

THE BLESSING OF THE CRIB: This Sunday at 4pm, with the Catholics in Coventry Canon Garry Byrne will bless the Crib in the same place as last year, in Smithford Way near the Library. The Crib has been made and erected by the Catholic Parishes of Coventry and children from our Catholic Schools will be leading the Carols. This is our opportunity to witness to the meaning of Christmas. Please come along.

CONGRATULATIONS to all new Candidates who have received Confirmation last Sunday. We continue to pray with them and for them. May the Holy Spirit, who poured out his gifts upon the Apostles at the beginning of the Church, continue to pour his gifts upon them, to lead them and to protect them on their journey of faith so that they may fulfil their role as Jesus' witnesses among others.

WALK WITH ME BOOKLET and CALENDAR for ADVENT & CHRISTMASTIDE: If you haven't got them from last Sunday, please collect them from the table at the back of Church so that you may join with the diocesan prayers during this Advent.

NEW MISSAL LEAFLETS: In order to help us to involve into Mass, from the 1st Sunday of Advent we have 300 new missal leaflets at the back of Church. Please take one with you when you enter into Church and return it back when you leave Church. There is also a Walk with Me prayer & prayer for Vocations, please take it with you so that we may together join our prayers with the Diocese to pray for what we need.

WORLD POVERTY: A big thank you to everyone who supported our Parish Sponsored Walk this year. Our total came to £2110.00. Well done.

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE TICKETS & PRIZES: The Christmas draw will take place at the Christmas Bazaar to raise funds for our New Parish Hall. Thanks to those who donated the prizes for the draw. Please return your counterfoils via the sacristy. **If you cannot sell any more tickets, please return the unsold draw tickets as someone else may be able to sell them.** Thank you for your support.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR: It will take place this Saturday 3rd Dec. from 1-3pm in the School Hall. It will be a chance to bring our parishioners together and to raise funds for the Parish. **For anyone who would like to be involved in this event, there will be a meeting this Tuesday 29 November at 7.30pm to prepare for it; please come along.** We would love donations of bottles, jams, chutney, bric-a-brac and toiletries to place on the stalls. Sales helpers and budding bakers are all welcome. For the hoopla and other game challenge stalls, small prizes for kids and adults would be great. Fresh cakes can be left at the school hall on the day from 10:00am. The bazaar will be an opportunity to make new friends and catch up over a tea, coffee or a warming Irish coffee in our cafe with a delicious slice of cake. Please contact Joanne on 02476 460981 for more details.

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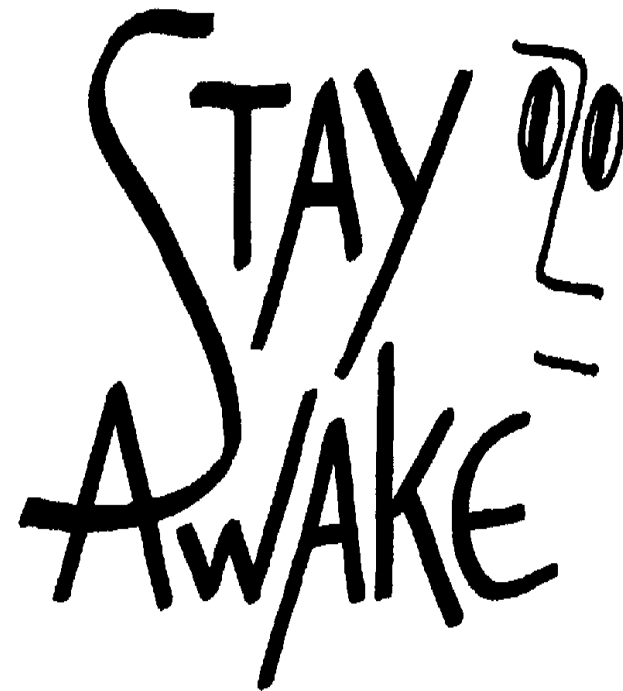
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Fr. Louis Le Van Hong, Parish Priest.

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT YEAR B

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Reading Year B Parish Mass Book (Separated sheet) Psalter 1
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Sunday 27th November 2011

A hand-drawn graphic in black ink. The words "STAY AWAKE" are written in a large, bold, slightly irregular font. To the right of the text is a simple profile of a person's head, facing right, with a large eye and a small mouth. The overall style is minimalist and expressive.

"Stay awake, because you do not know when the master of the house is coming." (Mk.13:35)

Dear parishioners, the New Church Year begins with Evening Prayer I of the 1st Sunday of Advent. Advent is a time to prepare for Christmas and a time of watchfulness. Formerly the Jews prepared for Jesus' 1st Coming during their long Advent for many centuries. In response, God sent Jesus Christ as the Messiah to save them. Nowadays, God also wants to visit us and to give us his grace so that we may know how to prepare for Jesus' 2nd Coming. We are waiting for the final coming of Christ at the end of time and for his coming to us at the time of our death. Both times are hidden from us, therefore we should maintain a status of watchfulness and to stay awake as Jesus call us in today's gospel, so that we are ready to meet the Lord at any moment. What should we do for this Advent?

Mass times and Intentions:

Saturday	26th	05.00pm	Jane & Sarah Murray - R.I.P.
Sunday	27th	09.00am	Nellie Hannon - R.I.P.
		11.00am	Brian McDermott & Terry Bennett - Ann.
		12.30pm	Baptism of <i>Ryley Peter McAulay</i>
		04.00pm	Novena for the Holy Souls & Benediction.
Monday	28th	09.00am	Mary White - R.I.P.
Tuesday	29th	09.00am	Margaret Burgess - R.I.P.
Wednesday	30th	09.00am	Eucharistic Service.
Thursday	01st	12.00pm	A.K. Special Intentions
1st Friday	02nd	09.00am	Thanksgiving for Joe learning to talk.
Saturday	03rd	10.00am	Deceased members of Lawless' family.
		05.00pm	Seamus Noone - R.I.P.
Sunday	04th		2nd Sunday of Advent
		09.00am	James Brady R.I.P. / Isabel Frawley- Ann.
		11.00am	John Costelloe - Ann.

CONFESSIONS	Saturday	After morning Mass & evening Mass.	
BAPTISM & WEDDINGS:		By appointment.	
E. MINISTERS	Saturday	05.00pm	A. Tourville / J. Cassidy.
3rd & 4th Dec.	Sunday	09.00am	J. Lee / O. McGinity.
		11.00am	M. O'Brien / C. Ali
READERS	Saturday	05.00pm	H. Pawsey.
3rd & 4th Dec.	Sunday	09.00am	A. Lee.
		11.00am	C. Knox.

LAST WEEK OFFERTORY: £575.38
YOUTH SERVICE: £145.37. *Thank you for your generosity.*
SAINTS DAYS: Wednesday: Feast of St. Andrew Apostle, Patron of Scotland.

Thursday: Feast of St. Edmund Champion P.M.
 Saturday: Memorial of St. Francis Xavier.

CLEANING ROTA for Wednesday 30th November Parish Team.
COUNTING TEAM next Sunday 4th December Team 5 The Lees' Team.
CHILDREN'S LITURGY THIS SUNDAY.

TEA & COFFEE IN THE SMALL PARISH HALL after 11.00am Mass. All welcome.

RCIA (Journey of Faith): Every Monday Evening at 7.30pm.

CATECHISM: Every Sat. from 11.00am to 12.00am: First Holy Communion and from 3.45pm to 4.45pm: Confirmation for children attending Non-Catholic school.

GOSPEL SHARE: Every Thursday at 7.30pm in the Parish room.

LET US PRAY FOR OUR SICK AND ELDERLY: Kathleen Whelan, Anna Nguyen thi Chieu, Elsie Whitehead, Maureen Tault, Bridie Ryan, Peggy Brady, Bill Hardy, Bridie McConnell, Una Ruddy, Jim O'Brien, Sarah Fitzpatrick, Mary Hewson, Elsie Robins, Maureen Daly, Phyllis Loughran, Peggie O'Connell, Kathleen Malinovskis, Garry Williamson, Mary Bruggy, Irene Costelloe, Mary Hayes, Shamus O'Brien, Winnie McGrath, Mavis Booth, Keith Evans, Denis Hayes, Bridie Tomlin, Madeline Huntbach, Christine Want, Bernie Hegarty, Maureen Weir, Clair Hynes, Bridie Cooke, Jerry Elford, Edith Jonins, Margaret Quinn, Phyllis Sage, Maureen Gannon, Michael O'Brien, Noreen McCarthy, Dorothy McCarty, Elizabeth Traynor, Marina (Rene) Harbin, May Gillon, Christina Di Maria, Kathleen Cashman and John Cashman.

ANNIVERSARIES: Mary Agnes McCabe, Richard O'Dea, Joseph Rose, Julia Mary Gately, Phyllis M. Edwards, Edward Shanley, Mick Collins, Jan Zyntex, Terry Bennett, Kathleen Hegarty, Lisa Grant, Michael Sullivan, Frank Lee Carpenter, Thomas W. Colmer, John Francis D. Costelloe.

CONGRATULATIONS to Andrew McAulay & Rebecca Lauren O'Brien, parents of **Ryley Peter McAulay**, who will be baptised this Sunday, 27th November at 12.30pm.

CHRISTMAS PARTY FOR SENIOR CITIZENS: Our famous party will be held on Sunday 11th Dec. from 3-5pm in the Parish Hall. All elderly parishioners are very welcome. There is a list at the back of Church, where you can put your name. If you want a lift please clearly write your address and phone number. There is also a list of food and drink, please put your name if you can donate any of them. There will be delicious food, great entertainment and Christmas gifts for all. Please contact Michelle Keogh on 024 76461386 for more details.

BLESSING OF THE CHRISTMAS TREE AND ADVENT WREATHS: At 11am on Monday 28th Nov. Fr. Louis will be in school to bless our Christmas Tree and the Advent Wreaths. Please join us as we start our Advent journey towards Christ.