

Sacred Heart Parish Newsletter.

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Dear Parishioners,

In a remarkable book entitled *The Spirituality of Imperfection* the following story can be found:

"Around the end of the nineteenth century, a tourist from the United States visited the famous Polish rabbi Hafez Hayyim.

He was astonished to see that the rabbi's home was just a simple room filled with books. The only furniture was a table and a bench.

"Rabbi, where is your furniture?" asked the tourist.

"Where is yours?" replied Hafez.

"Mine? But I'm only a visitor here."

"So am I," said the rabbi.

The prophet Jerimiah lived in troubled times with the powerful nations of his day fighting for supremacy and the people of Israel caught up in all of this and facing defeat after defeat. And Jerimiah himself is having a hard time: constantly being attacked for proclaiming God's message in all the upheavals of his times he, too, must have felt like a visitor with no certainty ahead of him.

But Jerimiah had committed his cause to God and he believes. Believes that in spite of all the chaos surrounding him, God will not let him down. And God doesn't.

Sometimes our world of today and our own lives can also be caught up in fear and worry and it is into our hearts today that Jesus says to us *"do not be afraid"* Let's commit our cause to the Lord, like Jerimiah, and realise as he did that God never abandons us.

Last weekend the CTS Bookstall opened and I hope you will take advantage of it. There is a good cross-section of books covering many aspects of our Faith - and in the Gospel the Lord tells us that

it's through us that his word will spread, and reading as much as we can about our faith can only help us to spread that word more effectively.

Every Thursday we are showing a series of DVD's explaining the Mass at 7.30pm in the Hall. Why not come along and bring a friend?

During the summer not all of you will be able to go away for a holiday, and so what do you think of the idea of having a Parish barbecue after the 10.30am Mass one Sunday (weather always permitting!) - it could be great fun and way of helping us to socialise. And...would you volunteer to help?

God bless,

Fr. Tony.

22nd June, 2008. 12th Sunday of the Year (A.)

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Saturday: 5.00pm Ernie and Veronica Mills, R.I.P.
Sunday: 9.00am Thomas Ruddy, R.I.P.
10.30am For all the people of the Parish.

Monday: 9.00am Joe, Mary and Ann Cregan.

Wednesday: 5.45pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
6.30pm Fiona Kavanagh, R.I.P.

Thursday: 9.00am John and Danny Murphy, R.I.P.

Friday 9.00am Kathleen Barry, R.I.P.

St. Irenaeus.

Saturday: 8.15am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
9.00am Special Intention.

29th June, 2008. Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul. (A.)

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Saturday: 5.00pm Patrick Heneghan, R.I.P.
Sunday: 9.00am For all the people of the Parish.
10.30am Peg McGrath, R.I.P.

Confessions: Saturday 9.30 - 10.00am and 4.30 - 4.50pm

Prayer Group: meets on 24th June 7.30pm in the house.

Baptism Preparation Evening Tuesday 1st July 7.30pm

Sacred Heart Youth Group meets again on Tuesday 24th June.

The Sunday Group continues to meet on Sunday evenings.

Last week's Offertory: £1,064.55 [Gift-Aid envelopes: £190.69 Non Gift-Aid: £642.60 Bank Credits: £231.26] Collection for Our Dream (at the Saturday evening Mass): £428.06 making the total for last weekend's collection for Our Dream: £863.94 Thank you very much. **Next weekend** we have the annual Collection for Peter's Pence. **Counters this week: Team C.**

7-day candles:
(21st- 28th June.)

Sacred Heart: Coleman Family.

Our Lady: Jim Ward; Joe Gregory.

Please remember in your prayers Bernard McGrath, Breda Murray, Jim Ward, Dorival Guimares Junior, Brige Sutton, Anne Whale, Kay Corcoran, Eunan MacIntyre, Tom Nee, Tess Whatley, Edith Beaudout, Bridie McAndrew, Sheila Clancy, and all who are sick, and for the repose of the souls of James Larkin, Gladys Moore and all who have left this world.



Do you need a lift to Mass, or know anyone who does? Please give John Kelly a ring on 7644-5020.

Our Parish Prayer

Send forth your Spirit, O Lord and rebuild the face of our parish. Renew what is weary and worn; restore what is old and stale; reclaim what has been lost. Fill us with your gifts; gifts to speak, gifts to love, gifts to heal, gifts to bind up broken hearts and rebuild your people

"Hearts & Rainbows" Parent/Carer & Toddler Group meet on Tuesdays from 10.00am - 11.30am.

[RE:ACT] Catholic Youth Festival at Oscott College from 27th-29th June. Please see poster. For more information and a booking form go to www.bcys.co.uk or call 01675 466 912.

Rosary Rally at Grace Dieu Manor, Leicestershire on Sunday, 17th August. See poster for details.

Books Sale raised a magnificent £65.00. Many thanks for all the hard work.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Hednesford. Sunday 6th July, led by Bishop David McGough. Please see poster for details.

**COACH TO
ANDREW McCANN's ORDINATION TO
THE PRIESTHOOD**

Please pay your coach fares at the paper stall **this weekend.** Cost: Adults £6 children £2. There are still some seats left.

Deacon Bob Devaney is to be ordained to the priesthood on Saturday July 12th at St Chad's Cathedral. Please keep them both in your prayers.



Not to be missed! The next quiz night is on July 11th starting at 7.30pm Any donations of prizes for the raffle will be greatly appreciated.

Coventry Irish Society offers many services to all generations of the Irish community in Coventry. Please see notice board for details.

Baptisms. If you would like to arrange a baptism for your child please see the Baptism team in the Hall after the 10.30am Mass any Sunday.

Photos of the Coprus Christi Procession last Sunday are available to view on the Deanery Website (Link from Parish Website.)

Fr Dominic Kavanagh who was ordained in Sacred Heart is celebrating his Silver Jubilee this year. He will be coming to say the 10.30am Mass for us on Sunday July 20th.

Cardinal Wiseman Open Day on Wednesday 2nd July. Please see poster/website for details. Our parents and grandparents sacrificed so much for us to have Catholic Schools and I do hope you will support.

Pope Benedict in speaking of the importance of the Apostle Paul announced that this year which is dedicated to him will focus on ecumenism. In Coventry we will be celebrating the Pauline Year with an Ecumenical Service on Saturday 5th July at 3.00pm. It will be lead by Fr Moses and Canon Jim Canning at St Paul's Anglican Church, Foleshill Road.