



THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

There is nothing more delightful than the will of God, and indeed there is nothing lovable outside it; and there is no good than to know it and to do it. Moreover, should the adorable will of our God ask of us a sacrifice which is repugnant to our nature, then, it seems to me, we ought to embrace God's will with our whole heart in joyful faithfulness to it!
(Antonio Rosmini)

Next Week's Gospel Reading First Sunday of Lent (18th February 2018)

Gospel – Mark 1:12-15

And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him. Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

Prayer for the Parish -

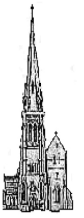
Almighty God, Who governs all things in heaven and earth, mercifully hear the supplications of your people. Grant to our parish all things needful for its spiritual welfare and, through the guidance of Your Holy Spirit, may we be of one heart and mind in the fold of Your Holy Church. To the honour and glory of Your Name. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer for Vocation -

O God, you are the Lord of the harvest. We pray to you that men and women may hear the call of Christ your Son, to work in your vineyard. May they answer the call generously. May we, with them, serve you faithfully all our days so that your faithful people may grow in numbers and favour in your sight. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.



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Week starting 10th February 2018
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
IN THE PARISH

World Day for the sick. Day for the unemployed.

Sunday Collections - Thank you for last Sunday's offertory collection which amounted to **£1,200.99**.

This Week-end - Retiring Collection will be for LIFE - supporting women with problems related to pregnancy and providing help. It also supports the network of contacts, on and off line, which allows anyone to call on LIFE nationally for help. Margaret Nosowska, Peter Spencer and Lorraine Donnelly will speak for the appeal.

Restoration Funds - total raised to date **£90,700**.

Church Spire Restoration – We hope to finish the fundraising when we hit £100,000. There needs to be an ongoing plan in place to keep our beautiful church for many years, which I would like you to consider. There are now repair works needed on our South Wall, Stations of the Cross, Chapel Ceiling, Lighting inside the Church, Boiler, Organ, and also Hibbert's. You can still sponsor Half a brick for £50, a Full brick for £100, or sponsor one Angel Wing for £750. The name of the sponsor can be added to the brick. **We need** as many Sponsors as possible. Thank you all for your continued help.

Confirmation Lesson – for children **not** attending St Marie's School is this Monday (12th) at 5:30 p.m. until 6:15 pm. in Gentili House.

Pancake and Film – this Tuesday (13th) at 5 p.m. starting with the film 'Passion of Christ' followed by Pancakes in Hibbert's Hall. If you are able to attend, please add your name to the list on the notice board.

Cafod Lent fast Day: is on Friday 16th. That weekend we are collecting cans of food and other Grocery items for the food bank. There will be a basket in the porch for your food donations. Thank you.

Stations of the Cross: every Friday evening During Lent at 7pm in the Church. All are welcome.

Walk with me: you are all invited to take a copy each, this book helps to reflect on the daily readings of the Mass during Lent.

Journey in Faith (R.C.I.A.): next meeting is on the 21st Wednesday at 7.30pm in the Convent. Anyone interested to explore the Catholic Faith is very welcome to join us. If you think it will benefit somebody you know please introduce them to the Journey of faith flyer in the porch. Please speak to Fr. Tom.

Lent Lunches - Come and meet on Wednesdays 12 noon throughout Lent for a simple bread, cheese and soup lunch, followed by a short reflection, at various church halls. First meeting next Wednesday 21st February at St Matthew & St Oswald's. Wednesday 28th February Rugby Baptist Church. Wednesday 7th March Rugby Methodist Church. Wednesday 14th March St Marie's RC Church. Wednesday 21st March United Reformed Church. Wednesday 28th March St Andrew's Church. Suggested minimum donation £3 to support Christian Aid & CAFOD.

Parish Priest: Father Tom Thomas
Assistant Priest: Fr. Justus Okibo
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Welcome!

Have you joined us for the first time?

Please complete a card from the main porch and hand it to the clergy.

Come and meet other parishioners for coffee or tea in the Parish Hall after Sunday morning Mass

NB Please remember to inform the Parish Office if you move house or change your contact details.

Parish Office open from 09.00 – 12.30 on Tuesday Wednesday Thursday and Friday

IN THE PARISH continued...

Welcoming Rotas - new rotas are now ready for collection from the sacristy.

Mothers Prayer Group – will meet this Friday (16th) after 10 a.m. Mass at 12 Churchill Road.

Liturgy Group Meeting – this Friday (16th) at 7.30p.m. in Gentili House after the Stations of the Cross.

Silent Prayer Meeting – is next Thursday 22nd February at 2 p.m. in the Convent.

Parish Finance Meeting- is next Thursday 22nd February at 7pm. If you have any item to be discussed, please let the parish office know asap.

Would you be able to give a lift to a parishioner living in Avocet Close, CV23 0WU She would like to attend the Sunday 10.00 am Mass. Please speak to Fr. Tom, if you can help.

Job Vacancy - Deputy Headteacher post at Bishop Ullathorne Catholic School, Coventry. Details are on TES website and on parish notice board.

Parish Day of Reflection: Saturday 3rd March, 10.00 – 16.00: An opportunity for a peaceful day at Mater Ecclesia Convent to consider the thoughts of Father Tim Menezes, Vicar General on - *“Keeping your spirituality whilst following Christ in a Liberal Society and Witnessing Christ in the Parish Community”*. We will have a shared table, Mass at Midday and transport is available. Please let Kathy know if you would like to join us 01788 891940 or kathyellen.smith56@gmail.com

Sine Nomine: Saturday 10th March, 7:30pm. An evening of beautiful music and words reflecting our Faith, presented by the choir “Sine Nomine”.

Retiring collection for ‘Aid to the Church in Need’.

Bible: there are copies of the Bible available in the sacristy, if anybody is looking for a one.

Family Congress in Dublin - the ‘Trinitarian Card’ with the family congress prayer is available with Ruth Clensy for £2.

Parish Priest's Diary:-

Monday: Confirmation meeting

Tuesday: Deanery meeting

Wednesday: Ash Wednesday

Thursday:

Friday: Liturgy Group meeting in evening

DIARY FOR THE WEEK

10th February - 17th February 2018

SATURDAY 10th February – Vigil for Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Confessions 5.30 to 5.55 p.m.

Mass at 6.00 p.m. for Mary Melia R.I.P

SUNDAY 11th February – Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass at 10 a.m. for Michael Bedford R.I.P. and at 6.00 p.m. for Annette Todd R.I.P.

Baptism at 11.15 a.m. of Sophia Panna ILjinska

Confessions from 9.30 a.m. - 9.55 a.m.

Polish Mass at 12.30 p.m.

Coffee/Tea after 10 a.m. Mass in the Parish Hall

Parish Shop open in Coach House after 10 a.m Mass

MONDAY 12th February - Feria in Ordinary Time

Mass at 10 a.m. for Sean Morris R.I.P.

7.00 p.m. for Eddie O’Corroll R.I.P. and in the Oratory for Roland Nelson.

Adoration 8 a.m. – 7 p.m. in the church. (Morning Prayer at 8:50 a.m.)

TUESDAY 13th February - Feria in Ordinary Time

Mass at 10 a.m. for Well Being Eileen Fairbrother

WEDNESDAY 14th February - Ash Wednesday

Mass at 10.00 a.m. for Well Being Noe Bonard

11a.m Whole School Mass

12.45pm Polish Mass

Mass at 7 p.m. for All Parishioners

THURSDAY 15th February - Thursday after Ash Wednesday

Mass at 10 a.m. for Private Intentions Michael Borg

Choir Practice - 7:45 p.m. in Church.

FRIDAY 16th February - Friday after Ash Wednesday

Mass at 10 a.m. for Michal & Zofia Drahun R.I.P.

Stations of the Cross at 7pm

SATURDAY 17th February - Saturday after Ash Wednesday

Confessions 10 to 11a.m. and from 5.30 to 5.55p.m.

Mass at 9:30 a.m. for All Parishioners

Mass at 6 p.m. for Shirley Deery R.I.P.

† PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO ARE SICK: †

Tom Donnelly, Elsie Johnson, Jade Lambert, DeeDee Flint, Piotr Fior, John Ritter, Kerry Livesey, Paul Kelly, Patrick Hannifin, Baby Freddie Fereday, Rose Loveridge, Bert Ritossa, Lenny and Marie Niner, William Hearne, Alfredo Valderroma, Octoivio Granja, Mel Cahill.

† FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES FALL AROUND THIS TIME: †

Sean Morris, James Tucker, Michael McDonald, Maureen Dooley, Mary Melia, Alfons Linden, Michael Bedford, James Hodgins.

We welcome into our Christian community Sophia Panna ILjinska who is being baptised this Sunday.