

Holy Family RC Church Coventry

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Light and darkness: Terry Anderson, a journalist for the Associated Press, was seized and held hostage in Lebanon for seven years; blindfolded almost all of that time, Anderson described his experience in this way, "Deepest darkness, fumbling, uncertainties are frightening. More frightening is the darkness of the mind, when outside light makes no impression and inner lights go dim. . ." [*Den of Lions*, Crown Publishers, Inc. (New York: 1993).] In November of 1965, a power failure plunged seven north eastern U.S. states and Ontario, Canada, into a darkness which lasted for more than thirteen hours. About thirty million people living in eighty thousand square miles of territory were affected. In 1977, another, less severe, power failure darkened New York City for fifty-two

minutes. Losses due to accidents and looting were in excess of one billion dollars. In the Holy Scriptures, light and darkness serve as symbols for good and evil. In today's first reading and in the Gospel, Jesus is presented as the One sent to remove the darkness of sin from the world. Through Isaiah, God promises that His people will see an end to the darkness of oppression and separation. Today's Gospel shows us how the prophecy of Isaiah was fulfilled in Jesus.

The children who are making their 1st Holy Communion in May will be leading us in the liturgy today (Sunday) Please pray for all involved our children, parents, school and parish community.

"Love is the greatest power for the transformation of reality because it pulls down the walls of selfishness and fills the ditches that keep us apart."
Pope Francis



"My house shall be called a house of prayer"

Please be sensitive to those who want to pray in silence before Mass.

Before Mass
Talk to God
During Mass
Listen to God
After Mass
Talk to each other

"Reverence speaks louder than words!"

Parking! Please do not park outside the church, unless you have difficulty walking. Especially at the Sunday 10 am Mass

3RD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

SATURDAY	25TH JAN	6 00PM	VIGIL
SUNDAY	26TH JAN	10 00 AM	
MONDAY	27TH JAN	9 15 AM	
TUESDAY	28TH JAN	9 15 AM	
WEDNESDAY	29TH JAN	9 15 AM	
WEDNESDAY	29TH JAN	12 NOON	@CANLEY CREM
THURSDAY	30TH JAN	9 15 AM	
FRIDAY	31ST JAN	9 15 AM	

SATURDAY CONFESSIONS 5 15 PM – 5 45 PM

SATURDAY	1ST FEB	6 00PM	VIGIL
SUNDAY	2ND FEB	10 00 AM	

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PETER FITZSIMMONS RIP
PATRICK AHEARN RIP A
KEN GAMBLE RIP
DAVID LAFFEY RIP
FR SAVRES GET WELL
PAUL KELLY RIP
PETER GARNETT RIP
SR SABINA STAFF RIP

JOE MCLINTOCK & FAMILY, MURRAY,
SHERIDAN, ROCK, HERMON FAMILIES
TONY HATELEY RIP A

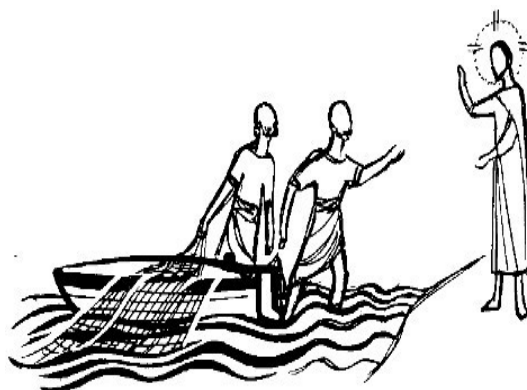
THERE WILL BE EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT THIS FRIDAY 7 45 AM UNTIL JUST BEFORE MASS

ON TUESDAY 4TH FEBRUARY AT 7.00PM THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION TAKES PLACE IN CHURCH BISHOP WILLIAM KENNEY WILL BE VISITING THE PARISH AND PRESIDING AT MASS.

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

Head Teachers: Holy Family: Grainne Griffiths
Cardinal Newman: Emma O'Connor
Holy Cross Academy Marina Kelly

Parish Safeguarding Reps: Grainne Griffiths Sarah Collins
Gift Aid: Paul & Ann Yielding
HForce Youth Group: Every Second Thursday
Young at Heart: Coffee, tea; chat, friendship, in the Hall
Thursdays at 10.00am.
Toddlers Group: Tuesday mornings 9.15 am-11.15 am
Parish Centre Information and bookings 02476 336345
Parish Grounds Tidy Up Team. Monday's 2.00pm volunteers
Marriages and Baptisms please refer to Fr Pat



Weekend 1st/ 2nd Feb Parish Ministers

	6 00pm	10 00 am
Extraordinary Ministers:	Mary Byrne Robert Cramp Marie Burton Rita McDonald	Clare Gilheaney Kevin Coughlan Mary Jones, Manuel Sarauz
Readers:	Teresa O'Keefe	Sarah Collins
Counters:	Derrick & Angela Gough	
100 Club Collection:	Helen Discoll	Jill Murphy

Piety Stall.

Open before/ after
Masses weekends
Religious objects and
cards on sale weekly.
Mass Cards and gifts,
too.

Increase in Diocesan Levies 2020 The increase has been suspended for three months for a review. The diocese will be looking at the figures again and will suggest a new levy amount for each parish

Cleaning Rota Team 3: Angela McKeever & Team- Thursday 30th January.

Weekly Offerings: Gift Aid £170.40 Loose £539.93 Thank You. Thank you for those who contribute via Standing orders

Knitting Monthly on the first Monday's 10 am until 11 00am

Please pray for the elderly, the housebound & sick especially; **John O'Sullivan, Julia Hughes, Mary Shirly, Jessica Graham, Gerry Burke, Louise Turley, Teresa Olivero, John Bratt, Imelda Cunningham, Peter Gordon, Bridie Cave, Theresa, Joanne Gilsenan, Peggy Crean, Michael Moten, Lelia Kieran, Brian Burke, Cheryl Kenny, Sarah Higgins, and Julia O'Keefe** and all in care homes, or hospital. May they know Jesus' healing touch. For those who have recently died **Vera Coyle, Fr Brian Doolan**

MYTON HOSPICE VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED Myton Hospice are currently looking for volunteers on a full, part time or flexible basis. If you would like to make a please contact Geoffrey Etule, Director of HR, on 01926358374 Ext 226 / email Geoffrey.Etule@mytonhospice.org

PARISH YOUTH GROUP The Youth Group meet in the Parish Hall every two weeks on Fridays. The next meeting will be in the Parish Hall on Friday the 6th February. See Kien for more details.

Children's Liturgy 10 am Sunday's

*Mother Prayers Weekly Monday's **after 9 15 am Mass*** The Parish Live Stream Web Cam: hf-cov.org.uk

Monday Grounds Team Mondays 2.00pm tea provided!

"The God who Speaks" After Mass this Wednesday there will be an opportunity to look at next weekend scripture readings so as to help us prepare for coming to Mass. It will finish at 10 30am and tea will be provided.

100 Club Winners 1st £400 No 40 Michael Meaney 2nd £200 No 335 BE Kennedy 3rd £100 No 392 Phyl Harris

Fully escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland, 20th April 2020. £599.00 per person sharing. Price includes flight with 10kg hand luggage, all transfers, 4 nights' in Knock House Hotel with breakfast and dinner. All entertainment and excursions included. Lunches on days out. Wheelchair accessible rooms. Single room supplement £100. Contact Patricia on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com. Knock Pilgrimages is a member of the Travel Trust Association and is fully protected by ATOL T7613.

Bishop Walsh Catholic School in Sutton Coldfield (part of the St. John Paul II MAC) are seeking an inspirational, collaborative and outward facing Principal for September 2020. Full details can be found on the school website: www.bishopwalsh.org