

Christ the King Parish, Coventry

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

Sunday 22nd February, 2009.
Seventh Sunday of the year. Mass Book Pg 65.



Parish Clergy:

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

Dear Parishioners,

This week we begin our very important journey of Lent with our Ash Wednesday Masses. It is a time for us to receive the Ashes and to acknowledge our need for God. We have ensured that there is plenty of choice through the weeks of Lent so that you can think of doing something extra. Perhaps Mass during the week, Stations of the Cross or the Lenten Bible Talks. Choose one thing and try to stick with it. You will see that we have a sheet outlining all the Lenten Programme and advance notice of the Confession evening with visiting priests and the anointing of the sick and the Passover Meal. We also have the "Walk with Me" booklets and calendars to help us each day. Please try to make the effort for Lent and to encourage each other especially within our own families. There is now a funeral prayer board asking for prayers for the deceased and with photos of those loved ones whose funerals are taking place during the week. Please remember these people and their families each week in your prayers. 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 Course starts this Monday and on the following four Mondays at 7pm in the Library and Presbytery. The dates are Feb 23rd, March 2nd, 9th, 16th and 23rd. Please note these date if you are interested. We are looking to increase the number of readers and Eucharistic ministers. I will be asking if people are interested or you may like to come forward yourself. Please have a word if you feel called to serve in this way Please sign the list at the back of church if you are an existing minister of reader or would like to join up. Training will be given. This is the last week before we draw up the new rota. Could any recent Baptism families please let us have Baptism DVD's or Videos back as soon as possible as we need them urgently for the next group of families to use. We will again be asking people to remember the Sacrament of Confession and will have a good number of visiting priests to make sure that we do not have the delays that we had at Advent. I want to make sure that no one is put

off going to confession. We will of course be also celebrating First Confession with this years Communion class and their families. Fr Frank Gwinnett who came here as a curate 50 years ago is celebrating 50 years as a priest. His Golden Jubilee is on Saturday February 21st. He has very happy memories of the parish and the kindness shown to him here. Please remember him in your prayers and I will send a gift from the parish. There is a good talk by the famous Jesuit priest Gerald O'Collins at Oscott College on Friday 27th February. Followed by night prayer. If you are interested sign the list at the back of Church and see poster for details. If there is enough interest we will arrange transport. We will leave Christ the King at 7pm and return by 10.30. There is an exhibition about the Turin Shroud at St Chad's Cathedral including a full sized replica of the shrine. Admission free 10am to 4pm from 21st to 28th Feb. During Lent we have less singing and music as we prepare for Easter. It is a good time for us to service the Church organ at Christ the King. The organ is very good and valuable. It is worth about £150,000 and a great asset. It was built and installed in 1981 by Giovanna Tamborini of Italy. However it has never been serviced in all those years although it has been tuned regularly. We are having the necessary work done to make sure it is good for another 30years. It will cost about £10,000 but will be money well spent. I am grateful to Derek Byrne a former parishioner of Christ the King who now runs Kenneth Jones Organs in Bray Ireland for doing this work at a discount. Any donations to the Organ fund gratefully received. Our thanks also to Con McHugh and Ian Ridley who have voluntarily PAT tested all our electrical equipment which has saved us lots of money and to Cathedral Glass for voluntary work to the church as well.

God Bless

Fr Tom

Pause for thought:

"Live simply so that others may simply live"

Christ The King Church		
Saturday	6.00 pm	Tom.Cicely & Frank Hargreaves. Dec
Sunday	9.00 am 12.00 noon	Kevin Henry. Anniv. Alec. & Doreen Davies. Ints.
Monday	9.15 am	People of the Parish.
Tuesday	9.15 am	Margaret Noone. Ints.
ASH WEDNESDAY	9.15 am 12.00 noon 7.00 pm	Lisa Shepherd. Decd. Fr. Walker's Ints. Fr. Meneze's Ints.
Thursday	12.00 noon	Jim Stewart. Decd.
Friday	9.15 am 2.00 pm 7.00 pm	John & Annie Neary. Anniv. Cathy Dolan. Funeral. Kevin Fitzpatrick's Ints.
Saturday	10.00 am 6.00 pm	Richard Ormond. Funeral. Kathleen Kilkelly. Anniv.
Confessions	Saturday	10.30 am to 11.30 am 7.00 pm, After the Mass.
HOLY HOUR	Saturday Sunday	10.30 am to 11.30 am 4.00 pm
St. Augustine's Church		
Sunday	10.30 am	Basil Ryan Moulder. Anniv.
Wednesday	9.00 am 7.00 pm	Mrs.Selvarani. & Mr.Christy. Dec. Edward Masterson. Decd.
Confessions	FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH.	

COLLECTIONS

Thank you for your weekly offerings of 15th February 2009.

<u>Christ the King</u>	<u>St. Augustine's</u>
Loose Plate £658.00	£140.00
Gift Aid £743.48	£151.70

Total.....£1,693.18.

CATHOLIC EDUCATION COUNCIL.

Loose Plate. £390.00	£86.00
Gift Aid. £288.18	£68.96
Total.....£833.14	

This week's diary:

Monday 23rd February.

7.00 pm JUSTICE & PEACE meeting in the Presbytery.

7.00 pm LEGION OF MARY meet in the meeting room every Monday new members needed. Contact Deacon Pat 76335383 or Marie Cooke. 7659032

Tuesday 24th February.

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 25th February.

9.00 am MOTHER & TODDLERS GROUP in the Library.

7.30pm BIBLE CLASSES in the Library. note time....

Topic this week "THE IMPORTANCE OF PALM SUNDAY"

SATURDAY 10.30 to 11.30. Holy Hour

Rosary & Prayers to pray together for our Parish Family. This weeks intention - we pray for those no longer part of our Parish Family that they will come home for Easter.

Baptisms in the Parish.

If you need to arrange a baptism then as the first step please talk with Fr Tom or Fr Richard 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.

We lend Baptism DVD/VIDEOS

to 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. We still some have not been returned.

ST.AUGUSTINE'S BROWNIES meet on Tuesday Evenings 6.30 pm to 8.00 pm 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.

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.catholicsingles.org.uk or email info@catholicsingles.org.uk.

PRINCETHORPE RETREAT CENTRE.

Quiet days with spiritual accompaniment available. Thursday 19th March. TAIZE - an hour of music, quiet prayer.
Friday 3rd April THE GLORY OF GOD IS A PERSON FULLY ALIVE

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER.

Friday 6th March. City centre service at the Methodist Central Hall, at 11.00 am Speaker Captain L. Lloyd-Jones.

COVENTRY ANGLICAN DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO SANTIAGO JUNE 8th to 18th the third pilgrimage will set out to walk in the footsteps of the Pilgrims who have for a thousand years walked the Camino de Santiago through Spain to the tomb of St. James in Compostela. Cost circa £395, including insurance, airport transfers, flights and first night b/b & breakfast. Please see notice board for full details or 'phone Rev R Trew 76402006

ST.MARY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL, SOUTHAM. Headteacher required for September 2009. Full details on notice board. Closing date for applications 2nd March, interviews 26th/27th March.

PIETY SHOPS.

St Patrick's Day and Easter Cards now available.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL.

Single "brand new" mattress available to good home, contact J. Curtis 76591388.

PIONEER TOTAL ABSTINENCE

ASSOCIATION Next meeting on Friday 6th March after 7.00 pm mass in the Library. All members welcome, enjoy a cup of tea and catch up on events.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT SUNDAY FOR 'CATHEDRAL MAINTENANCE' FUND.

Reminders

WEDNESDAY- ASH WEDNESDAY is a day of FASTING AND ABSTINENCE.

Eucharistic ministers rota

21st/22nd February.

6.00 pm K.Moroney. J.McNulty.
9.00 am E.Smith. P.J.Stephenson.
12.00 noon S.Needham. C.Molloy.
28thFeb/1stMarch.

6.00 pm P.Ward. S.Johnson.
9.00 am B.Byrne. J.Parnell.
12.00 noon M. Baldwin. T. Mack.

Readers Rota.

21st/22nd February.

6.00 pm T.Luff. E.Hughes.
9.00 am H.Hoey. F.Hoey.
12.00 noon M.Baldwin. F.Needham.
28thFeb/1stMarch.

6.00 pm F. Lambert. T.French.
9.00 am J. Griffin. J. Patterson.
12.00 noon M.O'Farrell. C.Coyle.

Parish Centre

Mercia Friendship Club (over 50's)

Every Friday at 1.00 pm. Admission 50p. New members welcome. Friday next 27th BINGO AND LINE DANCING.

Sunday night in the Centre

Bingo - music by "DECLAN GAYNOR" OPEN THE BOX has a JACKPOT OF £226 on 13 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 this week is £900.

Member on the Spot Draw.


Remember to have your membership card with you for the "Free members Draw" The prize money this week is £109.

PARISH CENTRE MEMBERSHIP

Renewal of Membership finishes next week-end. 12.00 noon to 2.00 pm £7 single membership. £2 for over 65.

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.



BABY CHANGING FACILITIES

Are provided in the Disabled Toilet.



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