

THE CATHOLIC FAITH COMMUNITY OF ST JOHN FISHER - COVENTRY PARISH NEWSLETTER

WELCOME - A COMMUNITY OF LOVE, PRAYER AND SERVICE

OUR CHURCH WAS BUILT [1972]
50TH ANNIVERSARY 2022
FOUNDATION OF OUR PARISH [1964]
60TH ANNIVERSARY 2024
CONSECRATION OF OUR CHURCH [1985]
40TH ANNIVERSARY 2025

Our Parish invites each person to be active and participating member in every aspect of Parish Life. We care for each other and we want to worship and serve our Lord and one another. Do please consider volunteering by participating wherever you feel you can help and serve.

GO IN PEACE
telling the Good News
sharing in the Breaking of the Bread
enriching the Community
through our talents, treasure, and time:
transforming the Community by prayer and by action

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TODAY WE CELEBRATE THE THIRD SUNDAY OF THE SEASON OF LENT MARCH 06TH/07TH 2021 YEAR B

"A Judaeo - Christian Community in the Roman Catholic Tradition"

MASSES / SERVICES	FEB	TIMES	INTENTIONS	FEAST
SATURDAY	06	6-30PM	Fr Bob RIP / Mary Taylor RIP / Intentions Jim + Sheila Sanksom Intentions Valerie + Robert Bannister [50WA]	
SUNDAY	07	9-30AM 11-30AM	Fr Bob RIP / Bill + Bridie Cantillon RIP / Patricia Dillon RIP Fr Bob RIP / PEOPLE OF THE PARISH	
MONDAY	08	9-00AM 7-00PM	Giavanni, Guiseppina, Maria Vicenza, Francesco, Carmela, Nina Intentions Seamus + Phyllis McAloran STATIONS OF THE CROSS	
TUESDAY	09	9-00AM 3-00PM	Joseph Ilangasekera RIP / Bridie + John Cryan RIP RAEFAELA PONSOL RIP 40DAYS MEMORIAL MASS	
WEDNESDAY	10	9-00AM 7-00PM	Gerard O'Driscoll RIP / Eunice Turley RIP / Patty + Turner Families RIP LENTEN HOLY HOUR OF PRAYER	
THURSDAY	11	9-00AM	Marie O'Neill RIP / Intentions Joan Morgan + Family	
FRIDAY	12	9-00AM 12-00PM	Anne O'Donnell RIP / Rosy Lonappan RIP ROSELEEN SOMERVILLE RIP FUNERAL MASS	
SATURDAY	13	9-30AM 10-00AM 6-30PM	EXPOSITION AND ROSARY [9-45AM] Geraldine + Peter Keane RIP / Joseph Matthew RIP Martin + Molly Hoban RIP / Patrick Hoban RIP / Patty + Turner Families RIP	
SUNDAY	14	9-30AM 11-30AM	Anne Hastings RIP / PEOPLE OF THE PARISH Douglas + Vilma Duffield RIP / Michael Cullinan RIP	



WALK WITH ME, THEN,
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Have an Excellent Week - Filled with Faith + Joy, Love + Peace Do Take Great Care Fr Des 06/03/2021 23-45PM.

THANKYOU/VIELEN DANK /GRACIAS/ GRAZIE/ MERCI/ OBRIGADO

THE PARISH IS PART OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM - REGISTERED CHARITY No. 234216

MARCH 2021 CANDLES - YOUR INTENTIONS

[Donation £3-50 - THANK YOU] LAMP LIT AT

Our Lady's Shrine -

THIS WEEK
NEXT WEEK

Quinn + McCormick Families RIP
Connolly + McAloran Families
Cathy - Family + Friends

Sacred Heart Shrine -

THIS WEEK
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FR BOB RIP / Catherine Callaghan [Kitty]
Tina Hastings + Family

St Joseph's Shrine -

THIS WEEK
NEXT WEEK

FR BOB RIP
Michelle Melia RIP / Mary Taylor

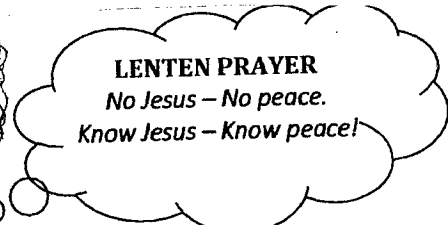
St Anthony's Shrine -

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FR BOB RIP
Patty + Turner Families

We pray for the welfare and the well-being of all our people -
Please remember in your prayers to the Lord this week the elderly, the ill, the house-bound, the sick of our Parish - all those in our hospitals - all in our nursing and residential homes - those dying in our hospices - and all those who have asked us to pray for them.
May all know the Lord's Comfort and Peace May the Lord bless all those who care for them.

We remember all those who have died recently - especially
VERONICA "Ronnie" PHILLIPS, MARCEL DE MULDER, URSULA PEARSON, MICK McCROSSAN, JENNIFER BARRETT, SUSAN MULRVANE, MONICA BEAUSANG, SUSAN LEE, ROSELEEN SOMERVILLE, MARY EWART, JOHN HODDER, CHRIS FERMINGER, JOSEPH MATTHEW, PATRICIA DILLON, and FINBARR COVLE, RIP - and all those who have died because of violence, terrorism, and tragedy - the Corona Virus - and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time. ETERNAL PEACE AND HAPPINESS, GRANT TO THEM, O LORD. We remember in prayer Families and Friends who miss the presence of someone they love. May they be reassured always of the Lord's Love.



Prayers have been requested for People who are Sick and Unwell at this Moment -

Anne Gillies, Hugh McAtee, Margaret Buckley, Cath O'Toole, Tom McGrath, Eileen McGrath, Patrick Maughan, John Maughan, Anthony McDonagh, Eric Holt, Rose Maughan, Derek Coyle, Kirsty Coyle, Iain Connell, Michael Ward, Jim Ward, Eileen Barnes, Michael Kelly, Garry Hole, Thomas Hewitt, Minali Devi, Peter Charman, Elaine Watkins, Arthur Watkins, Michael Butler, Cathy Grant, Constance Kowalik, Maureen Quigley, Peggy James, Christine Ambrose, David Johnson, Jackie Smith, Lily Duck, Bridie Barry, Jesse Abraham, Greville Turner, Teresa Maloney, Sony Sunny

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD WEBSITE - littleevangelist.com
My dear Parishioners and Friends -

The Church here of ST JOHN FISHER is a great landmark - it is a sign of God's love and God's life - it is a tribute to your faith, courage, and goodness. In our excitement let us not forget that Christ is the real cornerstone and we are the living stones, called and chosen to bring Christ's love to others. We are called to live the Gospel way of life every day of the year.

Without the Way there is no going
Without the Truth there is no knowing
Without the Life there is no living. **THOMAS A KEMPIS**

May the Lord's Touch Strengthen Us
May the Lord's Words Encourage Us
May the Lord's Ways Inspire Us

THE SEASON OF LENT-
Speak to someone about the Faith -
Pray - Fast - Give to the Poor -
Read the Scriptures every Day -
Help a Neighbour, Don't wait to be asked -
Wear a symbol of Christianity -
Help the Parish Activities in Lent -
(Masses - Holy Hours - Stations of the Cross)
Pray together as a Family -
Receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation.



100 CLUB WINNERS

JANUARY		
£100	33	PETE CARROLL
£50	46	PAT MULLOOLEY
FEBRUARY		
£100	88	BARBARA McDONNELL
£50	91	ALAN GRIMLEY

ST JOHN FISHER NURSERY - APPLICATIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 2021.
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FOLLOWING CHRIST IS EXCITING.
MK. 1. 14-21.

Robert Louis Stevenson attended Church one Sunday and made this entry in his diary, "Went to Church this morning, and strange to say, I was not greatly depressed." Wherever did some people get the notion that religion is dull? That faith in God is a drug to put the soul to sleep and take away the sparkle and romance of life?

We must have drifted a long way from the New Testament. During that time someone described the first Christians as 'absurdly happy and always getting into trouble.' Look at those four young men, Peter, Andrew, James and John. They were fishermen, in business for themselves, planning their future and always happy to expand their operation. Then one day they looked into the eyes of a Galilean Carpenter, heard Him say, "Follow me," and for some reason they completely changed their plans, left everything else behind and followed Him. That is the religion of the New Testament, real religion. In its true expression it is the most fascinating thing that life can offer. I am sure that we all do not believe that the romantic days of religion are all in the past. What happened back there in the first century can happen and does happen today.

Thanks to all those who have supported ST JOHN FISHER PARISH with their financial support and their donations.

HANDS - FACE - SPACE Wash your hands - cover your face - keep your distance.
We continue to follow the agreed Archdiocesan and Government Guidelines.

We pray that God will bless our Parish and all our homes and families for the many good unseen things that go on - which are always seen by God. **THANK YOU SO MUCH**

Religion carries with it the promise and the romance of becoming something. Jesus said to the four fishermen, "Come, follow me and I will make you fishers of men." Can you think of anything more inviting and thrilling than that, that all people can rise above the present and become something they have never known before? Christianity is the religion of redemption. It is the offer of another chance to those who have missed the way. And there is nothing dull or tame about that.

Here we have four fishermen on the Sea of Galilee who, one day, saw and heard this remarkable Person. He did not sound like their religious leaders. He sounded like the voice of the prophets. As He spoke to them on the seashore and on the hillside, they felt a lump in their throats and hope in their hearts. He awakened in them a challenge to achieve great things, and of living for high ideals. By the irresistible charm of His spirit, the desire was stirred in them to get up and be something they had never been before or even dared to dream about.

Their message to us is simple and direct. We too can be different. We can be fired with high ideals and our characters can be ennobled. We may be small minded and mean, lazy, selfish and greedy; but we don't have to stay that way. There is a voice that invites us to follow Him to be what He intends us to be, far lovelier than we can ever achieve on our own. Yes, real religion is the romance of becoming something.

Secondly, real religion is the romance of doing something. Jesus spoke to these fishermen about going into the business of fishing for people. That means that our small lives can be joined in partnership with the creative purposes of God. Real religion doesn't get us out of life, it gets us into it. We are not Christians just to escape hell and ship into heaven. We are Christians because we believe that the mightiest challenge of life is to stand in our generation, as others have stood in theirs, for the abiding things that Christ stands for.

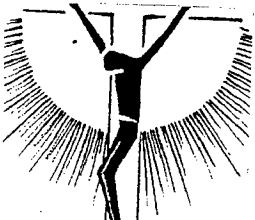
The most powerful, exciting revolution going on in this planet is the divine programme of human redemption, fishing for people. God has paid us the compliment of calling us to be partners in the redemption of the world. Jesus comes to each one of us and says, "Come after me and I will make you fishers of men." He has also called us to help those in need. It's a very practical thing, the same kind of thing He did during His earthly ministry.

Jesus said, "Come, follow me." He led the way. He showed us what it means to be a truly redemptive person. The keynotes of His life are compassion and friendship. Where people were hungry, He set Himself the task of feeding them. When they were sick, He was concerned for their healing. If they were lonely, He offered them friendship. Those who had been ostracised and rejected found acceptance in His presence. For example, there was Zachaeus in Jericho. He was a despised and distrusted man until his life was touched by the life of Jesus. Acceptance and friendship did something to Zachaeus that all the moralising in the world could never have done. To be a redemptive person means much more than preaching sermons. It means giving of yourself, involving your life in the needs and problems of other people. That isn't easy but give it a try. I think you will find it the most rewarding and romantic work in the world.

So, if ever we claim that religion is dull let us remember the exciting challenge that Christ offered those fishermen. That same challenge is offered to us. If we take it up, we are sure to discover that there is true romance in real religion.

If you judge people, you have no time to love them.

Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta



"A
CHANGE
OF
HEART"

Just a Thought: "The wheel was man's greatest invention, until he got behind it"

Just A Thought: A Parish "must be a caring community where God's presence can be found - where God's Word can be heard where God's love is seen and heard - and where everyone feels welcome"