

# Christ the King Parish, Coventry

Churches of Christ the King and Our Lady of Lourdes, with St Augustine's

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May, 2009.**  
**Fifth Sunday of Easter. Mass Book Page 139.**



**Parish Clergy:**

Very Rev Canon Tom Farrell, Parish Priest.  
Rev Mr G O'Reilly & Rev Mr P Flanagan, Deacons.  
Telephone No. 024 76591618.

Dear Parishioners,

This week we had a lovely note of thanks from Fr John Bentley's parents Jean and Wilf. They were very pleased with our gift to Fr John and the prayers and Masses being offered for him. They say that Fr John is well at the moment and very active with walking and swimming. Although he cannot converse very easily he is able to say his prayers and to sing hymns. His family are able to bring him out of the home he is in a few times every week. Please continue to pray for Fr John and his whole family.

This weekend we begin our First Holy Communion at St Augustine's at 10am and then at Christ the King on Saturday May 16<sup>th</sup> at 10am and 12 noon. Please pray for all the children and their families at this special time and that through the children our faith might be renewed and strengthened. The day following the Communion will be when we have the crowning of the Statue of Our Lady led by the First Communion children.

Many of you will be aware that the Parish Community Centre has been leased to a company from Birmingham for the last seven years. This lease

comes to an end in June and the lease will not be renewed. The company who have the lease at the moment were very eager to renew but I felt it was not in the best long term interest of the parish and community. The Parish will resume overall charge of the centre and I want to develop the community side of the centre again. We will be keeping all our staff and management will be with Mr Frank Keogh, who many of you know has run the club well for many years. In lots of ways there will be a smooth transition and we hope to make improvements that will benefit members and improve parish and school links as well as the local community. It still needs to be professionally and tightly run to ensure its future but I want to ask for your support in using the centre as much as you can for family occasions knowing that it is now supporting the church and its mission. All bookings made will of course be honoured and we hope to improve on all aspects of the service given to you. The same level of catering and service will be maintained and hopefully improved. We will be looking to improve the premises as

well. More details as we come closer to the time of handover. If you have any suggestions about the centre let me know.

We will have our usual weekend camp for our Youth Groups with "It's a Knockout" We are also looking at a summer weekend for families. It would have the option of camping or overnight accommodation but be near enough to come home each night if that is preferred. Is this something that would be of interest? Have a think about it and we will start to see if there is enough interest over the next few weeks. I am sure it would be a good thing to do. We will be setting up a small planning group to look at dates, costs etc. It should only cost £30 per family for the weekend. There is a list at the back of church for you to sign up if you are interested. This list is only to start to have an idea of numbers and not a commitment as such.

The new Family Centre at St Augustine's is now fully opened. There are leaflets at the back of church telling you about the good work going on there and if you want to find out more call in or phone 02476 785300. It is a very good project.

CJM have a concert at St Francis Kenilworth this Sunday at 6pm see poster for details.

There are two places left for Lourdes due to late cancellations please see me if you are interested.

Pray for Archbishop Vincent Nichols as he prepares to go to Westminster. He will be installed on May 21<sup>st</sup>

God Bless.

Fr Tom

Christ The King Church		
Saturday	6.00 pm	James O'Flanagan. Anniv.
Sunday	9.00 am	Brian Annett. Anniv.
	12.00 noon	Edward & Margaret Cullen. Anniv.
Monday	9.15 am	John Horan's Ints.
Tuesday	9.15 am	Peter & Vera Donnelly. Anniv.
Wednesday	12.00 noon	Emily Doran. Decd.
Thursday	12.00 noon	Resurrecon & Chatah Bahia. Decd.
Friday	9.15 am	Enna Rivera. Decd.
	7.00 pm	Bill Hetherton. Anniv.
Saturday	10.00 am	FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS. B. Tierney. A
	6.00 pm	J. Austin's Ints.
Confessions	Saturday	No confessions. First Holy Communion. 7.00 pm After Mass.
Holy Hour	Sunday	4.00 pm
St Augustine's Church		
Sunday	10.30 am	People of the Parish.
Wednesday.	9.00 am	Barry Roberts. Anniv.
Confessions	First Saturday of the month.	

Pause for thought:

"We are all born equal and distinguished alone by virtue"

Latin Proverb

### COLLECTIONS

Thank you for your weekly offerings of 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2009.

Christ the King St. Augustine's

Loose Plate	£649.00	£140.00
Gift Aid	£729.92	£156.60

TOTAL.....£1,675.52

SECOND COLLECTION FOR THE PRIEST'S TRAINING FUND.

Loose Plate	£365.00	£100.00
Gift Aid	£387.15	£64.55

TOTAL.....£916.70

### This week's diary:

#### Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May.

7.00 pm LEGION OF MARY meet in the meeting room every Monday new members needed. Contact Deacon Pat 76335383 or Marie Cooke. 76590329

#### Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May.

SCRIPTURE SHARING GROUP meet in the Meeting Room after the 9.15 am Mass 10.00 am MOTHER & TODDLERS GROUP meets in the Library.

6.30 pm YOUTH GROUP .meeting in the Library.

7.30 pm Charismatic Prayer Group For prayer and praise commencing with the Rosary. New members are very welcome for further information please 'phone 76334574 or 7667623

#### Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> May.

9.00 am MOTHER & TODDLERS GROUP meets in the Library.

1.30 pm ITALIAN CLASSES (intermediate group) in the Library.

7.00 pm ITALIAN CLASSES. (beginners) meet in the Library.

#### Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May.

7.00 pm ITALIAN CLASS (advanced) meet in the Library.

BAPTISMS IN THE PARISH. If you need to arrange a baptism then as the first step please talk with Fr Tom after Mass giving your name, address and 'phone number. We will then have a home visit and give you a copy of the Baptism DVD/VIDEO. There will be just one session at the church to finalise details including the Baptism date.

#### BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSES.

The next course will be on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> June, at 8.00 pm. Please ensure you've seen Fr. Tom beforehand, and have registered for the course.

#### Baby changing facilities

Are provided in the Disabled Toilet.



Gift Aid Envelopes . If any gift aid Parishioner has not received their envelopes please contact our Gift Aid Organiser John Rock, Tel. 76594318.

NON GIFT AID ENVELOPES are available for collection before and after every Mass \_ in the Library.

#### EASTER CHOIR

Music afternoon for the Archdiocese at St. Chad's Cathedral this afternoon -, 2.30.p.m. to 6.30.p.m

PILGRIMAGE TO ROME. Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October for 5 nights, full itinerary and tours included Price £690. per person sharing. Full details from Fr Michael Brandon at All Souls Church, 76674161. Vapour Trails Direct are the Travel Guides, who led our Pilgrimage last year.

"VINCENTIAN VOLUNTEERS" an opportunity for young people to have a challenging experience in serving vulnerable people, and living in a community with like-minded volunteers. Accommodation & living expenses provided. Year is Sept 2009 to July 2010. For more details contact Sr Barbara Quilty DC, 0161 226 9561, or email [barbaraquilty@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:barbaraquilty@hotmail.co.uk)

#### DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND

28<sup>th</sup> Sept to 8<sup>th</sup> October flying BA from Heathrow to Tel Aviv. Pilgrimage Leader Bishop David McGough, and Spiritual Director Canon Mervyn Tower. Price £1,480 per person sharing a room for two. See notice board for further details

#### PRINCETHORPE RETREAT CENTRE.

Beginning Experience weekend 15<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup> May a time to begin again having experienced loss, by separation or death etc Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> 10.00 to 4.30 pm. MARTHA AND MARY a quiet day of prayer and reflection, led by Fr Mark M.S.C. concluding with Mass. Please notice Board for further information about the Retreat Centre.

#### CONFIDENTIAL POST-ABORTION HELPLINE

0845-603-8501. Please see notice board for further details.

#### COVENTRY IRISH CENTRE IS OFFERING A

FREE COUNSELLING SERVICE Tel 76256629. Please see notice board for further details.

PILGRIMAGE TO LOUGH DERG. see notice board for details.

An Induction Loop System is provided in the church to assist Hearing Aid Users Please switch your Hearing Aid to the 'T' Posn



#### Eucharistic ministers rota

9<sup>th</sup> /10<sup>th</sup> May.

6.00 pm. K.Millage. C.Corkerry.  
9.00 am P.J. Stephenson. J.McElroy.  
12.00 noon L,Baldwin. M. Brennan.

16<sup>th</sup> /17<sup>th</sup> May.

6.00 pm. M.Hamlyn. C. Booth.  
9.00 am J. Patterson. B. Brennan.  
12.00 noon B.Edgar. J. Needham.

#### Readers Rota.

9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> May.

6.00 pm M. McCreech. K. Lambert.  
9.00 am C.T.K. CHILDREN. F.Hoey.  
12.00 noon P.Ryan. J. O'Farrell.

16<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup> May.

6.00 pm F.Needham. H. Blanche.  
9.00 am J. Ruddy. D. Parnell.  
12.00 noon P.Dolan. P. Farrell.

#### Parish Centre

Mercia Friendship Club (over 50's)

Friday 1.00 pm. Admission 50p.  
New members welcome. On 15<sup>th</sup> May there will be BINGO & LINE DANCING.

#### Sunday night in the Centre

Bingo OPEN THE BOX has a jackpot of £732 on 3 keys. Music by "FRANKIE"  
Pyramid draw. Jackpot £1,175. Tickets on sale from Friday lunchtime to Sunday 2.30pm when the draw takes place.

Member on the Spot Draw. Prize £76. Remember to have your membership card with you for the "Free members Draw"

ROSARY PRAYERS" every Saturday at 8.00. pm at 'Our Lady of Coventry' statue in Priory Gardens, near Holy Trinity Church, Broadgate. All welcome.

PIETY SHOP First Holy Communion, and Confirmation cards and gifts available.

CATHOLIC PAPERS are on sale in the Paper Stall at the back of the Church every week-end. Proceeds help the St. Vincent de Paul Society to continue its work in the Parish. Please support us by buying a Catholic Paper.

FAIR TRADE GOODS on sale each week-end in the paper shop.

Items for the newsletter email [rhona-ctk@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:rhona-ctk@tiscali.co.uk) by Thursday night



#### Parish Phone Numbers

Presbytery: 76591618  
Parish Centre: 76593444  
Christ the King Infants: 76592047  
Christ the King Junior: 76335790  
St Augustine's Primary: 76596988  
Sports & Community Centre: 76601118  
Gift Aid Orqaniser J.Rock: 76594318



Please switch off your mobile phone, whilst you are in the church. Thank you.

