

Holy Family RC Church Coventry

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7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

SATURDAY	23RD MAY	5 00PM	
SUNDAY	24TH MAY	10 00 AM	
MONDAY	25TH MAY	9 00 AM	
TUESDAY	26TH MAY	9 00 AM	
WEDNESDAY	27TH MAY	9 00 AM	PRIVATE REQUIEM
THURSDAY	28TH MAY	9 00 AM	
FRIDAY	29TH MAY	9 00 AM	
SATURDAY	30TH MAY	5 00PM	
SUNDAY	31ST MAY	10 00 AM	

PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
 PAT KEATING RIP A

VINCENT ANWYL RIP
 Richard Griffiths RIP A
 STELLA MEECHAN RIP
 Philip Gilheany Birthday
 MICK LOWE RIP

PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
 Carmel Bridget Keane RIP A

FR PAT & FR BERNARD WISH TO EXPRESS OUR THANKS FOR THE KINDNESS YOU CONTINUE TO SHOW US AT THIS DIFFICULT TIME

First Reading

Acts of the Apostles 1:12-14

After Jesus' ascension to heaven, the apostles return to Jerusalem and gather in prayer with Mary, the mother of Jesus.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 27:1,4,7-8

The Lord is our salvation.

Second Reading

1 Peter 4:13-16

If you suffer for Christ, you will be blessed.

Gospel Reading

John 17:1-11a

Jesus prays for his disciples.

Please pray for the sick of the parish especially at this time those in care homes and hospital, also **Maura Mulholland, and Carmel Kelly**. Our Lady of Good Health, pray for all the sick and those who care for them.

Our newsletter which will be posted each week on the parish website and deanery website too. <https://coventry-catholicdeanery.org.uk/new/>

Thank you for the messages, the texts, emails, phone calls. We are in this for the long haul. Once the virus has passed though and we come out the other side, we will be able to worship together again at the altar! **PLEASE NOTE SATURDAY EVENING MASS IS AT 5. 00PM EACH WEEK. ALSO REQUIEM MASSES ARE PRIVATE AS ARE ALL MASSES AT THIS TIME. A FUNERAL SERVICE TAKES PLACE LATER IN THE DAY FOR FAMILY.**

Pray for Ronald Dodds, Ann Cullen, Rosemary Skardon, Stella Meechan and Nancy Kieran and all who have died recently. Please pray for the deceased and for their families at this difficult time. **Fr Tim Burke, a priest of the diocese**, was buried in Ireland last week, a great friend of the Pioneers in Coventry and beyond.

Collections: Please continue to support the parish with your weekly offerings this is a vital aspect of parish life. Please put offering envelopes through the door of the presbytery, or save them up until the future day when we will be able to gather together again once more.

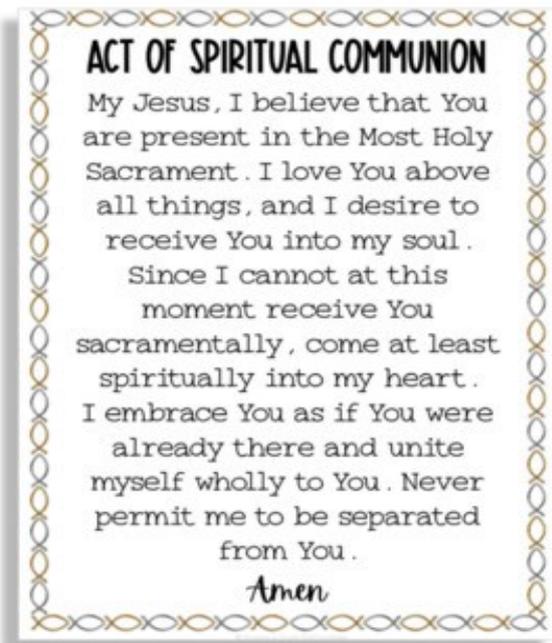
RESOURCES FOR CHILDREN FROM THE SCHOOL WEBSITE FOLLOW THE LINK BELOW

<https://www.holyfamily.coventry.sch.uk/our-journey-in-faith>

Thank you to Mrs Griffiths and the staff for the wonderful work they are doing.

Fr Pat is on twitter @Fr_PatBren and Facebook. I like to post reflections of encouragement there. If you have any intentions for bidding prayers during the weekend or in the week, let me know and I will try to include them.

Fr Bernard has his own email address and that is: anwylb2@btinternet.com



A Lockdown Psalm

I will praise you still

Uncertainty accompanies me,
 a media full of an information frenzy
 impatiently bombards me,
 leaving me with an increasing sense of fearful, incredulity.

There is a sickness in the air
 an unwanted germ, silently
 seeking a home indiscriminately,
 depriving me of my usual company, my friends and family.

Amidst the trepidation,
 a spirit of loving kindness and generosity
 reaches out, to lessen the distance,
 to soothe the anxiety,
 that is caused by isolations captivity.

My tear-filled eyes and beating heart
 marvel at the blessed capacity,
 for authentic goodness
 that exists in the depths of a shared humanity.

O Lord, do not abandon me in an hour of need,
 visit with your loving compassion,
 you who love with a tremendous ferocity,
 a heart brimming over with fidelity,
 a divine advocate, whose abiding care is heavenly.

In my home, peering through my window, I will stand firm,
 my heart visits the meadows of prayer, your love resides there.
 Grateful for life, aware of the fragility of each waking moment
 I will praise you still, in quietness and simplicity, for you are
 Lord forever, my hope for life, for the joy of eternity.

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FROM THE DEANERY WEBSITE:

<https://coventry-catholicdeanery.org.uk/new/>

The links for children’s liturgy and online faith resources can be clicked on at the deanery website. There are good ideas for faith and helping us to keep in touch with faith

Mother Teresa’s Simple Path: A businessman and admirer of Mother Teresa of Calcutta offered to make a set of “business cards” for her work. Imprinted on the small yellow cards, are five lines which outline the direction of what Mother Teresa calls her simple path. The cards read: “The fruit of silence is PRAYER. The fruit of prayer is FAITH. The fruit of faith is LOVE. The fruit of love is SERVICE. The fruit of service is PEACE” (*Mother Teresa, A Simple Path*, Ballantine Books, New York: 1995). This simple path has led Mother Teresa to live her life in union with God and given in loving service to the poorest of the poor. While he was with them, Jesus marked a similar path for his disciples. A life of prayer, faith, love, service and peace was his legacy to them, and before he returned to the Father Who had sent him, Jesus prayed that his followers would persevere in the path Jesus himself had travelled. To aid believers in keeping to the path he had set for them, Jesus promised that he and the Father would come to dwell within them through the Spirit who would remain with them always (recall the gospel for Sixth Sunday of Easter, especially John 14:16-20). In a sense, Jesus was telling his disciples that each of them would become a dwelling place for God, a meeting place of prayer and peace, an Upper Room



Go on the virtual pilgrimage to Lourdes with the archbishop and the diocese from this Sunday. Click the link below for more information for times.
<https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/lourdes-pilgrimage>

Coventry Irish Society

Are there any elderly in the community looking for support. The Irish Society of Coventry are looking to help. moynihnanbecca@gmail.com

Fr Michael Stack is out of hospital and is recovering at his sisters home. We wish him a good recovery and send our prayers to him.

“Open Heaven”

A project asking people to say a prayer for the street that they live on. Between all the churches they hope to cover every street in Coventry. If you want to be involved, you can go on to “Open Heaven” <https://www.openheavencoventry.org/> and register to cover a road, or you can simply email the admin address to promise to cover a road. If you are housebound, you can still offer to pray from your home.