

Our Lady of the Assumption Swynnerton

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Sunday 4th June, 2017 Solemnity of Pentecost

FEAST DAYS

Monday 5th June.

St. Boniface

Boniface died in 754. Originally from Crediton in Devon. A Benedictine who became Archbishop of Mainz, known as the Apostle of Germany. He was martyred with 30 companions.

Tuesday 6th June

St. Norbert

(1080 - 1134) St Norbert was born in Xanten, Germany. He turned his back away from a worldly life and later retired to found the Premonstratensians. He worked very hard by example and by preaching to implant the religious and moral reforms of Pope Gregory VII. He died as Archbishop of Magdenburg.

Friday 9th June

St. Columba

(c521 - 597) St Columba was one of the 'Twelve Apostles of Ireland' He was born in Gartan, Co Donegal. He founded monasteries at Derry, Durrow and Kells but felt compelled to leave Ireland as an act of penance c563. With twelve companions he settled on Iona, just off the Isle of Mull, and this became the effective base for the evangelisation of Scotland and northern England. He died in 597 and his relics were later moved to Dunkeld.

St Ephrem

(306-373) St Ephrem was born in Mesopotamia. Ordained as a deacon in Edessa, Turkey, he vigorously combated the heresies of his time. To be more effective, he wrote poems and hymns about the mysteries of Christ and the Blessed Virgin. He was a poet, orator and holy monk who had a great devotion to Our Lady.

Sunday 11th June

Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

Day	Time	Service	Confession*
Saturday 3rd	5:30pm	Mass - Sr Dymphna Smith intentions	11:00 - 11:30 am*
Sunday 4th	10:00am 6:00pm	Mass - For the People of the Parish Mass (EF) - Kevin McHugh RIP	
Monday 5th	9:30am	Mass - Sr Josephine Swift intentions	
Tuesday 6th	NB 6:00pm	Mass - Nancy O'Grady RIP	
Wednesday 7th	9:30am	Mass - Linda Greatbach RIP	
Thursday 8th	8:00am	Mass - Margaret Durman RIP	
Friday 9th	9:30am 2:30pm	Mass - Kate Donoghue (RIP) Mass - (HMP Drake Hall) Charles Gaggero RIP	
Saturday 10th	5:30pm	Mass - Eileen Smith RIP	11:00 - 11:30 am*
Sunday 11th	10:00am 6:00pm	Mass - For the People of the Parish Mass (EF) - Sr Jude's intentions	

Note: Services in Black in church
Services in Blue elsewhere

* After all Masses
on request

- ❖ **MASS ON TUESDAY** this week will be at 6pm, as I have a hospital appointment in Birmingham that day.
- ❖ **ALSO ON TUESDAY** the Parish Committee will meet in the Presbytery, starting at 7pm sharp. New members are always welcome, so if you would like to contribute something to the life of your parish, please do come and join us.
- ❖ **CONCERT OF SACRED MUSIC:** Please do your best to support the Concert of Sacred Music, which will take place in our church this Saturday, June 10th, commencing at 7.30pm. The principal piece being performed, Victoria's Mass "O Magnum Mysterium", is especially beautiful. Victoria was a Spanish composer working in Rome in the 16th century - he was ordained priest in the chapel of the English College in Rome, where, once upon a time, I studied for the priesthood. He knew St Philip Neri and the other great figures of Counter-Reformation Rome.
- ❖ **CORPUS CHRISTI SUNDAY:** On Sunday June 18th we celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi, when we honour in a special way the great Sacrament of Our Lord's Body and Blood. Weather permitting, we will have a short procession of the Blessed Sacrament after the 10am Mass, following the route we used on Palm Sunday, i.e. around the War Memorial. There has not been such a procession here for some time, so it will be good to restore it. Please give it your best support, even if you normally come to the Saturday evening or Sunday evening Masses.

Quotation

"My God, I adore Thee as the Third Person of the Ever-Blessed Trinity, under the name and designation of Love. Thou art that Living Love, wherewith the Father and the Son love each other. And Thou art the Author of supernatural love in our hearts. As a fire Thou didst come down from heaven on the day of Pentecost; and as a fire Thou burnest away the dross of sin and vanity in the heart and dost light up the pure flame of devotion and affection....I adore Thee, O uncreated and everlasting Fire, by which our souls live, by which alone they are made fit for heaven."

From a prayer for Pentecost composed by Blessed John Henry Newman (died 1890).

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Thank you, God bless

Fr. Paul.