

**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

PARISH SECRETARIES

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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
04/05/2025 23.45PM**

The Parishes of SJV and OLA are part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham (Registered Charity Number 234216).

3rd / 4th May 2025

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER (YEAR C)

FEAST

(Mass Book p 259)

<u>MASSES</u>		<u>TIMES</u>	<u>INTENTIONS</u>	
SATURDAY 3RD	OLA	4.30PM	Intentions Paul and Carolyn Williams / Sheila Kayes RIP Basil Denniss RIP / Anthony Harris RIP	
	SJV	6.00PM	Pope Francis RIP / Intentions Michael Berryman	
SUNDAY 4TH	SJV	9.30AM	Pope Francis RIP / People of the Parish (SJV)	
	OLA	11.00AM	Intentions Maurice Wolfe, Eleanor and Baby Kevin Shakespeare RIP / Norman Stretton RIP People of the Parish	
Monday 5th			NO MASS	
Tuesday 6th	SJV	9.00AM	Siobhán O'Keeffe RIP / Teresa Gallagher RIP Mick O'Keeffe RIP / Mary O'Keeffe	English Martyrs
Wednesday 7th	OLA	9.00AM	Special Intention	
Thursday 8th	OLA	12.00PM	Michael Ruddy RIP	
Friday 9th	SJV	9.00AM	Years 1, 5 & 6 Intention Joe Doyle / Yvonne Trickett RIP / Vi Ely RIP	
SATURDAY 10TH	SJV	11.00AM	FIRST HOLY COMMUNION	
	OLA	4.30PM	Joan Welch RIP / Charlie McGuigan RIP	
	SJV	6.00PM	Intentions Sonia Robinson / Tom and Eileen Monaghan RIP	
4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER 11TH	SJV	9.30AM	Intentions July Walton / Kath Chambers RIP People of the Parish (SJV)	
World Day of Prayer for Vocations	OLA	11.00AM	Intentions Trill Family / People of the Parish (OLA)	
	SJV	12.30PM	BAPTISM – LENNIE DOHERTY	

MAY 2025 CANDLES – YOUR INTENTIONS

[Donations £5.00 - Thank you!]

The Altar Sanctuary Lamp:

SJV OLA

Our Lady's Shrine:

SJV OLA

Sacred Heart Shrine:

SJV OLA

Please remember in your prayers all who have died recently, especially People Francis, Elaine and Graham Wynne, George Kell, *whose Funeral Mass will take place at OLA on Monday 12th May at 12.30pm*, John Martin, Barney Gallen, Maureen Barton, 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 26th / 27th April

<u>SJV</u>	GIFT AID [Envelopes] [16]	£157.95	
	LOOSE	£327.04	TOTAL £484.99

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS for 19th /20th April

<u>OLA</u>	GIFT AID [Envelopes] [9]	£39.94	TOTAL £39.94
Good Friday 2nd Collection for Holy Places		£194.72	

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS for 26th / 27th April

<u>OLA</u>	GIFT AID [Envelopes] [18]	£165.08	
	LOOSE	£259.77	TOTAL £424.85
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Donation in memory of Kathleen Paton		£155.00	

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

Next Weekend 2nd Collection – Clergy Training Fund

ST JOHN VIANNEY

<u>Sunday Tea/</u>	4 th May - Louise
<u>Coffee Rota:</u>	11 th May - Maureen
	18 th May – Teresa and Verne
	25 th May – Kath Kennedy
<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>	Wednesday 10.00am-12.30pm.
<u>Divine Mercy Novena:</u>	Thursdays at 11am.
<u>Lunch Club:</u>	Thursdays after 12noon Mass.
<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**.

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.

CATHOLIC MEDICAL ASSOCIATION – YOUTH: An exciting event on the topic of the Theology of the Body, aimed at healthcare workers and healthcare students. Taking place on **Saturday 10th May** in Birmingham. The event includes talks from the founders of the TOB network UK, Fr David Marsden SJ & Dr Christine Ward PhD. Details on how to purchase tickets are on the poster at the back of Church. Tickets can be purchased from Eventbrite.

ONE WOMAN'S CONFERENCE 25: Theme 'One Voice' – see poster at the back of Church.

PARISH NEWS

POPE FRANCIS RIP -

We pray for Pope Francis and give thanks for his dedicated life in service to the Church.

Prayer Cards available at the back of Church.

Dear Friends and Parishioners

I wish you all a very happy and blessed Eastertime. The Resurrection is a guarantee that we too shall rise with Christ one day. We praise and thank God for his love and gifts to us, especially the gift of his Son, Jesus. We are called to be a people of joy, a people of hope, a people of love.

EASTER RAFFLE: Thank you to all those who supported the Easter Raffle in aid of Marys Meals. A magnificent **£113.00** was raised.

OLA NURSERY: Open Day on **Saturday 10th May 10.15am-11.30am**. Spaces available from September 2025 for children aged 3 and over.

TERMINALLY ILL ADULTS (END OF LIFE) BILL: Please take a card, fill it out and send to our MP, **Taiwo Owatemi** (Woodlands Ward) or **Zarah Sultana** (Westwood Ward)

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.

DIARY DATES:

OLA - 6.00pm 7th May First Holy Communion Parents Meeting.

SJV - 11.00am Saturday 10th May First Holy Communion.

OLA - 12noon Saturday 17th May First Holy Communion.

May Jesus, the Risen Lord, who redeemed us all from sin by dying on the Cross and opened for us the path to the eternal life, embrace us and hold us in his loving arms.