

Holy Family RC Church Coventry

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17TH WEEK ORDINARY TIME

Saturday	24th July	5 00pm		John Vaughan
Sunday	25th July	10 00 am		Jonny Lynch RIP 30th A
<i>Monday</i>	<i>26th July</i>	9 15 am		<i>John Bratt RIP</i>
Tuesday	27th July	9 00 am	Webcam Only	Patrick Ahearn RIP A
Wednesday	28th July	9 15 am		Carmel Kelly (Birthday) RIP
Thursday	29th July	9.15 am		Pauline & Dickie Dunne 60th Wed A
Friday	30th July	8 00 am	Holy Hour	
Friday	30th July	9 15 am		Fr Sarves RIP
Saturday	31st July	5 00pm		People of the Parish
<i>Sunday</i>	<i>1st Aug</i>	<i>10 00 am</i>		<i>Sp Int</i>

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

Funerals, weddings, baptisms, track and trace is recommended. Communion is still to be received as the last act of the Mass, no offertory procession, no sign of peace & Holy Communion under one kind.

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/nedlJa9gVWs>

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.

The guidelines for celebrating the liturgy during the pandemic are constantly being reviewed. The Archbishop has sent parishes a letter from the Office for the bishops of England and Wales, advising caution, as the rates of infection are rising and an instant return to the way things were before is not possible. Sanitising on entry, distancing and facial coverings, are all recommended for the time being as we wait and see how the changes in society affect the pandemic in the coming weeks.

First Reading

2 Kings 4:42-44
 Elisha the prophet feeds 100 people with 20 barley loaves.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 145:10-11,15-16,17-18
 The Lord feeds his people and answers their needs.

Second Reading

Ephesians 4:1-6
 The Ephesians are encouraged to live the unity of their Baptism.

Gospel Reading

John 6:1-15
 Jesus feeds the crowd of more than five thousand people with five barley loaves and two fish.

God's extravagance: Consider our universe. Did you know that if you could bore a hole in the sun and somehow put in 1.2 million earths, you would still have space left over for 4.3 million moons. The sun is 865,000 miles in diameter and 93 million miles away from earth. Pluto, still in our solar system but in the opposite direction, is 2.7 billion miles away. And there are billions of such solar systems. What are they there for? As best we can determine, they have no other purpose than to give us light, and so joy, in the darkness and, perhaps, to serve as a challenge to humanity to keep moving ever outward and upward. Galileo once put it this way, "The sun, which has all those planets revolving about it and depending on it for their orderly functions, can ripen a bunch of grapes as if it had nothing else in the world to do." — And it doesn't! God has brought into being a magnificent creation with the sole purpose of providing for His children's needs. Isn't that mind-boggling? But why such extravagance, why such bounty, why such seeming waste? We find a case of Christ's extravagance in today's Gospel in feeding 5000 people.

“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 2ND AUGUST AT 7 00PM

Mass on Tuesday will be via the web livestream only to communicate with those who are not able to attend Masses physically at present

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.. For the vulnerable, watching on the webcam is the option to take*

Pastoral plans for the future of the diocese www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/vision

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Collection £579.40 Thank You!

Prayer for the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly Pope Francis inaugurates an annual day celebrated each year on the fourth Sunday of July, close to the feast of Sts. Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of Jesus. The theme chosen by the Pope for this first edition this year is “I am with you always” (Mt 28:20).

I thank You, Lord,
for the comfort of Your presence:
even in times of loneliness,
You are my hope and my confidence,
You have been my rock and my fortress since my youth! I thank You for having given me a family and for having blessed me with a long life.
I thank You for moments of joy and difficulty,
for the dreams that have already come true in my life and for those that are still ahead of me.
I thank You for this time of renewed fruitfulness to which You call me. Increase, O Lord, my faith,
make me a channel of your peace,
teach me to embrace those who suffer more than me, to never stop dreaming
and to tell of your wonders to new generations.
Protect and guide Pope Francis and the Church,
that the light of the Gospel might reach the ends of the earth. Send Your Spirit, O Lord, to renew the world, that the storm of the pandemic might be calmed, the poor consoled and wars ended.
Sustain me in weakness and help me to live life to the full in each moment that You give me,
in the certainty that you are with me every day,
even until the end of the age. Amen.

My pet cat Claude, who I have had as a stray for 16 years died last week of old age. He was a constant companion and a source of great joy. Our pets become part of the family indeed!

Please pray for those who have died recently, in the parish and beyond Rosaleen Conway & Hilary Taylor-Wood Fr John Burns

Pray for the sick, Gerry Burke, Maisie Hope, Padda & Julie Hughes, Philip Gilheaney, and Michael Moten and all who carry their illnesses privately.



Today’s readings invite us to become humble instruments in God’s hands by sharing our blessings with our needy brothers and sisters. Miracles can happen through our hands when we collect and distribute to the needy the food destined for all by our generous God. Today’s readings also remind us that if we have been blessed with an abundance of earthly bread, or with the technical capabilities needed to produce such an abundance, then these gifts are for sharing with the hungry. When physical hungers are satisfied, then we are challenged to satisfy the deeper hungers — for love, mercy, forgiveness, companionship, peace, and fulfilment. The first reading tells us how the prophet Elisha, by invoking God’s power, fed one hundred men with twenty barley loaves. This miracle foreshadows the Gospel account of Jesus’ miraculous feeding of the hungry crowd. The Refrain for today’s Responsorial Psalm (Ps 145) has us sing: *“The hand of the Lord feeds us; God answers all our needs.”* The middle verse selected for today affirms, *“The eyes of all look hopefully to You, and You give them their food in due season; You open Your Hand, and satisfy the desire of every living thing”* In the second reading, St. Paul reminds the Ephesians that Jesus united the Jews and the Gentiles, bringing them together as Christians in *“one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of us all Who is above all and through all and in all.”* Hence, he urges them to keep this unity intact as *“one body and one spirit”* by living as true Christians, *“bearing with one another through love,” in humility, gentleness, patience and peace.* If we become such a community, nobody will go hungry, and God will meet the needs of people through the services provided by members of our community. The miraculous feeding of the five thousand people by Jesus, with five barley loaves and two fish, as described in today’s Gospel, is associated in Church tradition with the Holy Eucharist. John’s version of the miracle clearly heightens the Eucharistic allusions when we read it along with the miraculous feeding of 100 men by the prophet Elisha in today’s first reading. But unlike Elisha, Jesus Himself assumed the Divine role, feeding the people with eschatological plenty. The reaction of the people was immediate and unanimous; they interpreted the miracle as a messianic sign and gave Jesus two Messianic titles: *“The prophet”* and *“the one who is to come.”* This miracle teaches us that God works marvels through ordinary people. Elisha’s servant and Jesus’ disciples distributed the bread, provided by God. Thus, God meets the needs of the people through the services provided by the members of His community.

Altar servers are able to return to serving Mass and any new volunteers are very welcome

Extra Ordinary Ministers

Sat 31st July Mary Byrne Sun 1st Aug Carmel O’Sullivan