

ST MARY IMMACULATE, WARWICK ST CHARLES BORROMEIO, HAMPTON ON THE HILL

**Third Sunday of Lent
8 March 2026**



Jan Joest *Christ and the Samaritan Woman at Jacob's Well* (detail) 1508

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MASS TIMES



		St Mary Immaculate	St Charles Borromeo
Sun 8	Third Sunday of Lent	6pm (Sat) <i>Eileen D. Rardt RIP</i> 11am <i>Special int. (family D.)</i>	9am <i>Pro Populo</i>
Mon 9	St Frances of Rome	9.30am <i>Eithne Farren</i>	9am Stations of the Cross 10am <i>Private int.</i> <i>Bible Study 7.30pm (zoom)</i>
Tue 10	Lenten feria	9.30am <i>Slawek ints.</i>	10pm <i>Private int.</i>
Wed 11	Lenten feria		11.30 Stations of the Cross 12pm <i>Private int.</i> followed by soup lunch
Thu 12	Lenten feria		12pm <i>Thanksgiving</i>
Fri 13	Lenten feria	9.30am <i>Neil Bidder KC</i> 6pm Exposition 7pm Stations of the Cross	9.30 Stations of the Cross 10am <i>Private int.</i>
Sat 14	Lenten feria	6pm <i>Pro Populo</i>	10am Exposition 10.30am <i>Private int.</i> followed by Confessions
Sun 15	Fourth Sunday of Lent Mothering Sunday	11am <i>Margaret Ward RIP</i>	9am <i>Sam Hewitt</i>

Livestreaming: Please be aware that the front two pews at St Mary Immaculate are visible. If anyone wishes to receive Holy Communion but not appear on the livestream, please speak to Fr Patrick

THE WORD THIS WEEK

The Gospel this Sunday is the remarkable conversation between Jesus & the Samaritan woman by the well, the theme is water - which gives life, which cleanses, which is so necessary. This reading forms part of the catechesis given before Baptism at Easter: the candidates who would go into the water are invited to reflect on what that means. But more necessary than the water which gives life is the water which gives eternal life - the water of baptism, the water flowing from Jesus' side on the cross. We will all renew our baptismal promises at Easter so we could take this opportunity to reflect on what baptism has given us, and what God has done for us in this gift.



GENERAL NOTICES

Recently Dead: Annie Walters, Tom Douglas, Kathleen O'Connor.

St Mary Immaculate parish meeting: Sunday 22 March at 6pm in the hall, to present the parish finances for the past year.

Visit of Relic of St Carlo Acutis: Sun 15 March veneration of relic and his Eucharistic Miracles exhibition at St Joseph's Whitnash, with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in church during the day for Vocations and Talk at 3.30pm.

Eucharistic Ministers: Meeting with Deacon David on the evening of Monday of Holy Week, 30 March at 7pm for about an hour for a short chat, a time of Adoration & prayer.

GUITAR WANTED: Has anyone got a guitar (non-electric) that they no longer require? Would you like to donate it to a young, homeless man who has recently arrived in Warwick? If so please contact the SVP via the Parish Office.

Book Club: next meeting is Mon 16 March 2026 7pm Martyrs' Room. This session's book is Lucy Steed's The Artist (Waterstones Book of the Year 2025). Join us for a friendly chat over a drink in a relaxed setting. New members welcome. Contact Marie Bawden for more information: mariebawden678@gmail.com

Allotment St Charles: Would you enjoy growing your own vegetables in the allotment at St Charles? If interested contact Clare Mayer claremayer1@gmail.com 07941815037

Born For This: Tickets now on sale for the 30th Anniversary Performance of Born for This, a musical reflection on the Stations of the Cross. The performance at Symphony Hall, B'ham takes place on Wed 25 March. <https://bmusic.co.uk/book/instance/2298736>

We Believe Festival: <https://www.webeliefestival.com/> Catholic festival for all ages & interests at Oscott College 24-27 July. We're hoping to book together as a parish which means a better group discount the more who sign up. If you're interested in being part of the parish booking (no obligation yet) please get in touch with Bill on 07518386745.

Free Concert: Sat 14 March at 7pm at St Peter's in Leamington Spa. The Newman Schola will be performing Faure's Requiem & Allegri's Miserere and other Lenten choral music.

Health & Safety: Please let Fr Patrick know if you would be willing to take on this important roles at St Mary Immaculate. It's about enabling us to be statutory compliant. It's a volunteer role but entails quite a lot. If we can't find someone, we will have to source it out and pay someone

Roman Station Churches

The small basilica of Ss. Cosmas & Damian sits just inside the Roman Forum. In fact, parts of it date back to that time, these structures being converted into a church in honour of these two saints sometime later. Cosmas & Damian were two brothers in the medical profession, who used their skills to heal people without seeking payment. Although there are different traditions concerning their martyrdom, it seems likely that they suffered during the Diocletian persecutions in the early 4th century in Syria. Their relics were brought to Rome during the time of Pope St. Gregory the Great, and they are mentioned in the First Eucharistic Prayer, *the Roman Canon*.



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2 nd Collections	8 March Cathedral Maintenance	8 March Cathedral Maintenance
Counting	This week group 1 Next week group 2	
Sick and Housebound	Gill Bonehill, Christopher Browne, Eileen Checkley, Annie Gleason, Anne Gunthorpe, Samantha Hewitt, Kevin Hunt, Susan James, Catherine McCarthy, Monica, Liam McLaughlin, Bernadette Narain, Peter Schmidt, Sheila Thumwood, Betty Walters, Natasha Watkins, Gerard Williams. Rafael Rosolen De Oliveira	Aidan Harris, Samantha Hewitt, Jo Holleron, Angie Morrell, Eddie Unitt, Janina Woods. <i>Your prayers are asked for all the sick in our parishes: at home, care home, hospital, hospice.</i>
Monthly Draw	200 Club. £350 paid in prizes each month. To join please contact the office. Next Draw 16 Mar.	St Charles Tote Next draw 8 Mar.
8-day lamp dedications	<i>Sanctuary lamp:</i>	
Rosary group	Pope's intention for March: <i>For disarmament and peace</i> Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.	
Churches Together in Warwick	We pray for all who have attended, or led, the Warwick Youth Alpha course. May they all feel encouraged and affirmed in their faith. We pray Your Spirit would increase their longing to know you more.	

PARISH GIVING: The best way to support our parishes financially is by setting up a Standing Order using the following bank details. If you don't have internet banking and want to sign up for Standing Order, please contact the parish office. [GiftAid form](#)

Account name: RCA Birmingham St Mary Immaculate Acc. no.28541588: Sort code 55-70-33
Account name: RCA Birmingham St Charles Borromeo Acc. no.28392876: Sort code 55-70-33

St Mary Immaculate Hall bookings heartofwarwick@gmail.com
Deanery Website banburyandwarwick-catholicdeanery.org.uk

SAFEGUARDING

Our Parishes operate in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parishes Safeguarding Representative is Julia FitzSimons who can be contacted at: sg.smi.warwick@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/ safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.

Health & Safety Coordinators: Dave Prescott (St Mary), Damien Convey (St Charles)
Primary School Head: Julia Wallace. Parish Secretary: Andy Walker.
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