

Holy Family RC Church Coventry



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25TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME YEAR B

Saturday	18th Sept	5 00pm	
Sunday	19th Sept	10 00 am	
Monday	20th Sept	9 15 am	
Tuesday	21st Sept	9 15 am	
Wednesday	22nd Sept	9 15 am	
Thursday	23rd Sept	9 15 am	
Friday	24th Sept	8 00 am	Holy Hour
Friday	24th Sept	9 15 am	
Saturday	25th Sept	5 00pm	
Sunday	26th Sept	10 00 am	

Vera O’Gorman RIP
 Tina & Pat Taggart RIP A
 Jonas Skamarauskas RIP 7th (A)
People of the Parish
 Fr Sarves RIP
 Paul Ryan RIP

Sp Int
 Deborah Ormsby RIP (Birthday)
 Frank Owens, Mary Ann Owens, Sean Owens RIP A

The Parish Webcam Livestream [HolyFamily Coventry - YouTube](#)

Confessions on request before Mass at weekend. Sunday obligation to return on the 1st Sunday of Advent this year.

CARDINAL NEWMAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL – OPEN EVENING On Monday 20th September from 5.30pm – 7.30pm.

The Covid Pandemic reduced our income from the offertory collections. We continue with the generosity of parishioners to maintain the upkeep of the parish. The Hall is being used at the moment to help to raise back funds for the church. There are a number of solid bookings that we have and the money raised from these is helping in raising funds. We are not using the hall at present for smaller bookings as at present it makes more sense to keep the commitment we have to the existing paid groups using the hall. We hope to have a Christmas Draw this year and also to adjust the 100 club to a monthly draw. Do think about Gift aiding if you are a tax payer and once again thank you for the generosity you have shown and continue to do so.

We are now livestreaming! Main Stream: <https://youtu.be/6HzIE4yJJoc>
 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.

THE OFFERTORY COLLECTION WILL RESUME DURING MASS, YOU CAN STILL PUT YOUR COLLECTION IN AT THE BEGINNING OR THE END OF MASS TOO. DO THINK ABOUT GIFT AIDING IF YOU ARE A TAX PAYER OR TAKING A STANDING ORDER.

Extra Ordinary Ministers Sat 25th Sept Prashadi Rigters Sun 26th Sept Carmel O’Sullivan

Please pray for those who have died recently, in the parish Brenda O’Sullivan, Patrick James Considine, Rosemarie McEvoy and Sue Hughes

Pray for the sick, Gerry Burke, Padda & Julie Hughes, Philip Gilheaney, Teresa Oliverio, Michael Moten, Mick Green, Eleanor Birtles and Sarah Higgins

Altar servers are able to return to serving Mass

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

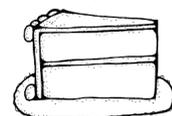
First Reading
Wisdom 2:12,17-20
 The just one is put to the test.

Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 54:3-4,5,6 & 8
 A prayer for God’s protection.

Second Reading
James 3:16—4:3
 James teaches about the wisdom from above.

Gospel Reading
Mark 9:30-37
 Jesus teaches his disciples that the greatest are those who serve all.

CAKE SALE
 Thank you to Mary Byrne arranging the Cake Sale last weekend and for baking the cakes! A sum of £319.20 was raised for parish funds thank you for supporting!



BAPTISMS THE NEXT BAPTISM MEETING FOR PARENTS WISHING TO HAVE A BAPTISM IS IN THE CHURCH ON MONDAY 4TH OCTOBER AT 7 00PM

There is a new email address to contact me for parish enquiries: fr.patrick.brennan@rcaob.org.uk

The Church: A Hospital for Sinners

The church has been described as a hospital for sinners, where we come to seek healing for the wounds of life and medicine for our health, and wellbeing. We are bruised by our experience of life. The second reading at Mass today highlights the bruises and the causes of strife, but also points us towards the chief surgeon Christ who heals our wounds and gives us the abilities to heal in return by our forgiveness, our patience, our understanding and our love. One of the bruises in life is that of pride and thinking ourselves better than others. In the gospel the disciples argue about which of them is the greatest, would that be the strongest, the wisest, the most caring, or patient, or loving even? Jesus brings out a little child to demonstrate to the disciples that faith is not a competition to see who is better, but faith is an act of trusting in the goodness of Christ to heal, to lead, to bring us to the fullness of life. We come to the church, the hospital for sinners, to seek out the chief healer who is Christ. We come to receive grace, and we come to give of ourselves in service of Christ, asking what can we do to help alleviate suffering, to contribute to goodness, to enable healing to take hold in our lives and the lives of others? May our pride not be in ourselves but rather be in Christ, who heals our wounds, and who nurses us back to a full healthy faith.

“Our days would be happier if we gave people a bit of our hearts instead of a piece of our minds.”

Collection £512.24 Thank You! The church sacristy is being painted due to the water damage.

FATHER HUDSON’S CARE HOME St Joseph's Care Home offers a range of personalised services including residential care, specialised dementia care and short-term respite care. For more information or to book a virtual tour then please quote SJ1 and contact Care Home www.stjosephscarehome.co.uk

Afternoon Tea for Retired Priests

On Wednesday 29th of September Holy Family is hosting an Afternoon Tea for some of the retired priests of the diocese. As part of my pastoral responsibilities towards the retired priests of the archdiocese I have organised this event. Archbishop Bernard is attending. Do keep our retired priests in your prayers.

Catholic Grace

Soothing water is poured forth,
accompanied by anointing
with an oil of healing balm,
flowing towards a dawning understanding,
a grasping of the meaning of living.

God’s very gift
of life’s intoxicating elixir of grace,
released in sanctifying waves,
lapping the shores of the soul,
knocking upon the door of the heart,
actual grace,
allowing life’s fulness to be discovered in living.

Holiness is not an unreachable,
untouchable possession, of someone else’s deserving,
but a value worth seeking,
one tangibly forged in demonstrating a life
spent in pursuit of a humility of service,
a life of hope, punctuated by this grace
revealed in its grateful receiving,
expressed in the generosity of giving,
embracing fully, the abundance of living.

The Wisdom of the Saints

“Pain and suffering have come into your life, but remember pain, sorrow, suffering are but the kiss of Jesus — a sign that you have come so close to Him that He can kiss you.” *St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta*

“Without the burden of afflictions it is impossible to reach the height of grace. The gift of grace increases as the struggle increases.” *St. Rose of Lima*

“A humble soul does not trust itself, but places all its confidence in God.” *St. Faustina*

“Faith is to believe what you do not see. The reward of faith is to see what you believe.” *St. Augustine of Hippo*

“I distrust a charity that costs nothing and does not hurt.” *Pope Francis*

“Anxiety is the greatest evil that can befall a soul except sin. God commands you to pray, but He forbids you to worry.” *St. Francis de Sales*

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FLORILEGIUM: A festival of Scripture, Art and Flowers will be held at Carrs Lane Centre and St Michael’s Catholic Church, Birmingham, between Thursday 23 and Saturday 25 September. Book tickets now for free workshops, talks and a Saturday night concert. More information available via the Archdiocese website: www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/florilegium

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT COURSE WITH THE ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM “An inspiring and practical series aimed at people of all ages to help them encounter the Holy Spirit and empower them to share their faith”. For more information: <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/Event/life-in-the-spirit-course-with-the-archdiocese-of-birmingham>