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Lent: The Lord is close by.

Lent is a time of discovering the closeness of the Lord in the actions and events that shape life. We can drift spiritually at times, leaving the Lord at the edges of our lives. This drifting can lead to choppy waters, to fierce winds of change, of uncontrollable things that sneak up and present themselves. Drifting is a consequence of forgetting the closeness of God to us. Lent stops the drift, it puts winds in the sails and it drives us onwards and upwards too, for upwards is the direction towards heaven that we aim to be sailing towards! Prayer, fasting, charity, penance and mercy, these are the revelations of just how close by the Lord is to us! And the season of Lent steers us towards them with great gusto! By doing these things in Lent we renew in our hearts the joy of faith.

We are to pray all the more fervently, so as to grow more in faith. We are to fast, so as to deepen our love and awareness of the Lord in our midst. We are to give of our plenty, so as to help the poor. We are to ask forgiveness of the Lord, close by us, so as to receive God's tender mercy.

Lord, if we drift through this season of Lent, fill our thoughts with you, help us to set sail towards you, so we may serve you with our whole self. Amen.

CAFOD

An evening of Stories from the Sudan with Bishop William Kenney on his experience in the Sudan Thursday 7th April 2016 7.00pm– 8 30pm

Venue: The Margaret Roper Room at St Thomas More RC Church, 112 Knoll Drive, Coventry (CV3 5DE) All are very welcome, please do join us Light refreshments will be provided For more information please contact Lizzie Wignall (CAFOD Birmingham) ewignall@cafod.org.uk 01922 722944

Planned Giving Envelopes. Please collect from the back of church. Tax payers do think about Gift Aiding. Do ask Paul and Ann for details of how to do so. It is a simple way of giving.

The 12th – 19th March is a week of awareness and prayer for those affected by dementia.

The Parish Live Stream Web Cam: This can be found and accessed at hf-cov.org.uk

Mass Intentions: 5th Sunday of Lent Year C Psalter Wk. 1

Saturday	12th Mar	6.00pm Vigil	Fr Aengus Donlon RIP (Ordination Anniversary)
Sunday	13th Mar	10.00 am	Sean Galvin (1st A)
Monday	14th Mar	9.15 am	People of the Parish
Monday	14th Mar	1.30 pm	Funeral Service Frances Strong
Tuesday	15th Mar	9.15 am	John Deehan (a)
Wednesday	16th Mar	9.15 am	Fr Bernard Anwyl Priestly Anniversary (59 years)
Thursday	17th Mar	9.15 am	Fr Jerry Sheehy RIP
Friday	18th Mar	9.15 am	Fr Aengus Donlon (Birthday 20th March)

Confessions: Saturday 5.15pm 5.45pm

Palm/ Passion Sunday (c)

Saturday	19th Mar	6.00pm Vigil	Fr Jerry Sheehy RIP (A)
Sunday	20th Mar	10.00 am	Herbie & Mary O'Hara Ellen Ashby (35 A)

Website Links: Diocese: www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk
 Deanery: www.coventry-catholicdeanery.org.uk
 School: www.holyfamily.coventry.sch.uk

Head Teachers: Holy Family: Mrs Carmel Farrelly
 Cardinal Newman: Mrs Marina Kelly

Parish Safeguarding Rep: Mrs Debbie O'Donoghue
 Gift Aid: Paul & Ann Yielding



HForce Youth Group: Every Second Thursday
 Young at Heart: Coffee, tea & biscuits; chat, fun, friendship, in the parish centre Thursdays at 10.00am.
 Toddlers Group: Tuesday mornings 9.15 am-11.15 am
 Parish Centre Information and bookings 02476 336345

Weekend 19/20 March Parish Ministers

	6.00pm	10.00am
Extraordinary Ministers:	Kim Simmons Robert Cramp J Hughes, M Haggerty, U Pearson	Kim Ashby Emma Nugent Mary Iggedun, Kim Nghiem Bindu Jacob
Readers:	Joyce Smith Val Grant	Gabrielle Lynagh T Baptistdias
Counters:	Brian Lynagh Jill Murphy	
100 Club Collectors:	Sheila Weir & Helen Driscoll	Carmel O'Sullivan



A Mass in Honour of St Patrick at St Mary's Raglan Street, on

Tuesday 15th March starting at 7pm
 Refreshments afterwards.
 All welcome.

Caramba Theatre Company Resurrection: A Passion Play. Tuesday 22nd March at 7.30 pm St Thomas More Church, Watercall Avenue, Styvechale. Free Entrance. See Poster.

Annual Sponsored Walk For our India project (work of Fr Sarves mission) will take place on 13th March Thank you for your support.



The Jesuit Volunteer Service are offering opportunities for young people aged 18 – 25 years, to work on their Missions abroad mainly in Africa and South America. For details contact clare@jesuitmissions.org.uk.

Please pray for the elderly, the housebound, the sick; especially all who receive Holy Communion from the ministers, in nursing homes, hospital and hospices. We pray for those who have died recently, especially Frances Violet Strong. May she rest in peace.

Holy Family Weekly Offerings:

27th/28th Feb
 Gift Aid £179.50 Loose £304.60
 Thank you for your generosity. Cafod £368.90

Church Cleaning:

Team 1 Teresa McLintock +6 Monday after Mass 14th March
 Many thanks for keeping the church clean and tidy!

The Parish Grounds Team

Meet on Monday's at 2.00 pm at the presbytery.
 Keeping the church grounds looking tidy and presentable!
 Teas and Coffees are available.
 Thank you for volunteering and coming along so regularly

Holy Family Parents Association.

Easter Eggstravaganza! Sunday Fete; 20th March, 11am-1pm. Tickets £3 Craft, games Biscuit decorating, Colouring & prizes. Refreshments available. Hot drinks, home made cakes, hot dogs. See poster for details.

Born For This:

A Musical Stations of the Cross by CJM Music on the 20th March at St Chad's Cathedral. For more details see the poster in porch.

Fr Des

Thank you for all who arranged, prepared, contributed to, and supported Fr Des's farewell Mass and Presentation. It was a lovely and fitting occasion as we marked with gratitude his priestly ministry amongst us here at Holy Family. We wish him every blessing in his new parish.

Stations of the Cross Each Sunday during Lent. In the church at 6pm. **"We adore you Christ and we praise you...for by your Holy Cross you have redeemed the world."**