

Whitnash and Bishops Tachbrook

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## *Newsletter*

**8th February 2015**

**5th Sunday in Ordinary Time—Year B**

Praying for the sick can be very difficult because it presents us with a certain degree of confusion. All of us know, from experience, that our prayers are not answered in the way we hope or expect. Our sick relative or friend could and often does get worse or die. Yet Jesus in His many exhortations emphasises the importance of us praying constantly. He also promises that our Heavenly Father will always listen to our prayer and that He cares for each one of us with infinite love. So, what is going on here? Is there a massive contradiction at the heart of our Christian spirituality? Clearly, there cannot be, so we are left to try to make sense of this through our readings today. Jesus cures Peter's mother in law together with countless others in Mark's Gospel, but He does NOT cure everyone! Jesus sought solitude to pray and moved on to preach to others. His prime purpose was not to just heal folk of physical diseases; Jesus had been sent to bring everyone into the kingdom of God and this entailed TOTAL healing of the WHOLE person. Jesus' healing mission was accomplished on the cross and was a healing of the whole of humanity and

creation. When we pray for the sick we are really praying for the grace to accept the awesome providence of God who has our total health and well-being within His unfolding plan. By proclaiming the nearness of God's kingdom through lives of service, Jesus encourages us to trust like we've never trusted before.



Services	This Week	Events
<p><i>Day of Prayer for the Victims of Trafficking</i></p> <p>6.30pm <i>Vigil Mass: : Mary McGarvey (Anniv.) and deceased members of the Boche and McGarvey families</i></p> <p>10.00am <i>Mass: Ian Wilshire RIP</i></p> <p>5.00pm <i>Mass: Filippo Castروفилippo RIP</i></p>	<p><b>Sunday</b> 8th February <b>Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> <i>Psalter Week 1</i></p> <p><i>He heals the broken hearted</i></p> 	<p>10.05am Children's Liturgy</p> <p>Coffee and Tea after 10am Mass Mike &amp; Co</p>  <p>Easter Fayre Meeting in the H.F.R. after Mass.</p> <p><b>There will be a Pro Life collection next weekend</b></p>
<p><i>No School Mass</i></p> <p>7.00pm <i>Novena to Our Lady Mass: Bridie Murphy</i></p>	<p><b>Monday</b> 9th February Feria</p>	<p>8-9.00pm Dancing</p>
<p>9.10am <i>Rosary</i></p> <p>9.30am <i>Mass: Pauline Jenkins RIP</i></p>	<p><b>Tuesday</b> 10th February St. Scholastica Memoria</p>	<p>10.00am Tuesday Club</p>
<p><i>No Mass</i></p>	<p><b>Wednesday</b> 11th February Feria</p>	<p>9.30-11.30am Art Group</p> <p><i>No Whist</i></p>
<p>7.00pm <i>Mass: Eileen Godfrey</i></p>	<p><b>Thursday</b> 12th February Feria</p>	<p>10.45-12.15pm Music Group</p> <p>7-8.00pm Weight Watchers</p>
<p>9.10am <i>Rosary</i></p> <p>9.30am <i>Mass: Cecilia and Geoffrey Bates RIP</i></p> <p>7.00pm <i>Novena to the Sacred Heart</i></p>	<p><b>Friday</b> 13th February Feria</p>	<p>4-6.00pm Karate</p>
<p>9.15am <i>Morning Prayer</i></p> <p>9.30am <i>Mass: People of the Parish</i></p> <p>10-10.45 <i>Exposition and Adoration Sacrament of Confession</i></p> <p>6.30pm <i>Mass: Patrick McCullough RIP</i></p> <p><b>Second collection: Pro Life</b></p>	<p><b>Saturday</b> 14th February St. Cyril and St. Methodius Feast</p>	<p>8.30am Slimming World</p> <p>10.30am Slimming World</p>
<p>10.00am <i>Mass: Tom Carter</i></p> <p>4.00pm <i>Reception of the body of Pauline Jenkins</i></p> <p>5.00pm <i>Mass: Chetwynd-Chatwin and Dogle families</i></p>	<p><b>Sunday</b> 15th February <b>Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> <i>Psalter Week 2</i> <i>Day for the Unemployed</i></p>	<p>10.05am Children's Liturgy</p> <p>Coffee and Tea after 10am Mass Children's Liturgy Group</p>  <p>6.00pm Youth Group</p>
<p>Collections £439.34</p> <p>Banker's Orders (weekly average) £100.46</p> <p>Catholic Education Service £198.21</p> <p><i>Many thanks for your donations</i></p>	<p><b>Last Week</b> <b>1st February</b></p>	<p>Attendance: 235</p> 

# Announcements

## OUR SICK

David Harwar, Roy Stanford, Enda McSharry, Marie Kelly, Seren Robertson, Eileen Hiorns, Patricia Robinson, Brian McCann, Rory and Peggy O'Rourke, Edna Hales, Sue Cleary, Shelagh Price, Jenny Bamber, Sue Day, Michael Gallagher, Miceal Murphy, Hugh Williams, Eddie Hoare.

<b>Kenilworth Grange</b>	Margaret Handy
<b>The Lawns</b>	Bert Brind
<b>Clarence House</b>	Winifred Galvin
<b>Eversleigh N. H.</b>	Mollie Benson
<b>Clarendon Manor</b>	Mary Jenkinson
<b>Stratford</b>	Monty Jenkinson
<b>RLS Nursing Home</b>	Bernie & Robbie Burns

## Anniversaries

Salvatore Monastero, Leonardo Varisco, Eileen Godfrey, Maria Lazzara, John McEnery, Bridie Murphy, Clarence Harwar, Rev. Wilfred Poultney, John Moran, Ian Wilshire, Robert Taggart, Maureen Halsey

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord*

## Baptism

**Ruben Thomas Edwards**

1st March 2015 at 12 Noon

**Marketa Siekierska**

Saturday 7th March 2015 at 12 Noon

## Baptism Preparation Meeting

The next Baptism Preparation Meeting will be on Monday 23rd February at 7.45pm in the Holy Family Room

## Recently Deceased

**Pauline Jenkins:** Following Pauline's recent death, her body will be received into St. Joseph's church at 4.00pm on Sunday 15th February and her Requiem Mass will be on Monday 16th February at 1.00pm, followed by burial at Leamington Cemetery at 2.30pm  
*May she rest in peace and may the Lord give comfort to all who mourn her*

## Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults

In order to minimise risks, anyone taking on a role in the parish which involves significant regular contact with children or vulnerable adults must go through an appointment procedure. This must be done through the Archdiocese even if you already have a disclosure

for a role in a Catholic school.

The parish safeguarding representative is Honor Hynes. If you have any queries or concerns, please see Honor or Fr. Bob.

Also, please could those with outstanding volunteer forms for Children's Liturgy return these by **22nd February**. Many thanks for your understanding.

## Women's World Day of Prayer

This year, Women's World Day of Prayer is on Friday 6th March at 10.30am at the Methodist Church and men are welcome! Last year the organisers were very impressed with the number of young parishioners from St. Joseph's who attended and it would be lovely to have a similar number of people at the service again this year. St. Joseph's has been asked to provide two readers at the service (who need to be women) plus one more person to carry a bowl and place it on a table. If you would like to take part please contact Anne Buttrum on 422174. The service this year is much simpler than last year's so it will not matter if you cannot make the rehearsal the Friday before.

## LENT COURSE 2015

Building on the success of last year's Lent course, we will again be sharing with the other churches together in Whitnash Warwick Gates & Bishops Tachbrook for this year's Lent course on Tuesdays (24 Feb, 3, 10, 17 & 24 March) at 7.30pm at the Chapter House, St Margaret's Church. The course will be around the film 'The King's Speech', entitled "Finding a voice". Please let Pam Howell know asap if you plan to attend so we can order enough books. Pam tel 259466/ email [revpam-howell@gmail.com](mailto:revpam-howell@gmail.com)

We should be able to obtain the books for £4.99 each. Please see Fr. Bob if you'd like a book and he will notify Rev. Pam. He needs to let her know numbers by the 8th Feb.

## 200 Club

Congratulations to the winners of the February draw: Phyllis Maguire (£50), P. Darby (£30) and Grace Gallagher (£20)

If you would like to join the 200 Club please have a word with Fr. Bob or Anne Buttrum. It is only £1 per month. The new lottery year starts in April and would be a great time to join.

## Christian Life Community

This weekend, we welcome members of the Christian Life Community, who will talk to us briefly after each

## Next Week—15th February 2015

### Eucharistic Ministers:

6.30pm Vigil Paddy Taylor,  
10.00am **Pauline Mills**, Myrna Harwar, John Ireson  
5.00pm Kim Kearns, Sr. Angela

### Readers:

Jan Ireson  
Salvatore Monastero  
Bernard Bergonzi

14/15th Feb	2nd Collection: Pro Life
16-20th Feb	Half term holiday
28th Feb	7.30pm Skittles Evening
28Feb/1stMar	2nd Collection: CAFOD
1st Mar	6.00pm Parish Council Meeting HFR
6th March	Women's World Day of Prayer Service
7/8th Mar	2nd Collection: Cathedral Maintenance

### St. Joseph's School Head Teacher

As many of you will have heard, our school's Head Teacher, Mr. Goggin, has given notice of his early retirement with effect from the end of this academic year. He has been an outstanding dedicated and passionate leader throughout his 17 years at St. Joseph's (deservedly recognised by Ofsted in their inspections). Mr. Goggin will be sorely missed. Please do keep in your prayers St. Joseph's School and the governing body, over the coming weeks and months, as we embark upon the process of finding a successor.

### Skittles Evening

Family Social Event: The social committee would like to invite you to a Free, Fun evening of Skittles to be held on 28th February at 7.30pm in our church hall.

Groups will be formed on the evening so please bring the whole family, young or old. Everyone welcome. A shared buffet will be wonderful, so bring a plate of nibbles and, if possible, a donation for raffle prizes. Tea, coffee + squash is provided for a small donation, but feel free to bring wine/beer. (All proceeds will go to St. Joseph's building and maintenance fund).

At the back of church there is a form for you to indicate your interest in attending and the number in your party.

**There is a meeting next Sunday (15th) following the 10.00am Mass in the HFR for the social team and anyone else who would like to help. You will be very welcome!**

### Golden Jubilee

Some of you may know Fr. David Keniry, who will celebrate his Golden Jubilee of Ordination to the Priesthood on 13th March 2015. A special Mass will be held on Friday 13th March at Christ the King Church, Warren Farm Road, Kingstanding B44 0QN at 7.00pm to which all are welcome. If you are able to come, please leave a message on 01926 773744 or [mchatfield51@outlook.com](mailto:mchatfield51@outlook.com) with numbers of your party to facilitate catering.

## Parish Centre



### Weekly Events (during normal time)

<b>Monday:</b>	Dancing
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Tuesday Club
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Art /Choir/ Whist Drive
<b>Thursday:</b>	Music Group / Weightwatchers
<b>Friday:</b>	Karate
<b>Saturday:</b>	Slimming World
<b>Sunday:</b>	Youth Club

### Lent 2015—Proclaim' Discussion groups

This starts in St. Peter's Parish Centre, Dormer Place, on Thursday 19th February after the 12.30pm Mass. Please bring your own lunch (start at 1.30pm). It is repeated on Monday 23rd February at 7.30pm. Fr. Eddie Clare from Maryvale hopes to attend the first session.

### **St Joseph's School and Church Easter Fayre. Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March 11am (after the 10.00am children's mass)**

Save the date! Sunday March 29th St. Joseph's School PTA and parishioners of St. Joseph's church will be holding an Easter Fayre in the hall after the 10.00am Children's Mass. We need some volunteers to run the cake stall and the teas and coffees. We would like to meet with any parishioners who may be interested in helping with this event or have any ideas of how we can make this event really successful. We would also like to hear from anyone who would like to have a craft stall/homemade produce stall so please get in touch. We are proposing to hold a brief meeting **this Sunday after the 10.00am Mass in the Holy Family Room today.**



If you feel that you would be able to contribute please contact Dawn on 07792939984 or [dawnsavage@aol.com](mailto:dawnsavage@aol.com)

### Catenian Rosary Appeal

Any rosaries you find that are surplus to requirements are going to be shipped to 3rd world countries. Please send them to: **Michael Blackburn, 164 Green Park Road, Halifax, West Yorkshire, HX3 0SP**