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Holy Mass Year C. Psalter Week 3 Sat 22nd 6:00pm Marian Musial RIP (ann) Sun 23rd 9:15am Gracy Zacharias RIP - Concetta Di Cecilia Children's Liturgy begins in the Hall before Mass Refreshments in the Hall after 9:15am Mass Sun 23rd 11:00am Eugene & Sonny Moore RIP 5:00pm Stations of the Cross Weekdays Holy Rosary: 9:05am led by parishioners Mon 24th 9:30am Sr Rose Ita RIP Tue 25th 9:30am Bernadette Nolan RIP Annunciation of the Lord 25th 9:30am First Confessions Wed 26th 9:30am Anne Curtin RIP Thu 27th 9:30am Francesco Ziccardi 8-9pm Holy Hour 28th 9:30am Thomas Hanlon RIP (bday ann) Fri 6:00pm Stations of the Cross Sat 29th 9:30am

Sat 10.00 Exposition of the blessed sacrament & confessions:

\* Mass intentions envelopes and Mass cards at the Piety Shop.

Let us Pray to the Lord

For the sick:

Theresa Devaney, Marie Lewis, Mary Browner, David Marsh, Kirsty Kalnins, Codey Darlison, Cynthia Mallabone, David Reeves, Joan Hanlon, Margaret Berkmire, Liz Lloyd, Mary Furlong, Illeana Goodman, Jim Jarvis, Mick Diskin, Martin Reed, Alice Guiney, Abi Glenn, Mick Broadaway, Carol Wright, Caelan Shannon & Swaren Baden.

For all those in hospital and parishioners who receive the Blessed Sacrament at home.

For the recently departed: Carmel Cauchi

### Anniversaries week beginning : 23rd March 2025

Margaret Marshall, Hannah Mallabone, Derrick Banbury, Lewis Haddon, Janet Spurrier-Finnesey, Joe Monaghan, Ludwik Muzyka, Enoch Dawes, George Murray, Paulette Jones, Joseph Dyer, Dennis Willars, Antonio Di Girolamo, Karol Czartowski, Rofal Papiers, Ethel Muzyka, Luke Igoe, Ashley Rudkin, Margaret Wigglesworth, William Maher, Edna Guthrie, Margaret Palladino, May Walkden, Kathleen Duffy, Edith Justice & Brigid Sturgess. *Clergy Anniversaries:* 

Deacon John Higgins, Deacon Louis Livesey, Bishop David McGough, Bishop Humphrey Bright, Rev John Donnelly, Rev John McManus, Mgr Henry Davis & Mgr Canon John Welch.

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23rd March 2025

### I THANK YOU FOR THE WONDER OF MY BEING

I remember as a young boy in year three walking with our class teacher through the bushes to learn about nature. We learned about many creatures; insects, birds and animals. Some were living a solitary life, others lived in small groups, while others lived in huge colonies where number did not count. Those creatures which lived in groups or in a kind of family life, went out as a group to find food, and when one member found it somewhere, he/she alerted others who went and joined in the feast. Creatures that lived individual isolated life found life difficult because apart from finding food by themselves, they were easily targeted by predators since there was no safety in numbers.

On returning from field study with our class teacher, we were surprised that she seemed to have forgotten all that we had seen and heard, instead she went on to talk to us about how important family life and living together within the confines of family spirit was so important. "Without the family", she said, "human beings cannot survive."

This weekend we celebrate the Jubilee for the Family. We are called upon to recognise that the family we belong to is God's gift to us for our wellbeing in this world. Family life offers numerous advantages, including fostering stronger relationships, providing emotional support, and sharing responsibilities, while promoting a sense of belonging and security.

Human beings are social creatures, they cannot survive without family support. They are 100% the poorest scorers in the ranks of survival without support. On African Savanna, while the wildebeest newborn calves can stand within an average of six minutes from birth and walk within thirty minutes; and outrun a hyena within a day, the baby antelope is also able to stand within minutes and run with the rest of their herd in less than two hours! Human beings are very different. Babies typically start walking independently between 12 and 15 months, but some may start as early as 9 months or as late as 18 months. Until that time, the baby is entirely dependent on the family, the mother in particular.

In this Jubilee year, for us to celebrate family life and to pray for our families, becomes a duty recognising that without our families, we would not be the kind of persons we are today. It is from our families that we have learnt to develop stronger family bonds, where we receive emotional support, where we learn social skills such as caring, sharing, cooperation. The family has helped us to learn how to navigate challenges and build resilience.

Celebrating our families today, senior members are challenged to become good role models. Children learn valuable life lessons and values by observing the behaviour and interactions of their senior family members. Therefore, if the elder members within the family do not give good example to the young, you should not expect to have exemplary children either.

I ask you not to cease offering valuable guidance and advice, particularly in areas where younger members may need support. Do not dismiss the questions that children ask you as stupid questions. Above all you should feel proud as a parent to bring up your child and to see him or her eating a piece of bread in your presence which you have worked for with your own hands. Taking a child into social care is not an ideal. I wish you peace in your families, may God bless you through your children, and may your children find their blessing through you.

Fr. Jimmy Lutwama AJ Parish Priest .



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#### The Parish Team:

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Schools: Our Lady and St Josephs School TEL: 024 76383807 St Thomas More Catholic Academy & Sixth Form College Tel: 024 76642400

SAFEGUARDING: The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our parish Safeguarding Representative: Christine Scullion sg.oloangels.nuneaton@rcaob.org.uk Alternatively if you have any concerns please contact the Diocesan Safeguarding team 0121 230 6240 email <u>safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk</u>.

# FINANCE: Second Collection: 23rd March Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham

Parish Finances week beginning 16/3/24ManyCOLLECTION:£931.01 of which Gift Aid£329.20FABRIC FUND:£304.00 of which Gift Aid:£304.00MAR Tap & Go:£550.00 of which Gift Aid:£293.00MARCH STANDING ORDER:£1836.67CAFOD Fast Day:£352.35 SOUP Lunch:£243.00 CAKE Sale:KarterKarterCOLLECTION:£293.00CAFOD Fast Day:£352.35 SOUP Lunch:CAFOD Fast Day:£35

Sunday 16/17 March Mass attendance 703Scan QR CodeGift Aid it! - to add 25% to the value of your donation contact the parish office!

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Mon - Mar 24th	Meditation 7:30pm
Tue - Mar 25th	4-5pm Holy Communion class
Tue - Mar 25th	7:30pm RCIA
Wed - Mar 26th	Bible Class after morning Mass
Wed - Mar 26th	Bible Study 7:30pm
Thu - Mar 21st	Craft Group 12:30pm
Tue - Apr 1/15th	Seniors after Mass
Wed - Apr 16th	Coffee morning after Mass

### MATTERS OF IMPORTANCE:

**Easter Flowers:** if you would like to dedicate an Easter flower, please enclose £3 per flower in an envelope clearly marked 'Easter Flowers with the name of the person written on it that you wish to be remembered. Names will be recorded in the Easter book of Remembrance that will remain in church during the Easter Octave. Envelopes can be handed to Anne McAteer or Jean Skidmore or through the presbytery letterbox.

We Believe, 25th-28th July 2025, a festival of Catholic Life celebrating the Jubilee Year of Hope, with parishes and families in mind. Four days of music, keynotes, conversation & worship, in the beautiful surroundings of St Mary's College, Oscott, Sutton Coldfield. Featuring Dr Gianna Emanuela Molla (daughter of St Gianna Molla), Fr Paul Murray, Mgr Michael Nazir-Ali, AnMari, Fr Toby Lees & many more. Pilgrimattendees can choose to come for the whole weekend (camping, staying locally or coming from home) at an adult Early Bird rate of £70, or for a day for £40. Early Bird Tickets available now at www.webelievefestival.com

**GIFT AID Envelopes:** will be available to collect before and after Masses from Saturday 21st and Sunday 22nd March in the parish hall.

### HOLY WEEK & EASTER PROGRAM - 2025

Palm Sun 9:15am/11:00am Blessing of Palms followed by procession

**Holy Thurs 17th** 7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper Recommissioning of Extra-ordinary Ministers. Silent Adoration until 10:00pm

Good Friday 2:30pm Stations of the Cross

3:00pm Celebration of the Passion of our Lord.

Holy Saturday 8:00pm Easter Vigil Mass

Sunday 9:15am Easter Sunday Mass

11:00am Easter Sunday Mass

Easter Monday 10:00am Mass. Other parishes

Sunday 27th 2:00pm Divine Mercy prayers at St. Mary's Church Coventry.

3:45pm Holy Mass

### JUBILEE PROGRAM

Our Lady of the Angels Parish Jubilee Year Program: is out. I ask you to look at it and start to act on it. The next time we shall have another Jubilee in the Church will be in 2050, therefore it is important that we celebrate this event.

1. Jubilee for families: Sunday 23/03/25 2. Jubilee for medics and care workers 6/04/25

3. Vocations & May Procession 11/05/25 4. Pentecost (shared table) Sunday 8/06/25

**5**. Youth Jubilee Sunday 6/07/25 **6**. Jubilee Fellowship group Sunday 3/08/25

7. Family Thanksgiving Day (Shared Table 31/08/25)

8. Teachers and educators 1/09/ 25.

9. Choir, Lectors & Extraordinary Ministers of H. Communion Sunday 5/ 10/ 25.

10 Parish Volunteers get together High Tee 23/ 10/25 (Bless Pets at 2:30pm).

11. Parish Senior members Jubilee 2/11/25.

**12** Christmas Fayre 30/11/25 from 10:30am-2:30pm