

Saint Mary Immaculate, Warwick

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The Ascension of the Lord (Year A, Psalter Week 3) Sunday 28 May 2017

Sat 27	Saint Augustine of Canterbury	12 noon Nuptial Mass	<i>Neville Travasso & Lovelyn D'Souza</i>
	Vigil of Sunday	6.30 pm Mass	
Sun 28	The Ascension of the Lord	8.30 am Mass	Pro Populo
		10.30 am Mass	Ruth Clarke R.I.P.
		1 pm Nuptial Mass	<i>Christopher Williams & Laura Nugent</i>
Mon 29	Dedication of the Church	10 am Mass	
Tues 30	Easter Feria	10 am Mass	Stephanie Norton
Wed 31	Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	No Mass	
Thurs 1	Saint Justin, Martyr	No Mass	
Fri 2	Easter Feria	6.30 pm Mass	Holy Souls
Sat 3	Saints Charles Lwanga & Companions, Martyrs	10 am Mass	Holy Souls
	Vigil for Pentecost	6.30 pm Mass	Madeleine Andrews
Sun 4	Pentecost Sunday	8.30 am Mass	Mary Randall RIP
		10.30 am Mass	Pro Populo

Confession Sat 10.30 am -11 am & 5.30 pm - 6 pm. Open confession by appointment.

Last Week's Offertory Last week's offering came to £824.33 (of which £299.70 was gift aid).

Second Collection There will be a second collection at all Masses this weekend for Catholic Communications.

New Parish Email Address

Please note that we now have a new parish email address (shown above) please use this for all email communications to the parish for any subject.

Parish Office

Please collect a flyer from the back of the church for news about the parish office including opening hours etc.

Readers

This week – John Connor, Gordon McClean and Claire McLarnon. Next week - Liz Weston, Suzanne Stock and Ignatio Gomez.

Warwick Hospital Please ring 07591910176 if you wish for a priest to visit someone in Warwick Hospital.

Counters - Group 3 this weekend please. Next week Group 4. We could now do with a few individual collectors who we can pair up into teams of two - as we need at least 2 counters every week. The more we have the bigger the gap between 'turns'!

Forthcoming Second Collections

This week - Catholic Communications, 3 - 4 June - Eastertide Flowers, 11 June - Myton Hospice, 18 June - Day for Life, 25 June - Peters Pence

'Home for Good' Family Walk

Is taking place on Saturday 8th July at the Warwick Golf & Country Club in Leek Wootton. Registration starts at 10:30 am for an 11 am start. Come and join us for a 5km walk around the beautiful countryside, with a suggested minimum donation of £5 per walker (£10/family) towards the work of Home for Good. Free refreshments and Family Day Pass to the Warwickshire Health Club for everyone who takes part!

For more information contact Jeremy Bray (Open House Church, Warwick) at jeremybray@virgin.net (01926 495191).

Catholic papers

Since so few Catholic papers are being bought, we have decided to discontinue ordering a bulk supply as most get thrown away. However, parishioners who want copies can receive them direct from the publisher every week. If therefore you would like one, do speak to Fr. Patrick and we can consider how best to do this.

Parish Web Site

Make sure you check the parish web site (www.stmary-immaculate.org.uk) as there are often several news items which can't be fitted onto this sheet.

Fr Patrick's Induction

Thanks to everyone who attended and to those who contributed to making Thursday evening's celebration so special. It really was parish party and very nice it was too!

Parish Meeting

Sunday 25 June, 5pm: Open to anybody who's interested in the life of the parish and in building on what we have so that we're a welcoming, prayerful & caring community and a place where we can enjoy and celebrate our Faith.

Sick and Housebound

Your prayers are asked for all the sick in the Parish at home or in the hospitals/ hospice and especially for Steve Amos, June Amos, Reine-Marie Bates, Philip Batt, Len Briggs, Elizabeth Coleman, Mary Croney, Barbara Cullinan, Eugene Devoti, Anne Downes, Edith Durkin, John Fitzpatrick, Wendy Fitzpatrick, Peter Harrison, Mary Houston, Barbara Ivings, Christina Kelly, Vera Maguire, Miss McLaughlin, Sheila Millard, Florence Murphy, Bernadette Narain, Kathleen O'Connor, Rebecca Power, Mrs Richardson, Sarah Stewart, Betty Walters and Esther Webb.

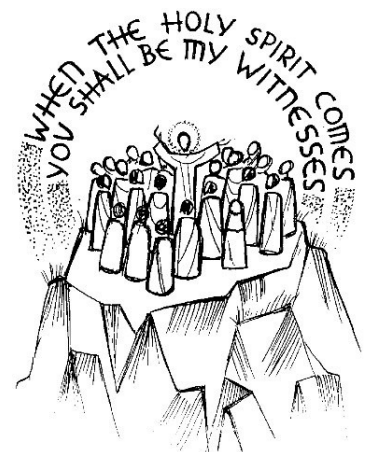
Bible Alive Subscription: This is a magazine that gives the bible references for each day's Mass readings and short teaching on the scripture. The annual subscription is £22.00 which includes a small discount for our group and starts **1 July**. (note the change in date from last week). Would you like to join us? And /or if you would like a free copy to see if it helps your prayers, phone Claire Harris 492586.

New Eucharistic Ministers: We are having a training for Eucharistic ministers. We do need more both to take Communion to the sick and during Mass. If you would like to explore whether you can offer this service to The Lord and the parish talk to Fr Patrick or Claire Harris 492586.

The Word this Week - The Ascension of the Lord (A)

"All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me"

Ascension is not just a feast that happens to fall in Eastertide: it is an integral part of the Easter mystery. Remember the Lord's words at the Last Supper: "I am going to prepare a place for, and after I have gone and prepared you a place, I shall return to take you with me". The resurrection presumes the Lord's return to the Father. This is therefore a feast of hope: our hope in the Lord's return, as he went. Our hope that he will take us with him, when our bodies are raised as his was. Our hope that we will take our place in heaven, where he sits on the Father's right.



Churches Together in Warwick - Events in June

- Friday 2nd June Afternoon Tea at 3.00 pm. In St Mary Immaculate Church Hall. It often finishes before 4.30pm so don't be late. Sandwiches are very popular and the cakes and conversations are good too. Do join us.
- Saturday 3rd June Prayer Breakfast 7.30 am at St Paul's. Now the mornings are lighter, it makes it easier to get up for it. Do come and pray with us & breakfast too.
- Saturday 3rd & 17th June is HOTS (Healing on the Street) in the Market Square 10am to 12noon.
- Saturday 10th June The Big Lunch Praise Party in the Park 12noon to 3pm St Nicholas Park. Bring your picnic lunch and join us. There will be praise music from local Christian bands on the main stage and a bouncy castle for primary aged children.

Gift Aid

Thanks to all those who took the Gift aid forms over the Easter weekend; your envelopes will be available at the back of church. If you did take one, please send it in whenever it's convenient. It would be good to get it started early this tax year and it would be a great help to the parish.

Youth Groups

Hike and Chips (from age 9 upwards) where we will meet up at a specific point and then walk back to the parish Social Centre where we will have a well-earned supper of chips and drinks! This will be on Friday 16th June. For more information and to book a place contact Dave Prescott 01926 499683.

Medjugorje Irish Centre Pilgrimages

Airport Transport and 7 nights B&B €279. Tel. 020 3239 8662 or email reservations@med-irishcentre.com Call for flight info. If you are thinking of going, contact the newsletter email address as we have more information about the pilgrimage.

Tiny Tots & Toddlers

Our toddler group meets from 10.00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. every Wednesday for babies and toddlers from 0-4 and their parents. Whether you are a regular or you've never been before, we hope to see you there for a cuppa, a chat and a play. We meet at St Mary Immaculate School, Wathen Road, Warwick, CV34 5BG. For more info: Chrissie - 07941 843711, or just come along.

Children's Liturgy

Bringing the Word of God to our children in a way that they can understand and learn from is, I'm sure we'd all agree, such an important part of our role as the Church. The team who run the Children's Liturgy at our 10:30 mass enjoy sharing God's word. Unfortunately over the last year many of our team have had to stop for one reason or another. Therefore if we want the Liturgy to continue for our children we are in URGENT need of more help! It really isn't scary and can be done as a pair, individually or in a group. You don't have to be a parent to help, in fact we'd love those without children (or now with grown up children) to get involved too. If you think you can help at all (once a month, or less, for example) then please speak to Chrissie Beaumont (mrs.c.beaumont@gmail.com/07941 843711) or Fr Patrick.

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Feeling Confused, Stressed, Unloved?
Separated, Divorced, or thinking about it?
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Retrouvaille helps couples worldwide work through challenging times.

The next Programme commences with a residential weekend 9th-11th June 2017 in Birmingham (To register for the forthcoming retreat, follow the link - <http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk/apply.php>).

To speak to someone in confidence please call: 07887 296983 or 0797 3380443

For more information visit www.retrouvaille.org.uk

Vocations to the Permanent Diaconate

The Archbishop wishes to give greater publicity to the Permanent Diaconate in the life of the Church and has produced a leaflet summarising the main features of the Permanent Diaconate and giving information about the procedure for prospective candidates, who feel they may have a calling. Copies are available at the back of Church and your prayers are requested for more vocations to this Ministry.

