Human trafficking)**

**Sunday readings:** New Sunday Missal p.92 (Blue), p.706 (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.

**LIVE STREAMING – YouTube**

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](mailto:sg.stjohnfisher.covty@rcaob.org.uk). Alternatively, the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on **01212306240** or at [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concern.

**HEALTH AND SAFETY:** Mr David McAnenny & Mr Charles Fernandez

**Websites:** PARISH WEBSITE – <https://sjfcov.org>

ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM –

[www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk](http://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk)

COVENTRY DEANERY WEBSITE –

[www.coventry-catholicdeanery.org.uk](http://www.coventry-catholicdeanery.org.uk)

PARISH MASS	SCHEDULE	TIME	INTENTIONS
SAT	07	6.30pm	Holy Mass - Patricia Wood RIP; Pascaol Pinto RIP; James Higgins RIP
SUN	08 FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.30am 11.30am	Holy Mass - Pat Smith Sp Int; Brid Cryan Int; Holy Souls Holy Mass – Mary & James O'Donnell RIP; John Dorrington RIP; Tom Tracey RIP
MON	09		No Mass
TUE	10 ST SCHOLASTICA	9am	Holy Mass – Nisha B'day int; Cryan Family RIP; Neelam & Kishor Thanksgiving
WED	11 OUR LADY OF LOURDES	9am	Holy Mass – Fr Augusto Dias RIP; Pat Smith Sp Int; Mary
THU	12	9am	Holy Mass – Holy Souls; Anthony (Tony) Archer; Brigid & Julie Ints
FRI	13	5.30pm 6.30pm	Eucharistic Adoration Holy Mass – Noel Cronin; Charles & Margaret Cobley RIP
SAT	14 FEAST OF SS CYRIL & METHODIUS, PATRONS OF EUROPE	9am 10am 6.30pm	Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction Holy Mass – Paul & Ann Flynn & Family; Sr Rose Ita Int Holy Mass – Vincent Alfonso sp Int; Albert & Coco Wedding Anniv.; Margaret Asini RIP
SUN	15 SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.30am 11.30am 12.30pm	Holy Mass – Teresa Jones RIP; Brian Mannion RIP; Catherine Dunn, Christina Dunn, Natasha Cross Holy Mass – Collette Kane RIP; Mr Brendan Atuchi Chibuzor & his wife Sp Int Please pray for Margaret who will be baptised after Mass today.

- Today's Retiring Collection: -
- Next Sunday's Retiring Coll.: LIFE charity (supporting mothers in need)

**8-DAY CANDLES (£4)**

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

SHRINE	THIS WEEK	NEXT WEEK
<b>Our Lady's</b>	Mary O'Rielly RIP	Mary O'Rielly RIP
<b>Sacred Heart</b>	Gerardine Sp. Int	Pat Smith & Ollie W Sp. Int
<b>St Joseph's</b>	Gerardine Sp. Int	Mary - John
<b>St Anthony's</b>	Marian McCann RIP	Lily - John

**SJF Parish Collection**

Parish: GAD £461.50 Loose £345.95 Total: £807.45  
Racial Justice: GAD £192.30 Loose £53.30 Total: £245.60

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

**William (Bill) Phimister, Mary O'Rielly, Elizabeth (Collette) Kane, Patrick Greene, Dolly Sharkey**

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.*

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

### Regular Notices

- **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!
- **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](mailto:sjfcovsvp@gmail.com) - membership enquiries also welcome!

### Recent News

- **Children’s Liturgy:** this has now launched at the 11.30am Mass on a fortnightly basis. Many thanks to Leica and her team!
- **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 21<sup>st</sup> Feb at 10.45am, First Holy Communion on Sundays starting 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb at 10am. Please speak with Fr Marco if you would like to join!
- **Gospel Fire** 🔥: Our Gospel Fire group has launched! The Word of God should be a guide for our daily lives. Join our 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. To join, scan the QR code to join 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 £23,278.94. 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 21<sup>st</sup> Feb to 1<sup>st</sup> of March, and on his 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year (3<sup>rd</sup> 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.
- **Accommodation for Sisters:** on the weekend of 11/12<sup>th</sup> April we have a mission appeal, and this year we will be hosting a couple of Sisters from the Holy Family Sisters of the Needy, a religious institute founded in Nigeria in 1983. They help those in need in different parts of the world, including orphans, the homeless, the elderly, lone mothers and girls in difficult situations, and they also run skill acquisition centres for young people. If anyone is willing to provide accommodation for these two sisters on the night of Sat 11<sup>th</sup> April that would be most appreciated. Thank you!
- **Science and Faith group:** The first meeting is this Monday, 9<sup>th</sup> Feb, at 7pm in the parish hall. The first meeting will discuss the relationship between Mental Health and Nutrition. All welcome!

### Outside the Parish

- **Rosary at the Statue of Our Lady of Coventry:** During Lent, the Holy Rosary will be prayed at the Statue of Our Lady of Coventry in Priory Gardens near Broadgate and Holy Trinity Church. Every Friday in Lent at 1.40pm. All welcome!
- **Pilgrimage to Medjugorje:** Join Fr Marco on a 7-night pilgrimage to Medjugorje Tues 9<sup>th</sup>–16<sup>th</sup> 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](http://www.marian-uk.com)), contact Anita Giblin on 07930 674351 ([anitagiblin@aol.com](mailto:anitagiblin@aol.com)) for more information.

### Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

‘You are the Light of the World!’ our Lord tells us in the Gospel of today’s Mass. When we let these words sink in, we realise they are truly extraordinary – how much confidence and trust our Lord places in us! This Light however is not our own, it comes from Jesus Himself who is the true Light of the World and source of all light. This Light comes to us above all through the Sacraments: starting with Baptism, made stronger in Confirmation, and then kept alight through the reception of the Holy Eucharist. This Weds we celebrate the Feast of **Our Lady of Lourdes**: these words of St Bernadette seem fitting - *“The Eucharist bathes the troubled soul in light and love. Then the soul appreciates these words, ‘Come all you who are sick, I will restore your health.’”* Today in Holy Mass we bring to the Lord our soul, however burdened and troubled it may be, for the Lord to clean, purify, and reignite through the reception of Holy Communion. And then may our Light break forth to serve all those we meet this week. With every blessing! *Fr Marco*

DATE	TIME	1 <sup>st</sup> Reading & Psalms	2 <sup>nd</sup> R, Gospel Acclam. & Bidding Pr.	Eucharistic Ministers
SAT 7 <sup>th</sup> Feb	06-30 PM	Nigel MC	Nesty DR	Nacey A & Victoria A
SUN 8 <sup>th</sup> Feb	09-30 AM	Ngozi O	Pete W	Alicia Mc & Gaye G
	11-30 AM	Charlie F	Leslie R	Cath Mc & Susan O’G
SAT 14 <sup>th</sup> Feb	06-30 PM	Jane S	Rija B	Mary C & Terry b
SUN 15 <sup>th</sup> Feb	09-30 AM	Brendan F	Berna B	Joshy M & Moira T
	11-30 AM	Sinu X	Susan O’G	Joe G & Bernadette N

### Upcoming Events

**Ash Wednesday** is on Feb 18<sup>th</sup> with Masses at 9am and 6.30pm. It is good to start thinking about how we can use this upcoming Lent well. Here are a couple of events which may help...

**Charis Evening:** Fri 27<sup>th</sup> Feb 6-8pm here at SJF, an evening of prayer and music to help boost our faith, followed by samosas! The talk will be on conversion and how to use Lent well.

**Stations of the Cross:** will be prayed during Lent. Times and dates TBC.

