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During these difficult and uncertain times, the weekly newsletter will continue to be published.
It can be found on the Coventry Catholic Deanery website - <https://coventry-catholicdeanery.org.uk>

There will also be a small supply of printed newsletters available when you come for private worship.
Please take your copy home and do not leave for others to handle.

Today We Celebrate the 4th Sunday in Lent Cycle A: 269 or 169 (new), 186 (old)

MAGNIFICAT ONLINE

As there are no public Masses for an indefinite period Magnificat online is allowing free access to enable you to follow the Mass, daily prayers, readings etc at home. Log in at www.magnificat.com/free

Contact Margaret (02074483607) or Paul (02074483618) for more information or to order hard copies

Fr Peter will celebrate a private Mass each day for the following intentions

Requests for Mass Intentions can be posted to the church or put through the Presbytery letterbox.

Sat 21 st Mar	Paul Donaghy: Phyllis Bell: Michael McFall Joe & Martha Ghog: Bernie & Kath Kennedy: Geraldine McGrorrty (Redditch): Bill Cantillon
Sun 22 nd Mar	Anne Hastings: Douglas & Vilma Duffield Sheila McKeeney: Pat Cahill & Seamus Finnerty: Maurice Weir
Mon 23 rd Mar	Fr Bob
Tues 24 th Mar	Fr Bob: Nicola Coyle
Wed 25 th Mar	The Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord Paddy Griffin: Stella Cronin
Thurs 26 th Mar	John Coyle: Teresa Mulligan
Fri 27 th Mar	Sheila Sedgley: Shaun Billane
Sat 28 th Mar	Marie Stanford: Sean Gavin: Martin, Molly & Patrick Hoban
Sun 29 th Mar	5th Sunday in Lent Walter Hewkin: Billy Heffernan: Joe Buckley

For live streaming of daily Mass in other local parishes who have the facility: eg Christ the King, St Thomas More, see the Deanery website for the links.

Celebration of the other Sacraments during this time

The Bishop's Conference Guidelines (for more details see <https://coventry-catholicdeanery.org.uk>) have stated:

- **Baptisms** should be deferred except in case of necessity.
- **Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)** can be offered on request as long as hygiene and social distancing requirements are observed (eg a physical barrier between the penitent and the priest such as a grille and cloth).
- **First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion** These celebrations are postponed.
- **Weddings** should be deferred.
- **Funerals** The funeral service should take place at the graveside or at a crematorium, subject to the conditions laid down by the cemetery or crematorium authorities. Arrangements should be made for a Mass to be celebrated in memoriam when congregations are allowed to gather.
- **Anointing of the Sick** will continue under special guidelines.

No Pastoral Visits can be made to people who are self-isolating but phone support can be offered.

Visits to people in Care Homes and Hospitals will follow advice from the staff

Message from Fr Peter

On behalf of Fr Bob's family, may I thank Tina and all of the Parishioners, staff and pupils of St John Fisher and St Gregory's Schools and the Romero Academy for making the Reception and Funeral Masses such moving and uplifting celebrations. You can view Fr Bob's funeral Mass on youtube <https://youtu.be/7BJHO9Joeqk>

I will continue to look after you, assisted by Canon Tom Farrell (my boss!), and the priests of the Deanery.

It has been a privilege and a joy to accompany you and Fr Bob on his journey to meet the Lord. I will always be inspired by his example of priesthood.

Please pray for the repose of his soul and for those of the faithful departed, especially Oliver Muldoon whose funeral service will take place at Canley Crematorium on Monday at 12.45 pm.

YEAR OF THE WORD: The God Who Speaks

The Bishops of England and Wales have asked us to focus on the Gospel of Matthew. For help to do this,

www.cbew.org.uk/home/events/the-god-who-speaks/celebrating/how-to-do-lectio-divina-holy-reading

What would happen if we treated the Bible like we do our mobile phone? If we went back to retrieve it when we forgot it at home? If we took it out several times a day; if we read God's messages in the Bible like we read our messages on the mobile phone?

Pope Francis.

Daily Prayers

Morning

Christ has no body now on earth but yours:
No hands but yours: no feet but yours.
Yours are the eyes through which we must look out
Christ's compassion on the world.
Yours are the feet which He is about doing good.
Yours are the hands with which he is to bless men now.
St Teresa

Afternoon

Thanks be to Thee, my Lord, Jesus Christ,
For all the benefits which Thou hast given me;
For all the pains and insults which Thou hast borne for
me,
O Most Merciful Redeemer, Friend and Brother.
May I know Thee more clearly,
Love Thee more dearly,
And follow Thee more nearly.
St Richard

Evening

God be in my head, and in my understanding:
God be in mine eyes, and in my looking:
God be in my mouth, and in my speaking:
God be in my heart, and in my thinking:
God be at mine end, and at my departing.
Salisbury Cathedral

Night

May He support us all the day long,
'til the shades lengthen
and the evening comes
and the busy world is hushed
and the fever of life is over
and our work is done:
then in His mercy
may He give us a safe lodging
and a holy place to rest
and peace to the last.
Cardinal Newman

*Candles will continue to be lit in church for your intentions.
Candles are available in April - £3.50.
Please put envelope containing intentions and donation through presbytery door.*

Lamp Lit at Sacred Heart Shrine:

This week: 1. Veronica Dickinson & family
2. Catherine (Kitty) Callaghan
Next week: Anne & Larry

Lamp Lit at Our Lady's Shrine:

This Week: Julie Constable & family
Next week: Fr Bob

Lamp Lit at St Joseph's Shrine

This week: Mary & Jim
Next Week: Fr Bob

Lamp Lit at St Anthony's Shrine

This week: Andrew Quinn
Next Week: Nasey & family

Prayers have been requested for the sick of our parish community:

Please contact the church to add a name on the Sick List

Anne Gillies; Hugh McAteer; Margaret Buckley; Cath O'Toole, Tom McGrath, Patrick Maughan, John Maughan, Anthony McDonagh, Rose Maughan, Derek Coyle, Kirsty Coyle, Iain Connell, Michael Ward, Jim Ward, Stefan Szwarnowski,
Eileen Barnes, Michael Kelly, Thomas Hewitt, Mindi Devi, Peter Charman, Elaine Watkins, Arthur Watkins, Michael Butler, Cathy Grant, Garry Hole, Eric Holt

Please continue to pray for, and help, your neighbours in need at this time.

ITEMS FOR FOODBANK : THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

Please give stamps to Tina and leave items for the Foodbank in the porch. There continues to be a great need for your generosity in these trying times.

WINTER NIGHT SHELTER

St Osburg's and All Souls house the homeless for a night each week (Mon and Wed). They require items such as coffee, long life fruit juices, biscuits, cup-a-soups, hygiene items etc. Cash is always welcome.

RED MISSION BOXES:

'Thank you for your donations to Missio – This quarter's collections have been postponed. God bless and keep safe.'

Other resources for individual prayer can be found at <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/>

Last Week's Collections: 1st: £994.61 Thank you.

