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*I expect we have heard about the over enthusiastic student beginning their first university lecture: when the lecturer greeted the group with "good morning" the student wrote it down. In a way this sort of attitude was found in the Christian life; through the manner in which paying attention to the minute details was thought very pious. This wasn't so bad in itself unless it fuelled the belief that all the good we do completely depends upon us, that we would have to 'work our socks off' if any progress in the spiritual life was to be gained. If we have this view when reading today's Gospel we could become very depressed. Looking through each of the beatitudes we might well feel we fall short on every one. In the world we live in it can be very difficult to be gentle or merciful or peacemakers, or to feel happy when others are treading on us or on our rights. But of course we need to always remind ourselves that Jesus Himself was brought up in this broken world and understood our problems. The beatitudes are not from us, but the crowning gift of the Holy Spirit as we become more and more configured to the person of Jesus. The beatitudes are evident within us as Christ is within us.*

**Let us keep the sick and the housebound of our parish in our prayers**

Edna Hales, Sue Cleary, Shelagh Price, Jenny Bamber, Karen Ireson, Hollie Sauvage, Maureen Cowell, Suzanna King, Michael Gallagher, Miceal Murphy, Roy Stanford, Enda McSharry, Eileen Hiorns, Patricia Robinson

**Warwick Hospital  
The Lawns**

Rosa Ventico  
Bridget Hunt, Mary Behan  
John L'Estrange, Kathleen Hammond,  
Winifred Galvin

**Clarence House  
Eversleigh N. H.  
Clarendon Manor  
Stratford**

Mollie Benson  
Mary Craig, Marie Kelly, Mary Darby  
Monty Jenkinson

**RLS Nursing Home  
Woodside  
Galanos House**

Robbie Burns  
Angele Handford, Christina Kelly  
Marjorie Smedley, Frances Lovell

**Sunday 29th January 2017  
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**PARISH NEWS ITEMS**

**First Communion:** Parents of children at St. Joseph's school or of children not in the Catholic school system who would like to enrol for First Holy Communion are invited to attend a special meeting to take place in the hall on Tuesday 31st January. There will be two opportunities to attend on that day, the first at 3.45pm and the second at 7.00pm. This is a very important step in the children's lives, so please do try to get to one of the meetings.

The intention will then appear in that week's bulletin.

**Womens World Day of Prayer:** This will be on Friday 3rd March at 10.30am and will take place at St. Joseph's this year. Anne Buttrum (422174) is co-ordinating this and would be grateful for any offers of help with taking part in the service and helping with refreshments afterwards.

**Crib Offering:** This year, throughout Advent and Christmastide, our Crib Offering was for Friends of the Holy Land to support the important work they do in the place of Our Lord's birth. Your offering this year amounted to a very generous **£377.21**. Thank you, once again, for your support.

**The Homeless:** This is the worst time of year to be without the basic comforts of home - the baskets in the porch are for tea, coffee and tins of non perishables to be given to those who have nothing. Thank you for all you give, consistently, to those in need.

**200 Club:** The team will be collection subscriptions after all the Masses on 5th February. If anyone would like to join our 200 Club, then would be a good time to ask about it.

**Headteacher Vacancy:** There is a vacancy for a Headteacher at Bishop Ullathorne School, Coventry, starting from September 2017. The details are on the noticeboard in the narthex.

**Our Lady's 7 Day Candle:** Thanks to those who have sponsored the candle for a week, during last year. There is a new schedule for 2017 now and if you would like to sponsor the candle for a week, simply write down your intention next to the chosen date and drop a donation into the box next to it. Please also write the intention on the small donation envelopes near the book. You may wish to add your name in brackets or your initials (entirely optional).

**The BIG PICTURE:** This is a 12 week inspirational Bible course and DVD which gives a step by step journey through salvation history. There are daily Bible study reflections and small weekly group sessions. They are to start **week commencing 20th February**. It is hoped there will be one or more small groups in each of the Warwick deanery parishes. The book and DVD cost £10 (orders over 10) [www.thebigpicturecourse.org](http://www.thebigpicturecourse.org) Order 0845 050 9428 or contact Peter Dimambro on 01926 428339, [mdimambro@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:mdimambro@hotmail.co.uk)

NEXT WEEK 5.2.17	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers
8.00am	Kate Tennyson, Sophia Brian	Sr. Angela, Tony Harris, Jan Ireson
5.30pm	Carol Bowler	Josie Whittington, Mary Hendry, Ann Sayce



*This week Our Lady's 7 Day candle burns for St. Giles Hospice*

## FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

<b>Sat 28 January</b> <i>Psalter Week 4</i>	<b>VIGIL</b>	OL SP	12.30 pm 5.00 pm	People of the Parish John Gately Thomas Ryan	<b>Confessions:</b> <b>SP:</b> 9.15am (& Exposition); <b>SJ:</b> 10.00 am (& Exposition); <b>OL:</b> 11.45am; <b>SP:</b> 4.15 pm
<b>Sunday 29 January</b> <b>Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>		SJ OL  SP  SJ	8.00 am 9.30 am  11.30 am  5.30 pm	Pauline Jenkins R.I.P Peter & Briget Woods Kath Taylor George Hudson Adam Amadeo Joe & Rose McGreevy Gabriel McCague John Gately RIP (the Gately family)	
<b>Monday 30 January</b> <i>Feria</i>		SP SJ SJ	10.00 am 2.15pm 7.00 pm	Shaun Hogan Mass at St. Joseph's School For the safe homecoming of Leslie (KT)	<b>SJ</b> Mass with Novena to Our Lady
<b>Tuesday 31 January</b> <i>Memorial of St John Bosco, Priest</i>		SJ SP	9.30 am 12.30 pm	The Patterson Family Hector Valdes Phillips	<b>Rosary: SJ</b> 9.10 am; <b>SP</b> Noon
<b>Wednesday 1 February</b> <i>Feria</i>		School OL SP	9.15 am 12.00 pm 12.30 pm	Mass at St Anthony's School Catherine Hartnett Peter Bogue	<b>Rosary:</b> <b>SP:</b> Noon
<b>Thursday 2 February</b> <i>Feast of the Presentation of the Lord</i>		School SP SJ	10.00 am 12.30 pm 7.00 pm	Mass at Our Lady & St Teresa's School Senan Lynch Andy Poole R.I.P	<b>Rosary:</b> <b>SP:</b> Noon
<b>Friday 3 February</b> <i>Feria</i>		OL SP  SJ	12.00 pm 12.30 pm  7.00 pm	James O'Rourke Paudric Kelly John Blake Catriona McLean	<b>SJ:</b> Mass with Novena to the Sacred Heart <b>Rosary: SP</b> Noon
<b>Saturday 4 February</b> <i>Feria</i>		SJ SP  <b>VIGIL</b> OL SP	9.30 am 10.00 am  12.30 pm  5.00 pm	People of the Parish Mary Mullan Mary Quigley  McGivern & McHugh Family Michael McKeown Brenda Margaret Dineen	<b>Confessions:</b> <b>SP:</b> 9.15am (& Exposition); <b>SJ:</b> 10.00 am(& Exposition); <b>OL:</b> 11.45am; <b>SP:</b> 4.15 pm
<b>Sunday 5 February</b> <b>Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>		SJ OL  SJ  SP  SJ	8.00 am 9.30 am  10.00 am  11.30 am  5.30 pm	John Feney Peter Lawless Mary McGlynn <b>SJ School &amp; Enrolment Mass</b>  <b>Confirmation Mass: Bishop William Kenney</b> Confirmation Children Teresa Owen	

### Anniversaries

Myranda Lintott, Richard Randall, Linda Stoodley, Peter Joseph Harding, Thomas Shinkwin, William Nicholl, Thomas Jeavons

*May they rest in peace*

### RECENTLY DECEASED

Please remember Brian McCann, a parishioner, who died recently. His Requiem will be on Monday 6th February at 9.45am at St. Joseph's, followed by cremation at Oakley Wood. Our sympathy and prayers go out to Brian's family.  
*May he rest in peace and rise in glory*

### THE COMING WEEK IN THE PARISH

**Sun:** 2nd Collection: Parish Maintenance  
**Mon:** *No Dancing*  
**Tues:** 10.30am Tuesday Club  
**Wed:** 9.30am Art Group  
 8.30-10.00pm Hall booked  
**Thurs:** Church Cleaning - Team 1  
 10.45-12.15pm Music Group  
 7.00pm Weight Watchers  
 7.30pm S.C.J. Meeting, 6 Chandlers Road  
**Fri:** 5.30pm Karate  
**Sat:** 8.30 + 10.30am Slimming World  
**Sun:** 2nd Collection: Pro Life

**LAST WEEK**  
**15th January**  
**2017**

Offertory:  
£482.84

No Second  
Collection

Attendance  
221

