

# Sacred Heart Parish

Weekly  
Newsletter

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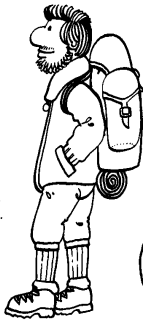
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Dear Parishioners,

**THE SUNDAY MISSALS HAVE ARRIVED** together with some spares. They can be collected from the sacristy and will cost **£18.00** (the stated price is £19.95 but we have got some discount). From this Sunday I will also print in the Newsletter the page numbers for the Sunday Missals.

cred Heart at 10.30am for a 3 mile gentle walk by Hatton Locks ending with a cup of tea in a lovely cafe at the side of the locks (There are tables/chairs outside if we can't all fit in) We'd be back early afternoon. **Please sign the list in the porch if you want to go.**

God bless, *Fr. Tony*.



## Next Summer are you doing anything? Read on...

For centuries pilgrims have walked the Way of St James, the pilgrimage route to the Church at Santiago de Compostella where the relics of St James the apostle are kept. (As shown in the movie: The Way) And I'd like to have a go at walking part of that route. Would you

like to join me? At the end of Mass today there will be a brief talk and if you're interested **please come to the meeting this coming Friday 9th at 7.30pm in the Hall.** It's really important we know as early as possible who is interested because at the moment airline fares are very cheap—around £35 each way.

As you know, this year Christmas Day falls on a Sunday with Christmas Eve being on the Saturday. As an experiment this year I am going to put on an **extra Mass for Christmas at 5.00pm on Christmas Eve** and this is a Christmas Mass just like the Saturday evening fulfils the Sunday. It will be simple and quiet. At 8.30pm on Christmas Eve we have carols followed by Mass at 9.00pm as we do every year with the Folk Group kindly providing the music which they do so beautifully. Christmas day Morning is the same as previous years with Masses at 9.00am and the children's Mass at 10.30am. At the 10.30am Mass children bring with them a toy that Father Christmas has brought and these toys are blessed during Mass. **And a very special guest will be coming to visit us all at the end of 10.30am Mass!!**

**Would you like a walk on Boxing Day** to burn off some of those Christmas Day calories? Again, Fr Bob has kindly lent us his mini-bus. We leave Sa-

4th December, 2011. Second Sunday of Advent. (B)	
<i>Parish Mass Book, p28. Redemptorist Sunday Missal p21 Preface of Advent 1 p490. Eucharistic Prayer for Reconciliation II p 534.</i>	
Saturday 5.00pm	Bridie Williamson, R.I.P.
Sunday 9.00am	For all the people of the Parish.
Sunday 10.30am	Kevin McFadden 1st Anniversary. (McFadden family)
Monday 9.00am	<b>St. Birinus.</b> Sue Timothy, R.I.P. (Denise & Kathleen Casey)
Wednesday 5.45pm 6.30pm	<b>St. Ambrose.</b> <b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.</b> Special Intention (Pat Kirkwood)
Thursday 9.00am 6.30pm	<b>MASS WILL BE IN THE PARISH HALL TODAY</b> <b>Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception</b> Patrick & Richard Heneghan (M.W.) KS2 School Carol Service in the Church
Friday 9.00am	<b>MASS WILL BE IN THE PARISH HALL TODAY</b> <b>Friday is a day of Abstinence.</b> Maureen Dingley, R.I.P.
Saturday 8.15am 9.00am	<b>St. Francis Xavier.</b> <b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.</b> Joseph and Marie McInerney.
Confessions	Saturday 9.30—10.00am and 4.30—4.50pm.

11th December, 2011. Third Sunday of Advent. (B)	
<i>Parish Mass Book, p30. Redemptorist Sunday Missal p25 Preface of Advent 1 p490. Eucharistic Prayer III p475</i>	
Saturday 5.00pm	Ron Duffy, R.I.P.
Sunday 9.00am	Special Intention (N.
Sunday 10.30am	For all the people of the Parish.



An Induction Loop System is provided in the church to assist Hearing Aid Users. Please switch your Hearing Aid to 'T' position.



**BABY CHANGING UNIT**  
Provided in the Disabled Toilet.



Please switch off all mobile phones in Church. Thank you.

**Last week's Offertory:** £767.36 [Gift-Aid envelopes: £188.30 Non Gift-Aid: £347.80 Bank Credits: £231.26] 500 Club: 1st prize £200.00 No. 566 Rose Crowley. 2nd prize £40.00 No.841 M. O'Donoghue. Third prize needs to be redrawn this Saturday. Thank you all so much, especially in these difficult times. **This Weekend** we have the collection for the Poor Parishes of the Diocese and **next week-end** the December collection for Our Dream. After this there are no more second collections until next year

**Counters this week: Team A.**

**Church Cleaners: Team B.**

**The Christmas Bazaar** was a tremendous success. Thank you all so much for your support. We cleared £1,264.57 profit in the day itself, (the best result ever!) and there is more money to come it. When I have the final figure I'll let you know.

**M&S Per Una Sale**

The sale raised £333 for 'Our Dream'. Thank you to all who helped and supported the sale.

**Fr Andrew Franklin** from Christ the King will be saying Mass at 8.00am on Wednesday 7th December in the Chapel of Unity at Coventry Cathedral. If you work in the city centre this is a wonderful opportunity to go to Mass.

**Forthcoming meetings:**  
**Eucharistic Ministers** Monday 5th Dec 7.30pm.  
**Prayer Group** Tuesday 13th Dec 7.30pm.  
**Readers' Meeting** Wednesday Dec 14th 7.00pm.

**Christmas Mass Times and Services:**  
**Wednesday 21st December 7.00pm.** Our penance Service with plenty of priests coming to hear confessions so no-one is rushed. The Coventry Catholic Choral Group have kindly offered to sing while confessions are being heard.  
**Christmas Mass Times**  
**Christmas Eve: 5.00pm (quiet Mass) & 9.00pm (carols and building the crib at 8.30pm)**  
**Christmas Day 9.00am and 10.30am (with a special guest at the end of 10.30am Mass!!)**

**The next Jumble sale** will be held on Sat/Sun 14 & 15 January 2012. Please bring your jumble to the church week commencing 7 January 2012.

**Parish Visiting Team.** **MANY THANKS TO THOSE WHO VOLUNTEERED PLEASE RETURN YOUR CRB FORMS AS SOON AS YOU CAN.**

**Hearts and Rainbows Toddler Group** meet every Tuesday morning in the Hall.

**Baptisms**--- If anyone wishes to arrange a baptism, please talk to the Baptism team after 10.30am Mass any Sunday.

**7-day candles: 3rd—10th December 2011.**

**Sacred Heart:** Kevin McFadden, R.I.P.; Coleman Family.

**Our Lady:** Eoin Stelios (recovery.); Claire (Special Intention.)

**Please remember in your prayers** Bernard McGrath, Shelly Maloney, baby Darwin Camatoy and his and his parents Rod and Donna; Eunan MacIntyre Junior, Richard Griffiths, May and Joe Gregory, Donald Cunningham, Debbi Cathro, Vincent Clohessey, Celine Ryan, Bridie McAndrew, Benny McAndrew, Martin McAndrew, Flavio Tangioni, Joyce Cave, Roderick Lomas, Bridie Murdoch, Henry Connolly, Susan Jess, Norman Walton, Catrina Murphy, Bernadette Norman, Rose Hale, Olly Hickey, Colleen Bowler, Seamus Pepper, Phyllis Gill, Jim Ward, Brige Sutton, Tess Whatley, Edith Beaudout, and all who are sick, for the repose of the souls of Margaret Lyons, Sue Timothy, and all who have died and for all whose anniversaries occur at this time.

**Advance Notice: Saturday 10th December 1.00—3.00pm.**

Cardinal Wiseman Christmas Fayre to raise funds for the school farm and projects in Malawi. Please see poster **On Sunday 11th December** St Elizabeth's are holding their Christmas Fayre. Also, Risen Christ Church invites you to a Christmas Tree Festival on Saturday/Sunday 10th/11th December—please see poster for more details.

**The Coventry branch of Comhaltas Christmas Ceili** at

Christ the King Community Centre on Friday 23rd December 8pm –12.00. Buffet. Dancing to Innisfail Ceili Band. Adults £5 Children £2.50 (2children +2 adults £10)

**Christmas with Jo Boyce and friends** St Bridget's Birmingham on Friday 16th December at 8.00pm. Please see poster for details.

**Our Parish Prayer.**

Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and rebuild the face of our parish family. 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.