SAINT JOHN VIANNEY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Vianney House,
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Our Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham (Registered Charity Number 234216)

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1ST MARCH – SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

March: Saint Joseph **I** Sunday Year A **I** Parish Mass Book pg. 155 **I** Weekday Year 2 **I** Psalter Week 2

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT *Giving Campaign Week 1: Introduction*	Saturday 28th	5.30pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6.00pm **Vigil Mass of Sunday** – Dessie Quinn RIP
	Sunday 1st	9.00am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (9.10am Morning Prayer) 9.30am **Sunday Mass** – Kevin Shakespeare RIP (1st Ann) *Tea and Coffee available after Mass (Parish Hall)*
Feast of Saint Chad	Monday 2nd	No Mass
Lent Feria	Tuesday 3rd	9.00am **Holy Mass** – Michael McBrearty RIP
Lent Feria	Wednesday 4th	9.00am **Holy Mass** – Patrick Mullen RIP 9.30am Stations of the Cross *6.30pm-7.30pm Journey in Faith (Vianney House)*
Lent Feria	Thursday 5th	9.30am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 10.00am **Holy Mass** – Daniel Harty RIP and Mary Harty *7.00pm Parish Council AGM (Parish Hall)*
Lent Feria *First Friday & World Womens Day of Prayer*	Friday 6th	7.00am **Holy Mass at Our Lady's Altar** – Jean Carver *12.30pm Lenten Lunch for Mary's Meals. Sign up sheet in porch. (Vianney House)* 6.00pm **Holy Mass** – Gemma Kiely RIP 6.30pm Stations of the Cross
Lent Feria	Saturday 7th	7.00am **Holy Mass** – Madeleine Carter RIP
THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT *Giving Campaign Week 2*	Saturday 7th	5.30pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 6.00pm **Vigil Mass of Sunday** – Intentions of Natasha Kotiw
	Sunday 8th	9.00am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (9.10am Morning Prayer) 9.30am **Sunday Mass** – Intentions of Fr Alex *Tea and Coffee available after Mass (Parish Hall)*

SAFEGUARDING NOTICE: Our Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Rep is Tricia Towner, who can be contacted at sg.stjohnvianney.covty@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.

PRAYER INTENTIONS:
For those who are sick and housebound, those in nursing homes and hospital: Terence Cassidy, Steve Ward, Peter Hughes, Sylvia Flynn, Mary Harty, John Hoban and Laura Crowe.
For those who have died: David Goodall, Gemma Kiely, Madeleine Carter, Anna Maria Thomas, Mary Bell and Fr Joseph Narikuzhi.

PARISH OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

Offertory Collection (21st & 22nd February)
Gift Aid: £114.50 **Loose:** £376.10
Tap&Go: £72.00 **Total: £562.60**
Tap & Go SJV Donation £5.00

Online Giving:
https://donate.mydona.com/st-john-vianney-coventry
Thank you for your continued generosity and financial support of the parish.

PARISH HALL BOOKINGS
Please contact the Parish Office or use the QR code to enquire about rental of the Parish Hall for a meeting, group or event.

PASTORAL CARE GROUP: Are you or do you know of anyone in the parish who is sick, isolated, needs a visit, assistance or befriending? Please get in touch with the Parish Office or Fr. Alex.

COVENTRY FOOD BANK: Our parish help local people in crisis by donating items for the foodbank. Our SJV donation collection box is in the entrance hall to Church. Thank you for your donations. For more information go to www.coventryfoodbank.org.uk

CATHOLIC EDUCATION FOR OUR PARISH *is part of the Holy Cross MAC www.hccmac.co.uk*

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"TO BE MORE LIKE JESUS EVERY DAY, THAT IS MY AIM"

As we continue our Lenten journey, we can draw inspiration from one of the church's newest canonised saints. Saint Carlo Acutis centred his life on three simple practices: the Eucharist, Adoration, and Confession. Through daily Mass and Holy Communion, he believed we grow ever closer to Jesus and taste something of heaven on earth. He called the Eucharist his "highway to heaven" and encouraged time in Adoration as a direct path to holiness. He also saw Confession as a cleansing fire that removes obstacles to grace. May these three practices, together with prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, renew our hearts this Lent.

THIS WEEKEND

The 9.30am Sunday Mass is offered for Kevin Shakespeare RIP on his 1st Annivesary. We welcome and pray for any of Kevin's family, friends and former colleagues who join us for mass.

PARISH PLANNED GIVING CAMPAIGN WEEK ONE

Dedicated page on the parish website: www.st-john-vianney.org.uk/planned-giving-2026 where you can read the Archbishops Letter and find out more information on this campaign. "The life of every parish is sustained by the generosity, commitment and prayer of the faithful. The resources entrusted to us are gifts given for the service of the Gospel, and it is our shared responsibility to use them wisely in building up the life of the Church" – Archbishop Bernard. This giving campaign is not solely about your financial contribution, but perhaps most importantly, it is to request whether you could offer your time and talents to volunteering in your parish. Please take the material away with you and consider how you can help the parish and bring any forms back over the next two Sundays. The types of forms available are (1) a leaftlet explaining the campaign, (2) Parish Census and Time Talents, (3) Financial Giving by Gift Aid and Standing Order. Your contributions to parish life is so important to the future of our parish.

MARCH PRAYER INTENTIONS

Parish March Prayer Intention: For our Catechumens and Candidates who are preparing for the Sacraments this Easter. That they may feel welcomed and valued members of our parish and be inspired to grow further in their faith, enlightened by the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Pope Leo Prayer Intention: For disarmament and peace. Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

PARISH NEWS & EVENTS

Please note Mass and Liturgy times this week

Friday morning 7.00am Mass as well as 6.00pm evening Mass followed by Stations of the Cross, Saturday morning Mass at 7.00am, no adoration or confessions today.

NEEDED: Readers for 6.00pm Saturday Vigil Mass. Please let Fr. Alex know if you can read as part of the rota.

Praying as a Deanery Cluster (West Mission)

Lent Devotions will take place on Wednesday evenings at 7.00pm, alternating between the parishes within our cluster or mission group. This is a time for the communities to come together before the Lord for prayer and reflection during the season of Lent. This weeks is at Our Lady of Assumption on March 4th.

Journey in Faith

This Wednesday, 4th March at 6.30pm to 7.30pm, meeting in Vianney House. Topic on the Eucharist. Bring your Bible along.

Parish Council AGM

This Thursday, 5th March at 7.00pm Fr. Alex and the Parish Council wish to invite parishioners to the parish meeting and AGM in the Parish Hall. All welcome.

Friday Lenten Lunches for Mary's Meals

Taking place in Vianney House on this Friday 6th, as well as on 20th & 27th March from 12.30pm to 1.30pm. Each week, we will begin by watching a 3-part EWTN docuseries on 'Seeking Beauty'. Sign-up sheet available in porch until Thursday after Mass.

Mass with the Anointing of the Sick

11.00am on Saturday 21st March. Followed by tea and biscuits in the parish hall.

Mary Bell RIP: Of your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of Mary Bell who passed away on Monday 16th February. May she rest in peace. Funeral details to be announced in due course.

Mass During Lent

The Liturgy during Lent is noticeably different. On Sunday's Mass will be simpler and incorporate the richness of the prayers of the Missal, for example using Penitential Act B on page 8 of Mass Book and we will use either the English or the Latin version of the Marian Lenten hymn at the end of Mass.

Hail, Queen of heaven, beyond compare, to whom the angels homage pay; Hail, Root of Jesse, Gate of Light, that opened for the world's new Day. Rejoice, O Virgin unsurpassed, in whom our ransom was begun, for all your loving children pray to Christ, our Saviour and your Son.

Latin: Ave, Regína cælórum, ave, Dómina angelórum,
salve, radix, salve, porta, ex qua mundo lux est orta.
Gaude, Virgo gloriósa, super omnes speciósa;
vale, o valde decóra, et pro nobis Christum exóra.

Adoration before Sunday Mass

Come and pray before the Blessed Sacrament – Adoration on Saturday from 5.30pm and Sunday at 9.00am, with Morning Prayer at 9.10am.

DEANERY & DIOCESE:

Going into Hospital: If you or a relative is going or in into hospital, please be sure to tell the ward staff you are a Catholic and would like to see the Catholic Chaplain.

Charis Evening: Join us at St John Fisher Church for an evening of prayer, spiritual input, Confession and praise and worship on Fri 27th Feb, 6.00pm-8.00pm, followed by refreshments. A great way to enter into the Lenten spirit!

Relic of Saint Carlo Acutis: There will be public Veneration of his relics at St Osburg's, from Wednesday 11th March to Saturday 14th March. There is also an exhibition and four night course. See poster in Church for more details.

Coventry COMHALTAS Saint Patricks Ceilo: Friday 13th March 2026 8.00pm-11.30pm**,** Christ the King Club, Westhill Rd, Coventry CV6,2AA**.** Dancing to Innisfail Ceili Band (with Caller)**.** Adults £5.00 Children £2.50 OR a Family Ticket at only £10. For details please contact PRO Jerry 07795 807186 or Colleen 07557 648849.

Rosary Prayers in Lent 2026: At Our Lady of Coventry statue in 'Priory Gardens' near Broadgate and Holy Trinity Church. Every Friday in Lent at 1:40pm.

Kingdom of God Prayer Group: meets every Monday at 7.00pm in the MRR at Saint Thomas More.

Annual Diocesan Thanksgiving Mass for Marriage: St Chad's Cathedral on Saturday 2nd May 2026 at 12 Noon. For more information, and to register your attendance, please visit www.vocations.org.uk/marriage-mass

Various Diocesian jobs and work experience available:
www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/Pages/FAQs/Category/jobs

PARISH ROTA

This Weekend (2nd Sun of Lent)

28th February - 6.00pm Vigil Mass:

Readers: 1st Reading (C Carr), Responsorial Psalm
2nd Reading, Gospel Acclamation, Bidding Prayers (Year 6)
Stewards: (J & K Teahan)

***1st March - 9.30am Sunday Mass*:**

Readers: 1st Reading, Responsorial Psalm (T Cawley)
2nd Reading, Gospel Acclamation, Bidding Prayers (A Whelan)
Stewards: (D & L Smith) **Tea & Coffee:** (Cath Kennedy).

Next Weekend (3rd Sun of Lent)

7th March - 6.00pm Vigil Mass:

Readers: 1st Reading (?) Responsorial Psalm
2nd Reading, Gospel Acclamation, Bidding Prayers (Year 6)
Stewards: (?)

8th March - 9.30am Sunday Mass:

Readers: 1st Reading, Responsorial Psalm (?)
2nd Reading, Gospel Acclamation, Bidding Prayers (?)
Stewards: (?) **Tea & Coffee:** (Junie & Martin).