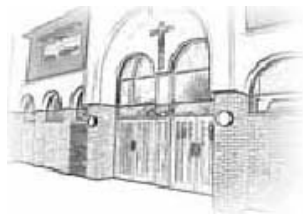


Christ the King Parish, Coventry

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

Sunday 18th January 2009 Mass Book Pg 54
Second Sunday of the year.



Parish Clergy:

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

Dear Parishioners,

It is good to be back with you after the trip to India. It was an amazing journey and we saw so much in our couple of weeks there. It is something that will leave a lifelong impression on me. It was a country of huge contrasts but hopefully one that will work towards a fair distribution of wealth for all. From a religious point of view it was most interesting and made me value the riches of our Catholic faith which has made such a contribution to Indian health and education across the various religions. I am very grateful to Fr Richard who coped so well with all the work and the large number of funerals. I was aware of the funerals in the parish and offered Mass while I was away for the departed and their families. We pray for all those who have died this last year, and at the beginning of this year. We have a number of funerals arranged at the present time. To help us remember those who have died, and their families, there is a new notice board in CTK church porch with names and sometimes photos of those loved ones whose funerals are taking place.

Thank you for your generous Christmas offerings for your clergy, and for all your cards, gifts, messages of support, and promises of prayer. We have sent gifts to Fr Bentley and Fr Clarke over Christmas. Fr Dominic Cosslett is now beginning his ministry as assistant priest (curate) at St George's, Worcester. This week our Catholic newspapers - on sale at the back of church - feature his ordination here. Please do have a read!

The Pastoral Care team are able to offer visits to more people now. So if you know of anyone who would welcome a visit then let me know please. Bereavement this year on the following Monday evenings: Feb 23rd, March 2nd, 9th, 16th and 23rd Please note these dates if you are interested.

The Archbishop has asked us to sign an on line petition objecting to the government's wish to charge churches commercial rates for water. Could you object by email to <http://petitions.number10.gov.uk/ChurchWaterBills>

We have now booked over 90 people on

our trip to Lourdes in May. We will fly from Bristol to Lourdes on Saturday 23rd May until Saturday 30th May returning on the same route. Total cost £575 all in. The extra day is because we were informed this week that Ryanair have changed their flight arrangements for Bristol. If anyone wants to change their mind about the trip we can claim a full refund. The trip is still very good value.

We are blessed to have a very active Justice & Peace Group in the parish. Mrs Lambert, who co-ordinates the group, and her colleagues, are giving us an opportunity after the Masses this weekend to support prisoners of conscience by sending them postcards. Next Sunday is, appropriately enough, a Day of Prayer for World Peace and the Day of Prayer for Christian Unity. On Sunday 1st February we are hosting at Christ the King and ecumenical Evening Prayer for the City of Coventry. We need your support. It is to mark the year of St Paul. Our own Catholic Bishop, Bishop Kenney will lead the prayers and the Anglican Bishop of Warwick John Stroyan will preach. It is at 6pm followed by light refreshments in the centre. We are the hosts so we need your support in good numbers please. I will remind you again next week. There is a good talk about training of priests on Thursday 29th Jan. See over for details.

All the normal clubs and parish groups are now back meeting as normal after the Christmas break.

A Very Happy New Year belatedly!!!

God Bless.

Fr Tom

Christ The King Church		
Saturday	6.00 pm	Jean Hyland. Anniv.
Sunday	9.00 am	Margaret Pearson. Anniv.
	12.00 noon	Lynette Naughton. Anniv.
Monday	9.15 am	Tony Hagan. Months Mind.
Tuesday	9.15 am	Fr.Dominic Cosslett's Ints.
Wednesday	12.00 noon	Canon Farrell's Ints.
Thursday	12.00 noon	Bryan Starkey. Decd.
Friday	9.15 am	Irene McGuigan. Anniv.
	7.00 pm	Peter McDaniel. Anniv.
Saturday	10.00 am	James Kiely. Anniv.
	6.00 pm	Kathleen Brady. Anniv.
Confessions	Saturday	10.30 am to 11.30 am 7.00 pm After the Mass.
Rosary & Benediction	Sunday	4.00 pm
St. Augustine's Church		
Sunday	10.30 am	People of the Parish.
Wednesday	9.00 am	Betty Hetherton. Ints.
Confessions	First Saturday of the Month 7 th February,	

Pause for thought:

"It is not our differences that really matter .It is the meanness that is behind them that is really ugly"
 Mahatma Gandhi

COLLECTIONS

Thank you for your weekly offerings on 11th January, 2009.

<u>Christ the King</u>	<u>St. Augustine's</u>
Loose Plate £599.00.	£145.00.
Gift Aid £778.83.	£129.50.

Total.....£1,652.33.

This week's diary:

Tuesday 20th January.

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

5.00 pm **INSTRUCTION IN THE FAITH FOR CHILDREN** (who are attending non-catholic schools) AND **ADULTS** (who wish to know about the Catholic Faith) in the Library.

7.00 pm **YOUTH CAFÉ** 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 76676232

Wednesday 21st January.

9.00 am **MOTHER & TODDLERS GROUP** in the Library.

1.30 pm **ITALIAN CLASSES** (Intermediate) in the Library.

7.00 pm **ITALIAN CLASSES** (beginners) in the Meeting Room.

7.00 pm **BIBLE CLASSES** in the Library.
Topic This week ".JESUS & THE PHARISEES & SADDUCEES."

Thursday 22nd January.

7.00 pm **ITALIAN CLASSE** (Advanced) 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 us details of address and 'phone number. We will then have a home visit and give out a copy of the Baptism DVD/VIDEO. There will be just one session at the church to finalise details including the date for Baptism. The next class will be held on Thursday 5th February, at 8.00 pm in the Library.

Baptism DVD/VIDEOS.

We lend these to couples preparing for their child's Baptism, if you have one please return it to the Presbytery as we need them for couples arranging for the next course. Still some have not been returned.



BABY CHANGING UNIT

Provided in the Disabled Toilet.

SIGHT SAVERS INTERNATIONAL.

The generosity of parishioners donated £1,730 in 2008 to helping to save or restore the sight of many people throughout the world. Some needed cataract operations to restore their sight, while others just required a simple tablet to protect them from severe blindness. In the present economic climate this was a magnificent effort. With grateful thanks to all concerned, especially to Leo Baldwin for his collecting and accounting. Keep up the good work.

SEMINARY FORMATION TODAY (HOW DO THEY TRAIN PRIESTS?)

a talk by Msgr. Mark Crisp, Rector of St. Mary's College Oscott, on Thursday 29th January at 7.00pm at All Souls Church, Coventry, Many changes have taken place in society and within the Catholic Church over the past 50 years, in his talk Msgr. Crisp will explain how this has affected the training of priests and the essentials of formation to-day.

PRISONERS OF CONSCIENCE

There is an opportunity to support men and women who have been imprisoned in other countries for defending the rights of people in their communities or country. Please send a card to one or more of them. Details available at the back of the Church.

ST.AUGUSTINE'S BROWNIES

meet on Tuesday Evenings 6.30.p.m. to 8.00.p.m. in the school hall. Places available for girls aged 7-10 years. If you are interested for your daughter to join please contact Sally Mawson on 76333239 for details.

CATHOLIC SINGLES is an organization which helps single practicing Catholics meet up, either one to one or through social events. For more information please tel 0161 9413498, visit the website www.catholic singles.org.uk or email info@catholic singles.org.uk.

PIETY STALLS.

Still available a few calendars and diaries at half-price.

Reminders.

Bereavement Training Course.

Mondays, Feb 23rd and March 2nd, 9th, 16th, and 23rd.

Parish Pilgrimage to Lourdes.

Flying from Bristol Saturday 23rd May and returning on Saturday 30th May. Total cost £575, all in.

Ecumenical Evening Prayer for

Coventry at C.T.K. 1st February 6.00pm.



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

17th/18th January.

6.00 pm C.Booth. M.Hamlyn.

9.00 am P.Hobbs. B.Brennan.

12.00 noon J. Needham. M. Baldwin.

24th/25th January.

6.00 pm K.Moroney. J. McNulty.

9.00 am E.Smith. P.J.Stephenson.

12.00 noon S.Needham. C. Molloy.

Readers Rota.

17th/18th January.

6.00 pm W.O'Sullivan. R.Ladbury.

9.00 am J.Ruddy. D.Parnell.

12.00 noon P.Dolan. L.Baldwin.

24th/25th January.

6.00 pm E.Hughes. T.Luff.

9.00 am C.T.K. CHILDREN. F.Hoey.

12.00 noon F.Needham. M. Baldwin.

Parish Centre

Mercia Friendship Club (over 50's)

Every Friday at 1.00 pm. Admission 50p.

New members always welcome. Friday next 23rd. there will be a Demo/Talk on hairdressing & Reflexology by V. Blake.

Sunday night in the Centre

Bingo - music "CELTIC GOLD" OPEN THE BOX JACKPOT OF £571. on 5.keys.

Pyramid draw takes place every weekend in the Centre. Tickets are on sale from Friday lunchtime, through to Sunday 2.30 pm when the draw takes place. The JACKPOT was won last week, so we start again this week with a JACKPOT OF £775.

Member on the Spot Draw. Remember to have your membership card with you for the "Free members Draw" The prize money this week is £67.

PIETY STALLS. The new edition of the Diocesan Directory is on sale £2.35 each. Up to date information about our Diocese.

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 to: 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 Organiser J.Rock: 76594318



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