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Eucharistic Adoration  
Mon 9AM - 7PM  
Fri 6PM - 7PM  
Sun 9AM - 10AM  
Confession  
Fri 6PM, Sat 10AM,  
Sun 9:30AM



The Word was made flesh...As we celebrate the triumph of Jesus, risen from the dead, we reflect on His presence in our lives, a presence that is not just among us, but within us in profound ways. The deepest of these is His presence in the Eucharist. We need this Eucharistic presence, and we receive it into ourselves, to the very core of our being, at the very least, once a week. But His presence doesn't stop there. We encounter Christ in many forms—when we enter into a church to pray, He is there, present in the gathering of the faithful, in the sacred space of worship. There is also a deep and genuine sense of Christ's presence in the gathered Church this is why the Church is called the Mystical Body of Christ. Another powerful way Jesus dwells within us is through the Word of God. The Bible is not just a book—it's the living and active Word, sharper than a double edged sword. It pierces soul and spirit, joints and marrow, and discerns the thoughts and intentions of the heart (Hebrews 4:12)). It speaks to us personally, inviting us to know and live the truths of Christ. And finally, there is His presence within each of us. We are reminded in today's Gospel that wherever we go, God goes with us, and whatever we do, we do together with Him. We are never alone. As we see in the readings Jesus is preparing his disciples for his return to the Father, He promises His peace, a peace that comes through the gift of the Holy Spirit. The Spirit is sent to teach us the truth and to unite believers in the peace that Christ offers. Yet, as we see in the early Church, this truth is not always welcomed. For those outside the faith, the truth may be unwanted, unpalatable or simply unbearable. It can be difficult to accept, and at times, it may be uncomfortable or even divisive. But the truth of Christ remains unchanged, whether he is loved or not, and the Spirit helps us to embrace it, living in it, and sharing it with others. May we cherish this divine presence in all its forms—the Eucharist, the Word, the Church, and the Spirit—and allow it to transform our lives. Let us live in the peace of Christ, knowing that wherever we go, He goes with us...and dwells among us!

Sat 24 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	Easter Feria	09.30 AM 18.00 PM	All Parishioners Joseph Deery RIP
Sun 25 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	Sixth Sunday of Easter	10.00 AM 18:00 PM	Clare, Gabrielle and Peter Kendall (Strength) Timothy Coffey RIP
Mon 26 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	Memorial of St Philip Neri, Priest	10.00 AM 19.00 PM	UCM Hannah Woolhead (Wellbeing & Strength)
Tue 27 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	Feast of St Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop	10.00 AM 13:30 PM 19.00 PM	Theresa Philips RIP Requiem Mass - Timothy Coffey RIP Phemy & Sibil (Wedding Anniversary)
Wed 28 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	Easter Feria	10.00 AM 19.00 PM	Theresa Philips RIP John Woodward RIP
Thurs 29 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD	10.00 AM 19.00 PM	Claire Bedford Christine Deery RIP
Fri 30 <sup>th</sup> May 2025	Easter Feria	10.00 AM 19.00 PM	Con Darcy RIP Private Intention
Sat 31 <sup>st</sup> May 2025	Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	09.30 AM 18.00 PM	Elizabeth Bedford All Parishioners

## This Week's Gospel – John 14:23-29

**‘The Holy Spirit will bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you’**

At that time: Jesus said to his disciples, ‘If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words. And the word that you hear is not mine but the Father’s who sent me. ‘These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you. But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, “I am going away, and I will come to you.” If you loved me, you would have rejoiced, because I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you before it takes place, so that when it does take place you may believe.’

### Responsorial Psalm

**Let the peoples praise you, O God;  
let all the peoples praise you.**

### Catechism Classes for Children

Catechism classes for children are held on **Sundays** after 10 AM

Mass, from **11:15 AM to 12 noon**, in the **Coach House**.

Group 4 (ages 12 to 14) : 25<sup>th</sup> May

Group 1 (ages 3 to 5) : 1<sup>st</sup> June

Group 2 (ages 6 to 8) : 8<sup>th</sup> June

Group 3 (ages 9 to 11) : 15<sup>th</sup> June

### New Rota

New rotas for Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, and Altar Servers is now available for collection at the back of the Church.

### Union of Catholic Mothers (UCM) Notice

The next meeting of the UCM will be held on **Mon, 26<sup>th</sup> May** after 10 AM Mass in **Hibberts Hall**. Raffle prizes to be brought by Iris Mary Cowan and Muriel Larkin. Tea Rota: Margaret Butler and Mary Cowan

### Novena to the Holy Spirit

In preparation for the solemnity of Pentecost on Sun, 8<sup>th</sup> June, the *Novena to the Holy Spirit* will be prayed alongside the morning and evening Mass from **Fri, 30<sup>th</sup> May**.

### Corpus Christi Procession

The parish Corpus Christi Procession will take place on the evening of **Thurs, 19<sup>th</sup> Jun**. The event will begin with the celebration of Mass at **6:00 PM**, after which we will process into the town centre to the Clock Tower, where Benediction will take place. To ensure everything runs smoothly, **we need volunteers** to assist with stewarding. If you are able to help, please sign the form at the back of the church.

### KYT - It's a Knockout

Kenelm Youth Trust invites to '**It's a Knockout**' on **Sat 28<sup>th</sup> and Sun 29<sup>th</sup> June** at **Rough Close, Coventry**. An event filled with games, challenges and activities enabling youth groups to score points for their team and enter the grand finale with a chance at winning parish youth groups trophy. Register at [www.kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk/iak2021.html](http://www.kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk/iak2021.html).

Thurs, 29<sup>th</sup> May **ASCENSION OF THE LORD**  
is a **Holy Day of Obligation**.

### Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus



The month of June is devoted to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

### Blessing of House

In the month of June, if you would like to bless your house and consecrate to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, please fill your name, contact number and preferred dates on the sheet placed at the back of the church.

### Revel School Monks Kirby - Catholic Provision Volunteer Role

Suitably experienced volunteer is needed to work with a small number of catholic children of primary school age at The Revel School to help them grow in their understanding of the catholic faith. If you feel called to help with this role, contact Fr Paul at [stjoseph.monkskirby@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:stjoseph.monkskirby@rcaob.org.uk) / 01788 726531

### Jubilee Day

Young people from across the Diocese are invited to join the **Jubilee Day** organised by the Kenelm Youth Trust on **Sat, 5<sup>th</sup> Jul** at **St Chad's Cathedral**. The day will include activities, workshops led by SVP, KYT and many others. Also join the Diocesan Jubilee Mass for Young People with Bishop Timothy Menezes. Register at [www.tfaforms.com/5161353](http://www.tfaforms.com/5161353)

### KYT - Summer Camp 2025

Kenelm Youth Trust invites to this year's summer camp from **Sun 20<sup>th</sup> to Thurs 24<sup>th</sup> July** at **Alton Castle, Staffordshire**, for youth between the ages of 12 and 16 and have completed Year 7. For those in Year 12 or 13 (ages 16-18) who want to get involved can join the service team. The camp brings exciting activities, powerful moments of reflection and an opportunity to grow in faith. For more details and to register visit [www.kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk/summer-camp-2025.html](http://www.kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk/summer-camp-2025.html).

### Parish Office

Office will be **closed** from **Mon, 26<sup>th</sup> May** to **Mon, 2<sup>nd</sup> Jun**.

### Second Collection on next Sunday

There will be a second collection for Catholic Communications.

### RECENTLY DECEASED

Timothy Coffey, Vera Gawrysiak, Malcolm Reeves

### FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES FALL AROUND THIS TIME

Gerard Roberts, Joseph Smith, Margaret Craddock, Annie Saunders

### PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO ARE SICK

Sharon Colleran, George Mears, Freddie Fereday, Piotr Fior, William Hearne, Hattie Taylor, Val Muir, Lenny & Marie Niner, Sybil Brookes, Maureen Keane, Ginny Eves, Paula Smith, Michael Duffin, Breda O'Byrne, Alan Thomas, Antonio Hernandez, Eamon Curry, Janet Eyles, John Dover, Terry McSweeney, Johnny Stott, Alan Parish, Emariciana D'Souza, Raymond Bunning, Filipa Faro, June Hargadon, Joevi Suniga, Marie Kelly