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31st May 2026 | Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

SAINT JOHN VIANNEY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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PARISH DIARY

Month of June Sacred Heart of Jesus
Sunday Year A | **Green** **Parish Mass Book** pg. 81 **Weekday Year** 2 | **Psalter Week** 1

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY *First Sunday after Pentecost*	Saturday 30th	6.00pm **Vigil Mass of Sunday –** Patrick Griffin RIP
	Sunday 31st	9.10am Morning Prayer 9.30am **Sunday Mass –** Fiona and Trevor (30th Wedding Anniversary) *Tea and Coffee after Mass in the Parish Hall*
Saint Justin	Monday 1st	9.00am **Mass** – Intentions of Tony Seddon
Feria	Tuesday 2nd	9.00am **Mass** – Gemma Kiely RIP
Saints Charles Lwanga and Companions	Wednesday 3rd	9.00am **Mass** – Mary Bell RIP
Feria	Thursday 4th	12 Noon – **Funeral Mass** for John Hoban RIP 6.00pm **Mass** – David Goodall RIP B'day intentions
Saint Boniface	Friday 5th	9.00am **Mass** – Mary Bell RIP
Our Lady on Saturday	Saturday 6th	10.00am **Mass** – Special Intention 10.30am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions until 11.00am
SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST	Saturday 6th	6.00pm **Vigil Mass of Sunday with Eucharistic Procession with the SJV Confirmation and FHC children –** Josie Parnell RIP
	Sunday 7th	9.10am Morning Prayer 9.30am **Sunday Mass –** David Goodall RIP *Tea and Coffee after Mass in the Parish Hall*

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION

SOLEMNITY OF THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

PARISH NEWS

NEXT SUNDAY:
SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST
(CORPUS CHRISTI)

At the end of Masses next weekend, the traditional priestly blessing will be replaced with a Eucharistic blessing (Benediction), which is not a substitute or a deletion of the Mass's concluding rite, but rather an authorised liturgical transition if a period of Adoration follows the reception of Communion. Because Christ is exposed in the monstrance, the priest omits his final blessing and the dismissal.

At the **6.00pm Vigil Mass**, weather permitting, we will have a short procession into the school grounds with the children who made their First Holy Communion and Confirmations. We will then say the divine praises and receive benediction.
At **9.30am Sunday Mass**, after the Concluding Prayer, we will have a few short moments of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament exposed in the monstrance, say the divine praises, and again receive the blessing of Jesus in the Eucharist.

HELP US TO REDUCE OUR COSTS:

Everyone is feeling the pinch. So let us all help the parish reduce costs by being conscious of the little everyday things we do without consciously thinking. In summer, we don't necessarily need lighting on in the church and porch area. Make sure that the toilet and parish hall lights are switched off after use. One of the important items, effective from this Sunday, is the reduction by half in the number of newsletters printed for mass. Please sign up to receive this electronic parish newsletter by email or look at the parish website for mass times.

A project I will be asking the Parish Council in due course is to have a look at obtaining a display board for outside the church to show up to date parish information and mass times, etc. This will hopefully help reduce the need for everyone to have a newsletter and reduce printing costs. Most of us have access to email and a mobile phone, but for those who don't, don't worry, there will still be some newsletters printed for you. More information and initiatives on reducing costs to follow in due course. These small changes will help make a difference.

SCRIPTURE, PRAYER AND STUDY GROUP (FORMERLY JOURNEY IN FAITH)
Held every other Wednesday. This group will continue again soon. Everyone is welcome to come along. We will continue reading through the Acts of the Apostles, Chapter 15 and also begin to read and reflect on Pope Leo's first encyclical letter, Magnifica Humanitas which was released last week.

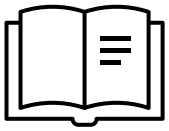
SIGN UP FOR THE PARISH E-NEWSLETTER:
Get the Parish Newsletter each week sent to you by email.
Subscribe here: https://forms.office.com/e/xLSV5WaKjp

PLANNED GIVING CAMPAIGN/ REGISTER WITH THE PARISH:
Thank you to everyone for completing the forms and returning them. If you have not yet done so, please consider filling out the Parish Census/Registration Form, which is now available electronically - https://forms.office.com/e/k0Q0HmFHWy.

JOHN HOBAN RIP:
Of your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of James Hoban, for his family and friends who mourn his passing. John's Funeral Mass will be celebrated here at SJV on Thursday 4th June at 12 Noon.

KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE IN CHURCH:
This is a polite notice to parents that if your child needs to go to the toilet, they must be accompanied by an adult, and please don't let your child wander around the church unaccompanied during mass.

FAMILY AND CHILDREN'S AREA:
The area at the back of the church, on the Parish Hall side, where there's a children's table and toys, could I ask you to be mindful that priority is given to parents with small children. Thank you.



APPEAL FOR SUNDAY MASS READERS:
Readers for the Liturgy of the Word are required for 6.00pm Saturday Vigil Mass and Sunday 9.30am. No experience necessary. Training can be provided. Please let us know if you can volunteer to read as part of the Sunday rota.

SJV SINGERS AND MUSICANS:
To support Saturday Vigil Mass 6.00pm and 9.30am Mass on a Sunday, please let Fr. Alex and Deacon Andy know if you can assist by planning hymns for masses, or playing a musical instrument. Your help is greatly appreciated.

VOLUNTEERS FOR CHILDREN'S LITURGY:
After starting at the Saturday Vigil, it would be good if more volunteers would come forward and assist with this important ministry to our young children and families. Again, no experience necessary.

BAPTISM REQUEST:
It is always wonderful to see parents bringing their children forward for baptism. If your child or relative needs to be baptised and lives in the parish, please ask Fr. Alex or Deacon Andy for a Baptism request form after one of the Sunday Masses.

SUPPORTING CATHOLIC EDUCATION –
BOARD MEMBERS FOR THE ST MICHAEL ARCHANGEL CMAT:
This is a unique opportunity to make a real impact on Catholic education. We are looking for passionate and skilled individuals to join the Board of Directors and help guide the strategic direction of the CMAT, working alongside the CEO Designate, Suzanne Horan, and a dedicated Executive Team. The CMAT will serve schools across South Birmingham, Solihull, Chelmsley Wood and Worcestershire, bringing together Emmaus, Lumen Christi and Our Lady & All Saints Multi-Academy Companies (MACs) and additional voluntary aided schools. Please see the attached recruitment pack for further details or contact Mark O'Connell: academies@bdes.org.uk.

NEW PAPAL ENCYCLICAL

RELEASE OF POPE LEO XIV'S FIRST ENCYCLICAL LETTER
'MAGNIFICA HUMANITAS'

ON SAFEGUARDING THE HUMAN PERSON
IN THE TIME OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

READ THE LETTER:
www.vatican.va/content/leo-xiv/en/encyclicals/documents/20260515-magnifica-humanitas.html

FROM THE CATHOLIC BISHOPS CONFERENCE:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=otEjNFhyifs&t=2s

STATEMENT OF
ARCHBISHOP RICHARD MOTH
ARCHBISHOP OF WESTMINISTER
PRESIDENT OF THE CATHOLIC BISHOPS CONFERENCE
FOR ENGLAIND AND WALES

President of the Bishops' Conference and Archbishop of Westminster, the Most Reverend Richard Moth, has welcomed the publication of Pope Leo XIV's first encyclical letter *Magnifica humanitas*.

"I welcome today's publication of Pope Leo's first encyclical: *Magnifica humanitas*, on preserving the human person in the age of artificial intelligence.

"One of the first interventions of Pope Leo since he was elected Pope was to draw attention to the profound challenges AI will bring to humanity. It is worth noting that Pope Leo signed the encyclical on 15 May, the 135th anniversary of the publication of Pope Leo XIII's encyclical *Rerum novarum*. This encyclical considered the social and economic effects of the industrial revolution and is considered the foundation of Catholic social teaching, promoting workers' rights and emphasising the rights and duties of both workers and owners. The Church's social teaching in the years since *Rerum novarum* contains a great deal to help us in our seeking of the common good.

"At every age, humanity lives with changes and the development of AI calls us to think about the opportunities and challenges it brings. We must respond to these, placing the centrality of humanity above all else, most especially the solidarity that is needed if we are to seek peace amongst peoples. We are made in the image of God and must never forget that we have a responsibility to one another, especially the most vulnerable. Pope Leo reminds us that 'more powerful does not necessarily mean better.'

"The technologies that have been created through human skill should be used at the service of truly human ends. Technology must not be used to embed unjust economic systems and abuses of power, but must always be at the service of human development.

"I commend the encyclical to all Catholics and people of good will as an important contribution to integral human development during a time of considerable change. It demands study and we look forward to further reflections in this area. Recognising the importance of maintaining and promoting the human in the face of the technological leap brought on by AI, the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales has set up a working group to study Pope Leo's Encyclical looking at the issues generated by AI, always putting the human at the centre."

SOURCE: Catholic Bishops Conference website

PARISH, DEANERY & DIOCESAN EVENTS

COVENTRY PHILHARMONIC CONCERT: On Saturday 13th June at 5.30pm, the Coventry Philharmonic Choir are returning for another concert at All Souls. Last year's concert was superb, and we hope to fill the church again for what is sure to be another excellent occasion, to include pieces by Brahms, Parry, Handel and Mozart. Tickets available from All Souls.

HARVINGTON HISTORY FESTIVAL: 22ND TO 26TH JULY
The Harvington History Festival in Worcestershire returns from 22–26 July with a fascinating programme of talks, tours, and events exploring history at Harvington Hall, the Archdiocese's historic moated manor house well known for its priest hides. For more information and to book, please visit: harvingtonhall.co.uk

WE BELIEVE FESTIVAL: FRIDAY 24TH TO MONDAY 27TH JULY 2026 Takes place at St. Mary's College Oscott, the diocesan seminary. It's an unmissable opportunity to discover the traditions and charisms that flow through the Church, to grow in authentic community, and to encounter the transforming love of God. To find out more: www.webelievefestival.com.

FOR OTHER DIOCESAN EVENTS:
www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/Pages/Events/Category/events

PRAYER INTENTIONS

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY:

Mary Harty, Maggie Duggan, Professor Judith Champ and John Hoban.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND OF THE PARISH AND OUR FAMILIES:

Terence Cassidy, Steve Ward, Peter Hughes, Sylvia Flynn, Laura Crowe, Jean Carver, Doreen Cadden and Elizabeth Herlihy.

MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTION OF THE HOLY FATHER:

JUNE 2026 - For the values of sports: Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter, and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity, and personal growth

PARISH PRAYER INTENTION:

JUNE 2026 - Heavenly Father, we ask you to send labourers into your harvest. Inspire, in the hearts of your people, vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life. Bless our families with a spirit of generosity, so that those whom you call have the courage to give themselves to your Church in faith. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER TO THE MOST HOLY TRINITY:

O Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, I adore You profoundly. I thank You for the gift of life, for the grace of salvation, and for the love that unites You eternally. Heavenly Father, source of all that is good, draw me closer to Your heart of mercy. Guide my steps, and help me to trust in Your providence. Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Living God, my Saviour and Redeemer, teach me to follow You more faithfully, to love as You loved, and to carry my cross with patience and hope. Holy Spirit, Giver of life and Consoler of hearts, come and dwell within me. Enlighten my mind, strengthen my will, and inflame my soul with the fire of Your love. O Blessed Trinity, one God in three Persons, may my life reflect Your unity, may my heart be filled with Your peace, and may I one day rejoice with You in eternal glory. Amen.