

**The Catholic Parishes of
ST JOHN VIANNEY
and OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION
Coventry**

NEWSLETTER

WELCOME to our Masses this weekend and a special welcome if you are joining us for the first time.

ST JOHN VIANNEY CATHOLIC CHURCH
1 BISHOPTON CLOSE, COVENTRY CV5 7GW
OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH
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CELEBRATIONS of the Sacraments of Baptism, Marriage and Reconciliation - PLEASE CONTACT FR DES.

BAPTISM dates at SJV and OLA Churches

SJV Sunday 11th May - **OLA** Sunday 18th May
SJV Sunday 8th June - **OLA** Sunday 15th June
SJV Sunday 13th July - **OLA** Sunday 20th July
SJV Sunday 14th September - **OLA** Sunday 21st September
SJV 12th October - **OLA** Sunday 19th October
SJV Sunday 9th November - **OLA** Sunday 16th November

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CATHOLIC SCHOOLS IN OUR PARISHES

ST JOHN VIANNEY PRIMARY SCHOOL
02476 464088 Headteacher: Mrs Veronica Gosling
OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION PRIMARY SCHOOL
02476 466655 Headteacher: Mrs Rachel Askew
BISHOP ULLATHORNE CATHOLIC SCHOOL
02476 414515 Headteacher: Mrs Sarah Boyle

WEBSITES:

SJV - www.st-john-vianney.org.uk
OLA - www.ola-cov.org.uk
ARCHDIOCESE - www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk
COVENTRY DEANERY WEBSITE - www.coventry-catholicdeanery.org.uk

SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVE - SJV and OLA

Tricia Towner - sg.stjohnvianney.covty@rcaob.org.uk

SAFEGUARDING: Our Parishes operate in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese's policies and procedures at all times. Our Parishes' Representative is **Tricia Towner** or contact the Diocesan Safeguarding Team on 0121 230 6240 or safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns.



24/7 LIVE
STREAMING IN
BOTH CHURCHES -
Please see notices
in Churches.

**Have an Excellent Week – Filled
with Faith + Joy, Love + Peace. Do
Take Great Care.
Fr Des
12/04/2025 23.45PM**

12th / 13th April 2025

PALM SUNDAY

(YEAR C) (Mass Book p 184)

MASSES

TIMES

INTENTIONS

SATURDAY 12TH	OLA	4.30PM	Special Intention / People of the Parish (OLA)
	SJV	6.00PM	Jimmy Parslow RIP / People of the Parish (SJV)
PALM SUNDAY 13TH	SJV	9.30AM	Ann Doherty RIP
	OLA	11.00AM	Ellen Wynne RIP / John Paul Cassidy RIP
	OLA	6.00PM	STATIONS OF THE CROSS / BENEDICTION
Monday 14th	OLA	10.45AM	FUNERAL MASS KATHLEEN PATON RIP
	OLA	4.00PM	RECEPTION OF MARY (MAUREEN) BARTON RIP
Tuesday 15th	SJV	9.00AM	Kevin Shakespeare RIP / John O'Sullivan RIP
	OLA	10.30AM	FUNERAL MASS MARY (MAUREEN) BARTON RIP
	SJV	5.30PM	RECEPTION JOHN MARTIN RIP
Wednesday 16th	OLA	9.00AM	Richard (Dick) Windle RIP / Intentions Frances Hines
	SJV	10.30AM	FUNERAL MASS JOHN MARTIN RIP
MAUNDY THURSDAY 17th	OLA	6.00PM	People of the Parish (OLA) followed by watching at the Altar of Repose
	SJV	8.00PM	People of the Parish (SJV) followed by watching at the Altar of Repose
	OLA	10.00PM	Night Prayer
	SJV	11.45PM	Night Prayer
GOOD FRIDAY 18th	OLA	9.00AM	Morning Prayer
	SJV	10.00AM	Morning Prayer
	OLA	2.00PM	SOLEMN LITURGY of the Word, Veneration of the Cross & Holy Communion
	SJV	4.00PM	SOLEMN LITURGY of the Word, Veneration of the Cross & Holy Communion
	OLA	7.00PM	Stations of the Cross
	SJV	8.00PM	Stations of the Cross
HOLY SATURDAY and EASTER VIGIL 19TH	OLA	9.00AM	Morning Prayer
	SJV	10.00AM	Morning Prayer
	OLA	4.30PM	Intentions of Lansberry Family / Anthony Harris RIP / People of the Parish
	SJV	6.30PM	Simon Rutledge RIP / Margaret & Jack Ames RIP / People of the Parish
EASTER SUNDAY 20TH	SJV	9.30AM	Richard Mooney RIP / Seamus & Bernadette Whelan RIP
	OLA	11.00AM	Bill Wynne RIP / Intentions Bridget & Chris Cassey / Special Intentions (SC)

APRIL 2025 CANDLES – YOUR INTENTIONS

[Donations £5.00 - Thank you!]

The Altar Sanctuary Lamp:

SJV

OLA MARY FOSTER

Our Lady's Shrine:

SJV

OLA

Sacred Heart Shrine:

SJV

OLA

Please remember in your prayers all who have died recently, especially Richard (Dick) Windle, Barney Gallen, Margaret Owen, Mary (Maureen) Barton, Ilse Bermel, Michael Meech, Kathleen Paton, Kevin Shakespeare, Anthony Harris and all those who have died because of violence, terrorism, and tragedy and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time. ETERNAL PEACE AND HAPPINESS, GRANT TO THEM, O LORD. We remember in prayer Families and Friends who miss the presence of someone they love. May they be reassured always of the Lord's Love.

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS for 5th / 6th April

<u>SJV</u>	GIFT AID [Envelopes] [15]	£109.20	
	LOOSE	£268.11	TOTAL £377.31
<u>OLA</u>	GIFT AID [Envelopes] [21]	£219.30	
	LOOSE	£252.33	TOTAL £471.63
<u>SJV</u>	2 nd Collection for Easter Flowers	£168.50	
<u>OLA</u>	2 nd Collection for Easter Flowers	£195.50	

Thank you for your continued financial support for both of our parishes.

Easter 2nd Collections:

GOOD FRIDAY - HOLY PLACES

EASTER SUNDAY – PRIESTS EASTER OFFERING

These Parishes are part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham (Registered Charity Number 234216).

ST JOHN VIANNEY

<u>Sunday Tea/</u>	13 th April - Maureen
<u>Coffee Rota:</u>	20 th April – Teresa & Verne
	27 th April – Kath Kennedy
	4 th May - Louise
<u>Craft + Chat:</u>	1st Tuesday of the Month
	1.30pm-3.30pm Parish Hall.
<u>Over 60's Exercise:</u>	Wednesdays 10.00am-11.00am.

OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION

<u>Children's Liturgy:</u>	11.00am Mass.
<u>Sunday Tea/Coffee:</u>	After Mass - Joan Clarke room.
<u>Craft/Computer Club:</u>	None this week.
<u>Divine Mercy Novena:</u>	Thursdays at 11am.
<u>Lunch Club:</u>	None this week.
<u>Church Cleaning:</u>	2 nd & 4 th Thursdays of each month. Volunteers needed!

ITEMS OF INTEREST

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP MEETINGS: St Osburg's, 7pm to 9pm. Next meeting 13th May. To find out more please email Fr Benedict fr.benedict.skipper@rcaob.org.uk.

CHARIS: Corpus Christi Church every 4th Friday of the month 6.00pm-8.00pm.

THANKSGIVING MASS FOR MARRIAGE: **Saturday 3rd May, at 12noon**, at St Chad's Cathedral. Celebrated by Bishop Richard Walker.

PRAYER FOR LIFE: Candlelight Prayer vigil for Life organised by March for Life UK **on Sunday 27th April at 7pm**. Held in Victoria Square, Birmingham to remember the 57th anniversary of the implementation of the Abortion Act. Join this peaceful, prayerful time of reflection No need to bring posters or candles. For more info go to marchforlife.co.uk.

OSCOTT COLLEGE: Find out more about the Diocesan Seminary in Sutton Coldfield by signing up to their newsletter at www.oscott.org. It takes less than a minute to sign up and those who do will receive a monthly newsletter as well as early access to the annual 'Oscotian Magazine' and events hosted at the college.

RELICS OF THE ULMA FAMILY: It is hoped to have the relics in Christ the King Church when they visit Coventry in May. The Ulma Family were a Polish family who hid Jewish families. When it was discovered, all the family, including an unborn child, were murdered. They have been recognised by the Jewish state and beatified by the late Pope Benedict. The Polish Church are also organising some events and we will let you know further details.

OTHER PARISH NEWS

GOOD FRIDAY: A day of fasting and abstinence – a meatless day for everyone over the age of 14 years.

WALK OF WITNESS: The Churches of Tile Hill and Eastern Green come together once again this year for the Walk of Witness. Our Parishes together with St Oswald's will meet on the green at Nixon Road at **11.00am** and will process up Bushbery Avenue to be joined by Limbrick Wood Baptist Church before congregating on the green outside St Oswald's for an ecumenical service at **12 noon**. You are welcome to join the procession at any point.

TERMINALLY ILL ADULTS (END OF LIFE) BILL: Please take a card from the back of Church, fill it out and send to our MP, who is **Taiwo Owatemi**.

SJV GIFT AID: If anyone wishes their Offertory contribution to be Gift Aided, please be good enough to take a *Gift Aid Declaration Form* from the back of Church, complete it and place in the office box by the Church entrance. Thank you!

FOODBANK: Thank you to all those volunteers helping with our Parish Foodbank and all those who support so generously with donations. This Easter we have been able to provide the foodbank with numerous Easter Eggs and Easter cakes. The Foodbank have asked if people are looking for items to donate they are currently running short of noodles (i.e pot noodles, super noodles etc items that just require hot water to be added to make a meal). Thank you to everyone.

Keep your heart free from hate, your mind from worry. Live simply, expect little, give much. Fill your life with love. Scatter sunshine. Forget self, think of others. Do as you would be done by.

Norman Vincent Peale 1898-1993