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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 **0121 2306240** or at safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.

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

GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY (26th April)

and

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (3rd May)

PARISH MASS	SCHEDULE	TIME	INTENTIONS
SAT	25	6.30pm	Holy Mass – Giuseppina, Giovanni, Nicolina, Domenico, Nina, Aurelio, Carmela; Brian Poole
SUN	26 GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY	9.30am 11.30am 12.30pm	Holy Mass – Vocations to the Sacred Priesthood; Brian McKeeney RIP; Mary O'Reilly RIP Holy Mass – Nkiruka Rita Agu B'day; Sr Rose Ita; Mary Pethullis <i>Please pray for Cindy and Johnny baptised after Mass today</i>
MON	27	6.30pm	Holy Mass – Pro Populo
TUE	28 - ST LOUIS DE MONTFORT	9am	Holy Mass – Bridie Clarke; Sweeny D Costa
WED	29 ST CATHERINE OF SIENA	9am	Holy Mass – Pacabis & Bermudez family thanksgiving; Dermott Barnes RIP
THU	30	9am	Holy Mass – Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV; Giovanna Mistrella
FRI	01 ST JOSEPH THE WORKER	5.30pm 6.30pm	<i>Eucharistic Adoration</i> Holy Mass – Scott Humpston; K. C. Jacob
SAT	02 ST ATHANASIUS	9am 10am 6.30pm	<i>Eucharistic Adoration, Confessions & Benediction</i> Holy Mass – Abraham James 'Sunny'; Archbishop Bernard Longley Holy Mass – Tony McAndrew RIP; Bernadette Taylor & Anita Taylor; Eamon Sharkey
SUN	03 FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	9.30am 11.30am 12.30pm	Holy Mass – Michael Conway RIP; Padraic Greene RIP; Bruno & Nisha Marques Holy Mass – Sandie Moran RIP; Brian McKeeney RIP <i>Please pray for Amelia baptised after Mass today</i>
MON	04 ENGLISH MARTYRS	6.30pm	Holy Mass – Pro Populo
TUE	05	9am	Holy Mass – Jim Angwin; Holy Souls in Purgatory (especially the Forgotten)
WED	06	9am	Holy Mass – The family & friends of Brian McKeeney; Judith Champ RIP
THU	07		No Mass
FRI	08	5.30pm 6.30pm	<i>Eucharistic Adoration & Padre Pio Prayer</i> Holy Mass – Rose Crowley
SAT	09	9am 10am 6.30pm	<i>Eucharistic Adoration, Confessions & Benediction</i> Holy Mass – Abraham James 'Sunny' Holy Mass – Margaret Asini RIP; Rose Trill RIP; May Simon
SUN	10 SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	9.30am 11.30am 12.30pm	Holy Mass – Hugh McAteer; Jerome; Deceased Patty & Turner families Holy Mass – Evelyn Dunnion <i>Please pray for Elliot baptised after Mass today</i>

Retiring Collection 26th April: Clergy Training Fund
 10th May: Poor Parishes of the Diocese

Parish Collection
 12/4/26: GAD £335 Loose £585.10 Total £920.10
 19/4/26: GAD £161 Loose £428.60 Total £589.60

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, James Lockyton, Winefride Dorrington, Jean Flannigan

Welcome to St John Fisher!

If you are new to St John Fisher or visiting us this weekend, a *very warm welcome to you!* Please make yourself known to our welcomers and stay for refreshments in the parish centre after the 9.30am or 11.30am Sunday Mass if you are able!

Regular Notices

Drop-in Session: Tuesdays 3.30-5.30pm in the presbytery, to speak with Fr Marco about any issue.

Cuppa & a Chat: on Mondays in the parish centre, 12noon – 2pm. Lifts available and all are welcome! And many thanks to the group for the new tea urn they have bought for the centre!

Crafty Fishers: Crafty Fishers group every 2nd & 4th 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.

WhatsApp Community: Please scan the QR code in the narthex to join our WhatsApp Community to be informed of latest parish events and news, and to get involved in any of our groups!

Gospel Fire 🔥: The Word of God is a guide for our daily lives. Join our WhatsApp group to receive one chapter of the New Testament a day, finishing by end of 2026. To join, scan the QR code in church!

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!

Recent News

Padre Pio Group: will now meet on the 1st Friday of every month (not Thursday), starting with Eucharistic Adoration at 5.30pm.

Thank you! A big thank you to the Filipino community who have raised over £2000 for our church roof, a beautiful act of generosity! Special thanks to Arvin and the ‘Amor’ team for their efforts!

Newsletter: we will be trialling a 2-week newsletter over the next few weeks to reduce administrative time and costs, as well as to reduce printing and help the environment :) 🌍

Livestream: our supplier is changing mid-May which may cause some disruption to the livestream, thank you for your patience!

Walsingham Pilgrimage: The annual diocesan pilgrimage to Walsingham takes place on Sat 9th May, starting with Mass at 1.30pm. For more information visit <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/Event/all-welcome-diocesan-day-pilgrimage-to-walsingham-2026>.

Pentecost (24th May): A time to celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit and to celebrate our diversity! At the 11.30am Mass it would be great if we could have readings in different languages and songs too! If you speak another language please do let Fr Marco know!

Outside the Parish

Clergy Training Fund: This Sunday is Vocations Sunday, and there will be a second collection for the Clergy Training Fund. This fund supports the formation of our future priests and permanent deacons for our Archdiocese. The formation of a priest typically takes around 7 years and costs in the region of £200,000 per seminarian. This is a significant commitment for our Archdiocese, and it relies entirely on your generosity. Please give as generously as you are able, either in the second collection 25th/26th April or online at: www.vocations.org.uk/ctf. Please also keep in your prayers those currently discerning their vocation, and those in formation, that they may have the courage and perseverance to follow the Lord’s call. Thank you for your support and generosity. +Bernard Longley

Diocesan Prayer for Vocations: Heavenly Father, we ask you to send labourers into your harvest. Inspire, in the hearts of your people, vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life. Bless our families with a spirit of generosity, so that those whom you call have the courage to give themselves to your Church in faith. We make our prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ, I hope you are well and receiving the blessings of this Easter Season! The Fourth Sunday of Easter is known as **Good Shepherd Sunday** and invites us to reflect on Jesus as our Good Shepherd. He also gives us the gift of priests, shepherds who with God’s help try to guide and care for His flock. This Good Shepherd Sunday we have a message from Archbishop Bernard Longley which is shared below. With every blessing for the continuation of this Easter Season, *Fr Marco*

“Dear friends,
This weekend we celebrate Good Shepherd Sunday, when the Church **prays especially for vocations to the priesthood**. I want to ask you to join me in praying today that all those whom Our Lord is calling will respond with courage and generosity to his invitation to serve their brothers and sisters as priests in our Archdiocese. If you feel that the Good Shepherd might indeed be calling you - and if you are 18 or over - I would ask you to write to me directly at archbishop@rcaob.org.uk.
I shall be happy to meet you, with our Vocations Director, Fr Craig Szmidt, and to hear your story as you try to discern what the Lord is asking of you today and in the years ahead. Please pray for me and for all our priests.
With my prayers and kindest wishes,
+Bernard Longley
Archbishop of Birmingham” + *Bernard*

8-DAY CANDLES (£5)

SHRINE	THIS WEEK (27 April)	NEXT WEEK (4 May)
Our Lady’s	Marie	German Cartagenas
Sacred Heart	Pat Smith	Mindy
St Joseph’s	Mindy	Bernadette Taylor & Anita Taylor
St Anthony’s	Joe & Arthur	Kilroy Family

We remember and pray for all those who have died recently:
Betty Oswin (30th May at 12noon, Canley Crematorium)
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.*

Recent & Upcoming Events

SVP Tombola: SVP is having a Tombola in the narthex on 2nd & 3rd May after each Mass. Any support is much appreciated. Thank you!

Curry Night: On Sat 16th May, 7-10pm. Tickets are on sale after each Mass, £15 each which includes a 2-course meal.

Summer Raffle: a chance to win 2 x £100 cash prizes and many more treats — all while helping to fund essential repairs to our church roof. Tickets are just £1 per book, so please buy a few and spread the word!

Car Boot Sale: Sat 20th June from 10.30 am onwards. Admission is £10 per car, with indoor stalls available. Promises plenty of bargains, friendly faces, and refreshments!