

Holy Family RC Church Coventry

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24TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME YEAR A

SATURDAY 12TH SEPT 10 00 AM
 SATURDAY 12TH SEPT 5 00PM
 SUNDAY 13TH SEPT 10 00 AM

MONDAY 14TH SEPT 9 15 AM
 TUESDAY 15TH SEPT 9 00 AM
 WEDNESDAY 16TH SEPT 9 00 AM
 THURSDAY 17TH SEPT 9 15 AM
 FRIDAY 18TH SEPT 9 15 AM

SATURDAY 19TH SEPT 10 00AM
 SATURDAY 19TH SEPT 5 00PM
 SUNDAY 20TH SEPT 10 00 AM

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PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
 KATHLEEN GRIEVE RIP
 BERNADETTE DUNLEAVY RIP

THANKSGIVING TO OUR LADY
 FR SARVES RIP
 SP INT
 FR EAMON CLARKE RIP
 JOHN MEEHAN RIP

PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
 TINA & PAT TAGGART RIP A
 JONAS SKAMARAUSKAS RIP 6TH (A)

Public Masses

Attendees must
 + Wear a mask
 + Remain 1 metre + apart
 + Sanitise hands
 + Follow the signs
 + Listen to the stewards
 Please Note:
 Please stay at home if...
 + You may have a pre-existing condition
 + You are feeling ill
 + You suspect you may be ill or have been exposed to Covid 19
 + You have a sick family member at home

Holy Communion:

Row by row starting from front.
 Stewards will direct. + Receive in silence by hand only + Masks to be worn to receive the host, then consume, & leave church (Final blessing given before Communion)

Funerals in church. At present the government limit for those present is 30 people so funerals are family invites only.

Thank you to the stewards who are helping to organise the safe entry and exit into church. Kevin McKeever is providing the rota. We do need stewards for funerals, baptisms, and weddings, so if you would like to be a steward let me know please. Cleaning after church is being done each time a congregation has been present.

Extraordinary Ministers rota Sept

Saturday 12th 5 00 pm T Stapleton
 Sunday 13th 10 00 am C Gilheaney

Saturday 19th 5.00pm M Haggarty
 Sunday 20th 10 00am Kien Kirk

Saturday 26th 5 00 pm T Stapleton
 Sunday 27th 10 00 am M Burton

"Every Sunday I pass the Church, I stop for Mass and make a visit, For fear that when I'm carried there The Lord will say, "Who is it?"



Track and Trace.

Please bring with you your name and phone number and put it in the box in the entrance. (If you live in the same household only one name/number is needed) You are asked to do this every time you come to church. After 21 days they will be destroyed. In this way we will always have a current record should NHS Track and Trace teams need to contact you. You will still be able to come into church without providing name and contact number. Face coverings are required unless medical condition prevents

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. **Amen**

Remember the Sunday Obligation has not been restored so Every Day is Like a Sunday! You can go other days in the week if it suits.

Confessions Please ask a steward if you want to go to confession before Mass.

Baptisms and funerals a maximum of 30 people are able to be present.

Offertory Collections

Please place in boxes by entrance and exits Stewards will remind you that you can put your offertory collection in as you enter or leave Mass. There is no offertory collections during Masses.

Collections

29th/30th Aug Gift Aid £301 Loose £300.87

5th 6th Sept Gift Aid £271 Loose £352 Donation £200 Thank You!

Welcome Back!

The toilet will not be in use during Masses at the moment.

**"The Lord never tires of forgiving. It is we who tire of asking for forgiveness."
Pope Francis**

Remember: Wash hands on a regular basis, wear facial coverings and keep a safe distance

First Reading

Ecclesiasticus 27:30—28:9

Those who seek God's mercy must be merciful toward others.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 103:1-4,9-12

A song of praise to God who is kind and merciful.

Second Reading

Romans 14:7-9

We belong to the Lord.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 18:21-35

Jesus teaches that we must forgive one another as God has forgiven us.

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

PLEASE NOTE SATURDAY EVENING MASS IS AT 5. 00PM EACH WEEK.

Please Pray for all who have died recently,

Fr Sarves in India Please pray for the deceased and their families.

Fr Pat is on twitter @Fr_PatBren and Facebook. I like to post reflections of encouragement there. Fr Bernard has his own email address and that is: anwylb2@btinternet.com **The parish webcam** <https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/coventry-holy-family>



-I spoke to a brother whom I have

pardoned." Thirty-nine years ago (1981) there was an attempt on the life of Pope St. John Paul II.

Fortunately, the Pope lived. After he recovered, he shocked the world when he made a visit to Rome's Rabbibia Prison on Christmas Day to see the man who had attempted to assassinate him. Millions watched on television as the Pope, on Christmas Day, visited with Mehmet Ali Agca, who only two years before had tried to assassinate him. The white-robed Pope and jean-clad terrorist huddled

in the dark prison cell for 20 minutes, talking in low voices that could not be heard. When he emerged John Paul explained, "I spoke to a brother whom I have pardoned." We will never forget the headline the next week in *Time Magazine*, "Why forgive?" That is a good question, one that has been asked for centuries. Today's readings give the reasons. Three months after the terrible attack of September 11, 2001, Pope St. John Paul II, in his message for the annual *World Day for Peace*, taught clearly that there can be no peace without justice, and there can be no justice without forgiveness. That's a message that has gone largely unheard and unheeded on all sides of today's conflicts. It's kind of like what Chesterton said about Christianity itself – it hasn't been tried and found wanting; it's been found difficult and left untried.

Scripture Summary

Ecclesiasticus, in the first reading, reminds his listeners that if they don't heal and forgive and show mercy, they can't expect to receive much of that from God in return. It is unwise to nurse grudges and wise to forgive because our life span is very short and our eternal destiny is decided by how we forgive, how we work for reconciliation with those who wound us and how we render humble and loving service to them. In today's Psalm, (Ps 103), the Psalmist sings, "*The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and of great kindness.*" In the second reading, Paul reminds us that we have to forgive others because we belong to Christ who, by his own example in forgiving those who killed Him, taught us how we must forgive in our turn. Since we humans are related to each other as brothers and sisters of Jesus, we are in the family of God, so hatred and bitterness toward anyone should have no place in our hearts. In today's Gospel, through the parable of the two debtors, Jesus teaches us that there should be no limit to our forgiveness and no conditions attached to our reconciliation. We represent the greater debtor in the parable because we commit sins every day and, hence, we need God's forgiveness every day. But we must forgive in order to be forgiven. Jesus explains, after teaching us the prayer *Our Father*, "*For if you forgive men their trespasses, your Heavenly Father also will forgive you.*"

Holy Family Balamma Satram: Please keep in your prayers the founder of the charity in India Fr Sarves, who died this week in India. He was always grateful for the love and support given from parishioners here.