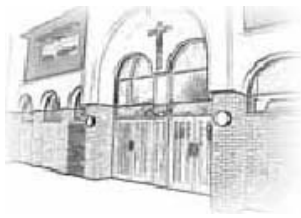


Christ the King Parish, Coventry

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

Sunday 24th May, 2009.
Seventh Sunday of Easter, Mass Book Page 143.
Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord.



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 weekend we are in Lourdes with the Diocesan Pilgrimage. We are bringing 110 people and will be the largest parish group from the diocese. Please keep us all in your prayers as we will you. We will be bringing with us all the petitions that people have handed in and will place them at the Grotto. We will also be lighting a Candle for the whole parish at the shrine. We are back late on Saturday. This weekend we welcome Fr Denis O'Connor to the parish and he will be saying the Masses over the weekend. While we are away there will be the normal pattern of Masses each day although there will not be the morning Mass at St Augustine's on Wednesday at 9am. There will be the 12 noon at Christ the King. I am grateful to Fr Donlon and Fr Keniry for their help. 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. The handover date is Monday 29th of June.

We will have our usual weekend camp for our Youth Groups with "It's a Knockout" This is on weekend of June 19th to 21st We are also looking at a summer weekend for families. This will be on the 5th and 6th of September at the end of the summer. 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. There is a training day for anyone interested in Parish Evangelisation at St Chads Cathedral on Sat 30th May from 10am to 4pm. All welcome. Pray for Archbishop Vincent Nichols as he begins his new role and for Bishop William Kenney, who has been appointed to administer the diocese. I attended the meeting of the Canons to elect him on Friday and to begin the process of appointing a new Archbishop. Please pray for the diocese at this important time and for those looking after things until the appointment of our new Archbishop.

May Our Lady of Lourdes pray for us all,
 God Bless.

Fr Tom

Christ The King Church		
Saturday	6.00 pm	Mary Farrell. Anniv.
Sunday	9.00 am	Paul Butterly. Decd.
	12.00 noon	Michael McBearty.
Monday	9.15 am	Terry Brookes. Anniv.
Tuesday	9.15 am	Aileen O'Toole. Decd.
Wednesday	12.00 noon	Betty Hetherton's Ints.
Thursday	12.00 noon	Ellen & Patrick Ryan. Anniv.
Friday	9.15 am	Nancy Turner. Anniv.
	7.00 pm	John Edney. Decd.
Saturday	10.00 am	Michael McBearty.
	6.00 pm	Johnny Fitzpatrick. Anniv.
Confessions	Saturday	No Confessions 7.00 pm after Mass.
Holy Hour	Sunday	No Holy Hour to-day 24 th
St Augustine's Church		
Sunday	10.30 am	Bridget & Patrick Davitt. Anniv.
Wednesday	9.00 am	No mass see CTK above.
Confessions	First Saturday of the month. 6 th June.	

Pause for thought:

*"Truth exists, only
 falsehood has to be
 invented"*
 George Braque

COLLECTIONS

Thank you for your weekly offerings of 17th May 2009.

Christ the King St. Augustine's

Loose Plate	£646.00	£120.00
Gift Aid	£760.47	£169.31

TOTAL.....£1,695.78.

This week's diary:

Monday 25th 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 26th May

SCRIPTURE SHARING GROUP meet in the Meeting Room after the 9.15 am Mass
10.00 am MOTHER & TODDLERS GROUP
No meeting mid-term break.
YOUTH GROUPS. No meeting mid-term break.

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
NO MEETING THIS WEEK.

Wednesday 27th May

9.00 am MOTHER & TODDLERS GROUP
No meeting mid-term break.

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 4th June, at 8.00 pm. Please ensure you've seen Fr. Tom beforehand, and have registered for the course.

DAY OF RECOLLECTION FOR PENTECOST

at Ark of the Covenant, Potters Green Road, on 30th May starting at 10.00 am. Cost £10 to include refreshments and light lunch. Please 'phone 76604144, or e-mail info@thearkofthecovenant.org.uk to book a place.

Baby changing facilities

Are provided in the Disabled Toilet.



CHRIST THE KING JUNIOR SCHOOL.

CLEANER REQUIRED to work in school for one and a half hours a day, term time only. Hours either 6.30 am to 8.00 am or 4.30 pm to 6.00 pm. For further information please contact the school on 76335790.

PILGRIMAGE TO ROME. Sunday 4th October for 5 nights, full itinerary and tours included Price £690 per person sharing. Full details from Fr. Michael Brandon at All Souls Church, 7667416. Vapour Trails Direct are the Travel Guides, who led our Pilgrimage last year.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND

28th Sept to 8th 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.

SATURDAY 30th 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.

KNIGHTS OF ST. COLUMBA are holding a "Western Theme Evening" in aid of CHURCH FUNDS Music by the very popular "Rough Diamond" group on June 6th in the Parish Centre from 7.30 pm. Tickets £5. from Steve Lane 76679018, or Keith Millage 76601136.

CAFOD recently launched a Climate Justice Campaign in Coventry. There is an explanation display at the back of the Church God has given us our planet and rich resources, it is a divine gift, BUT its our responsibility to use these resources with care It is the poorer developing countries which are suffering from the effects of the emission of green-house gases from industrial regions such as ours. One way we can help is to adopt a simpler life-style. There will be suggestions every fortnight about this. THIS WEEK suggestion is "turn off the tap" running water wastes natural resources.

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



Eucharistic ministers rota

23rd/24th May.
6.00 pm K.Moroney. J.McNulty.
9.00 am E.Smith. R.Askew.
12.00 noon C.Molloy. S.Needham.
30th/31st May.
6.00 pm P. Ward. C. Booth.
9.00 am J.Patterson. P.J.Stephenson.
12.00 noon S.Fish. D. Malone.
Readers rota
23rd/24th May.
6.00 pm E.Hughes. T.Luff.
9.00 am F.Hoey. J.Patterson.
12.00 noon L.Baldwin. J.Jennette.
30th/31st May.
6.00 pm D.Sandy. M. Duke.
9.00 am J. Ruddy. D. Parnell.
12.00 noon L.Baldwin. M. Baldwin.

Parish Centre

Mercia Friendship Club (over 50's)
Friday 1.00 pm. Admission 50p.
New members welcome. On 29th No Meeting. Mid-term break.

Sunday night in the Centre

Bingo OPEN THE BOX has a jackpot of £852on 3 keys. Music by "CELTIC GOLD"

Pyramid draw. Jackpot £1,225 Tickets on sale from Friday lunchtime to Sunday 2.30pm when the draw takes place.

Member on the Spot Draw. will resume in July.

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 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 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.

