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"It made a difference for that one." While walking along a beach, an elderly gentleman saw someone in the distance leaning down, picking something up and throwing it into the ocean. As he got closer, he noticed that the figure was that of a little boy. When he got closer, he discovered what the boy was doing. The boy was picking up starfish off the beach and throwing them back into the ocean. The man walked up to the boy and said, "What are you doing?" The boy said, "I am saving starfish." "But," said the man, "the beach goes on for miles and miles, and there are millions and millions of starfish. What difference does it make?" The little boy reached down, picked up one more starfish, tossed it into the ocean and simply said, "Well, it makes a difference to that one." No one of us in this Church can do everything, but all of us in this place can do something in our homes and communities that the light of Christ may shine in the world.

In our first reading, the Lord God through His prophet Isaiah gives us examples of how we are to allow the light of God to shine through us. *"Share your bread with the hungry, sheltering the oppressed and the homeless; clothing the naked when you see them, and not turning your back on your own. Then light shall rise for you in the darkness, and the gloom shall become for you like midday"* (58:7, 10). The refrain for today's Responsorial Psalm (Ps.112), reminds us, *"The just man is a light in the darkness to the upright."* St. Paul, in the second reading, tells us that our proclamation of Faith will carry the Spirit and His power when we rely on the power and wisdom of God. Using two simple metaphors of salt and the light of a city on a mountain in today's Gospel, Jesus outlines the role of Christians in this world. As a symbol of purity, salt was the common ingredient in sacrifices offered to God by Jews and pagans. In the ancient world, salt was the commonest of all preservatives, used to prevent the putrefaction of meat, fish and fruits in pickles. Salt lends flavour to food items and was used to season and preserve food. A light is something which is meant to be seen. A lamp or light is a guide to make clear the way. A light serves also as a warning (e.g., red traffic lights which tell us to halt when there is danger ahead. Finally, light, particularly the sun's, gives warmth and heat

"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

5TH SUNDAY OT

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SATURDAY	8TH FEB	6 00PM	VIGIL
SUNDAY	9TH FEB	10 00 AM	
MONDAY	10TH FEB	9 15 AM	
TUESDAY	11TH FEB	9 15 AM	WHOLE SCHOOL
WEDNESDAY	12TH FEB	9 15 AM	
THURSDAY	13TH FEB	9 15 AM	
FRIDAY	14TH FEB	9 15 AM	

**JACK SCALLY RIP A OLIVE & ROMAN SZUL RIP A
PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
MARGARET DEVONSHIRE RIP
SP INT
CAMILLO, FILOTEA & CELSO RIP
PETER GARNETT RIP
JOSEPH CORCORAN RIP**

SATURDAY CONFESSIONS 5 15 PM – 5 45 PM

SATURDAY	15TH FEB	6 00PM	VIGIL
SUNDAY	16TH FEB	10 00 AM	

**BRIDGET MCTIGUE RIP KATE FERRY RIP A
BRIDIE RAFFELL RIP 5TH A**

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

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 21st February. See Kien for more details.

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 15th/ 16th Feb Parish Ministers

	6 00pm	10 00 am
Extraordinary Ministers:	Robert Cramp Steven Sykes Martina Haggerty Ursula Pearson	Mary Iggulden Kien Kirk Manuel Sarauz
Readers:	Martina Haggerty	Clare Gilheaney
Counters:	Ian & Martina Haggarty	
100 Club Collection:	Brian Lynagh	Nellie Martin

Piety Stall.

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

Cleaning Rota Team One Una Mckeown & Team on Tuesday 11th February. Sunday 16th February: **Team Two-** Tamil Community. Saturday 29th February: **Team Four-** Mary Iggledun & Team.

Weekly Offerings: Gift Aid £163 Loose £569.58 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; **Julia Hughes, Mary Shirly, Jessica Graham, Gerry Burke, Louise Turley, Teresa Olivero, John Bratt, Imelda Cunningham, Peter Gordon, Bridie Cave, Theresa, Joanne Gilsean, 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 all who have recently died **Mary Juckiewicz and Mary Herbert**

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

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 **Wednesday 12th 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.

GUILD OF ST STEPHEN THANKSGIVING MASS For Altar Servers: Sat 7th March @ St Chad's Cathedral, followed by refreshments.

ROTA'S FOR THE READERS, EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS AND COUNTERS ARE AVAILABLE TO PICK UP HIS WEEKEND

"WHENEVER WE ENCOUNTER ANOTHER PERSON IN LOVE, WE LEARN SOMETHING NEW ABOUT GOD." — POPE FRANCIS

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.

Two new statues in church. The Sacred Heart statue was donated to us! The other new statue is Our Lady and the Child Jesus. They will be blessed this week during the Mass on Tuesday when the whole school will be celebrating with the parish on the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes.

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HELPED SUPPORT THE CONFIRMATION MASS ON TUESDAY OF LAST WEEK. PLEASE PRAY FOR THE CHILDREN WHO WERE CONFIRMED AND THEIR FAMILIES.