

# Holy Family RC Church Coventry



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## 14TH WEEK ORDINARY TIME

Saturday	3rd July	5 00pm		People of the Parish
Sunday	4th July	10 00 am		Winnie & James Hughes RIP A Richard Moore A
Monday	5th July	<b>9 15 am</b>		Fr Patrick Brennan 29th Ordination A
Tuesday	6th July	9 00 am	Webcam Only	Joan Harrington RIP A
Wednesday	7th July	9 15 am		Iain Richardson RIP A Henry Elizabeth and Mary Cheesmond RIP A
Thursday	8th July	9.15 am		John & Nora Dowd RIP
Friday	9th July	8 00 am	Holy Hour	
Friday	9th July	9 15 am		Fr Sarves RIP
Saturday	10th July	10 00 am	First Holy Communion	
Saturday	10th July	12 00 noon	First Holy Communion	
Saturday	10th July	5 00pm		Fr Brendan Donlan RIP A
Sunday	11th July	10 00 am		Coventry Pioneers

**The Parish Webcam Livestream** [HolyFamily Coventry - YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6HziE4yIJoc)

Funerals are restricted to **FAMILY INVITES ONLY** attending, with the capacity of a socially distanced church building please do not just turn up. If you can't attend then you can watch on the livestream from home. Baptism bookings are being taken.

First Holy Communion Masses next Saturday are for communicant children and invited family only.

We are now livestreaming! The link to Holy Family Church YouTube streams are  
 Main Stream: <https://youtu.be/6HziE4yIJoc>  
 Blessed Sacrament Chapel: <https://youtu.be/nedIJa9gVWs>  
 Or go to YouTube and search Holy Family Coventry livestreaming The link is also on the parish website hf-cov.org.uk Do subscribe to our channel.

**WE DO NOT HAVE AN OFFERTORY COLLECTION TAKEN AROUND DURING MASS BUT THERE ARE BASKETS AT THE FRONT AND SIDE DOORS OF THE CHURCH, IF YOU FORGET TO PUT YOUR OFFERING IN AS YOU COME TO MASS YOU CAN DO SO AT THE END OF MASS.**

THANK YOU FOR THE LOVELY COMMENTS I HAVE RECEIVED THANKING ME FOR GUIDING THE PARISH DILIGENTLY THROUGH THE PANDEMIC. The guidelines for how we celebrate Masses are governed by the governments roadmap and as that changes we respond.

### Are we the "first" Christian?

I always feel that if we examined our conscience with the same gusto that we point out the faults and failings of others, we would be well on the way to sainthood! Each of us is faced with the challenge of what it means to be a Christian. I pose a question for us today: Are we the first Christians? Is it our responsibility to be the first to criticise, or the first to love? Are we the first to find fault, or the first to look for the good? Are we to be the first to rush to judgement on our neighbour, or the first to support and help make a difference. Are we Christians first, before we bristle with self indignation? Are we, you and me, the "first" Christians?

### **First Reading**

*Ezekiel 2:2-5*  
 The Lord sends the prophet Ezekiel to the Israelites.

### **Responsorial Psalm**

*Psalm 123:1-2,3-4*  
 A prayer to God for mercy

### **Second Reading**

*2 Corinthians 12:7-10*  
 Paul bears insults and weakness for the sake of Christ.

### **Gospel Reading**

*Mark 6:1-6*  
 Jesus is rejected in his hometown

**THERE IS TO BE A CAKE SALE NEXT WEEKEND. ALL MONIES ARE RAISED ARE FOR PARISH FUNDS. PLEASE SUPPORT!**

**“OUR DAYS WOULD BE HAPPIER IF WE GAVE PEOPLE A BIT OF OUR HEARTS INSTEAD OF A PIECE OF OUR MINDS.”**

**BAPTISMS** THE NEXT BAPTISM MEETING FOR PARENTS WISHING TO HAVE A BAPTISM IS IN THE CHURCH THIS MONDAY 5TH JULY AT 7 00PM

Mass on Tuesday will be via the web livestream only to communicate with those who are not able to attend Mass more closely.

Pastoral plans for the future of the diocese [www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/vision](http://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/vision)

#### Extra Ordinary Ministers

Sat 10 July Martina Haggarty  
Sun 11 July Deacon Gerry O’Rielly

#### **Collection £704 Thank You!**

#### **Good news to the poor! But are we poor?**

Mother Teresa thought so. There was a beautiful article about her in *Time* magazine. She was asked about the materialism of the West. “The more you have, the more you are occupied,” she contends. “But the less you have the freer you are. Poverty for us is a freedom. It is a joyful freedom. There is no television here, no this, no that. This is the only fan in the whole house...and it is for the guests. But we are happy. “I find the rich poorer,” she continues. “Sometimes they are lonelier inside... The hunger for love is much more difficult to fill than the hunger for bread...The real poor know what joy is.” When asked about her plans for the future, she replied, “I just take one day. Yesterday is gone. Tomorrow has not come. We have only today to love Jesus.” Was there anyone in this Church as rich as Mother Teresa?

#### Heaven on earth!

A taxi driver reaches the Pearly Gates and announces his presence to St. Peter, who looks him up in his Big Book. Upon reading the entry for the Taxi driver, St. Peter invites him to grab a silk robe and a golden staff and to proceed into Heaven. A preacher is next in line behind the Taxi driver and has been watching these proceedings with interest. He announces himself to St. Peter. Upon scanning the preacher’s entry in the Big Book, St. Peter furrows his brow and says, “Okay, we’ll let you in, but take that cotton robe and wooden staff.” The preacher is astonished and replies, “But I am a man of the cloth. You gave that Taxi driver a gold staff and a silk robe. Surely, I rate higher than a Taxi driver.” St. Peter responded matter-of-factly: “Here we are interested in results. When you preached, people slept. When the Taxi driver drove his taxi, people prayed.”

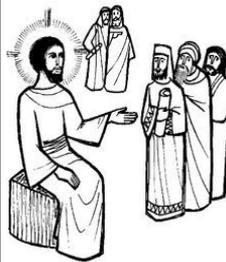
**ALTAR SERVERS ARE ABLE TO RETURN TO SERVING MASS AND ANY NEW VOLUNTEERS ARE VERY WELCOME**

All Masses are livestreamed via YouTube. *Mass is celebrated during this pandemic in a way that we promote safety as a priority; stewards, sanitising, distancing, avoiding groups from different household socialising. There is no physical sign of peace given, Holy Communion is given at the end of Mass and then we are asked to quietly leave and not to mingle outside, but to head off home. For the vulnerable, watching on the webcam is the option to take.*

***Please pray for those who have died recently, in the parish: Funerals are by family invite only and are attended as the numbers of each individual church can safely accommodate***

***Pray for the sick, Gerry Burke, Maisie Hope, Padda Hughes, Philip Gilheaney, and Michael Moten***

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#### Scripture Readings

The first reading, taken from the book of the prophet Ezekiel, tells us about his call from God to be a prophet. Yahweh warns Ezekiel that he is being sent to obstinate and rebellious Israelites in exile in Babylon. Hence, as God’s prophet, he will have to face rejection and persecution for giving God’s message. The reading gives us the warning

that, as Christians who accept the Way of Jesus and seek to follow it, we also may face indifference, hostility, contempt, scorn, weakness, hardship, persecution, insults, and rejection. In the second reading, St. Paul gives us the same warning from his own experience that not only the prophets, but the apostles and missionaries as well, will have to encounter hardships and rejection in their preaching mission. Paul confesses that God gave him a share in Christ’s suffering a chronic illness which caused physical suffering — a “*thorn in the flesh*,” — so that he might rely solely on God’s grace in all his work and might glory in the power of the strengthening God Who alone sustained him. Paul invites us to rise above our own weaknesses and disabilities, cooperate with the grace of God and preach the word of God by word and example as the apostle did. Today’s Gospel passage, Mark 6:1-6 shows us that many people of Jesus’ hometown of Nazareth did not accept Jesus as a prophet because they “knew” Jesus and the family too well. They knew Jesus as a carpenter with no schooling in Mosaic Law and knew that this “son of the carpenter” could not be the promised Messiah who would come from Bethlehem as a descendant of David’s royal family. Besides, they were angry when Jesus not only did not work any miracles in Nazareth but chided them with prophetic courage for their lack of Faith, then left them, to proclaim God’s message, through a preaching, healing ministry to those who would receive it and believe

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