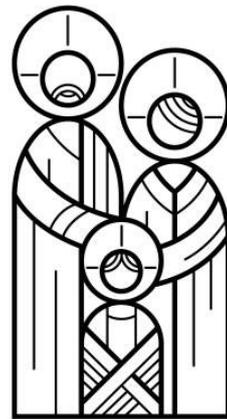


# Holy Family RC Church Coventry



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## 29TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME YEAR B

Saturday	16th Oct	5 00 pm		Philomena Lyttle RIP A Peter McDonald 17th A RIP
Sunday	17th Oct	10 00 am		John & Catherine Boyle deceased
Monday	18th Oct	9 15 am		Boneham Family Ints
Tuesday	19th Oct	10.00 am		Norah Shaw 100th Birthday
Wednesday	20th Oct	9 15 am		Fr Sarves RIP & John Boyle
Thursday	21st Oct	8 00 am	Holy Hour	
Thursday	21st Oct	9 15 am		Martin Stapleton RIP A
Friday	22nd Oct		No Mass	
Saturday	23rd Oct	5 00 pm		John Ferry RIP A
Sunday	24th Oct	10 00 am		People of the Parish

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

**Holy Hour this week is 8 00am on Thursday. There is no Holy Hour or Mass on Friday this week as it is Fr Bernard's brother Peters funeral in Lancashire. The Mass on Tuesday is at 10 00 am as is a 100th Birthday celebration for Norah Shaw. Norah will be coming to the Mass and we wish her many congratulations!**

**We are now livestreaming! HolyFamily Coventry - YouTube**

Main Stream: <https://youtu.be/6HziE4yJjoc>

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.

**THE OFFERTORY COLLECTION HAS RESUMED 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 23rd Oct Martina Haggarty Sun 24th Oct Carmel O'Sullivan

It is still recommended that we sanitise when entering church and that we wear face coverings when gathering in church with large numbers present. Funerals and other events fit into the same expectation. Covid-19 is still around and people are being infected still. It is advisable to keep the guidelines for a little while longer. Thank you for following the safety guidelines.

**Please pray for those who have died recently, in the parish and beyond Peter Anwyl, (Fr Bernard's brother) Kate FitzGerald (McIntock) Philip Gilheaney**

**Pray for the sick, Mick Green, Gerry Burke, Julie Hughes, Teresa Oliverio, D Donato, Michael Moten, Mick Green, Eleanor Birtles and Sarah Higgins**

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

**Readers Thank you to those who have volunteered to read. Anyone who would like to be a reader let me know and a rota will be produced from Advent onwards.**

**There is a pastoral Letter read out from the Archbishop at Masses over this weekend.**

## First Reading

*Isaiah 53:10-11*

Through his suffering, the servant of Yahweh will justify many.

## Responsorial Psalm

*Psalm 33:4-5,18-19,20,22*

A prayer of praise for God's mercy

## Second Reading

*Hebrews 4:14-16*

Jesus is the high priest who sympathizes with our weakness.

## Gospel Reading

*Mark 10:35-45 (shorter form*

*Mark 10:42-45)*

Jesus teaches that those who wish to be great must be the servant of all.

## Young at Heart

Thursday at 10 am. Meeting in the hall this week. All welcome.



**BAPTISMS THE NEXT MEETING FOR PARENTS WISHING TO HAVE A BAPTISM IS IN THE CHURCH ON TUESDAY 2ND NOVEMBER AT 7 00PM**

**There is a new email address to contact me for parish enquiries:** [fr.patrick.brennan@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:fr.patrick.brennan@rcaob.org.uk)

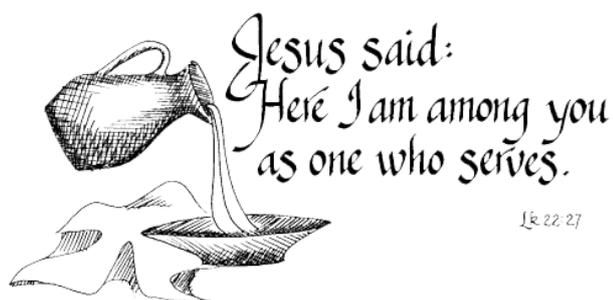
**“Our days would be happier if we gave people a bit of our hearts instead of a piece of our minds.”**

Collection £643.83. Thank You! The Harvest collection from the school was donated to the Food Bank. Thank you!

**A Lunchtime Prayer:** Written by a Cardinal Newman Student Sonny McGovern ***“We thank you Lord for the food before us, the roof over us, the friends around us, and the love within us. Amen. St John Henry Newman Pray for us.***

**Scripture lessons summarised:** The first reading is a Messianic prophecy taken from the *Fourth Servant Song* in the second part of the Book of the Prophet Isaiah. The *Servant* of the first reading intercedes with God for the people, taking upon himself their wrongdoings and accepting the punishment their sins have incurred. This passage speaks of the servant as giving *“his life as an offering for sin.”* The prophecy was realized in Jesus who lived and died for others. Out of love, Jesus, the servant, lived and died so that the unjust might know God’s justification. Today’s Responsorial Psalm (Ps 33) instructs us, *“See, the eyes of the Lord are upon those who fear Him, upon those who hope for his Kindness, / to deliver them from death and preserve them in spite of famine,”* The second reading, taken from the letter to the Hebrews, notes that Jesus, as God willed, became the mediator or priest for the people. The reading speaks of a High Priest, able to sympathize with us in our weakness. Because Jesus was tested in every way, though sinless, we can “confidently” hope for God’s mercy. Today’s Gospel lesson explains how Jesus accomplished the Messianic mission of saving mankind by becoming the “Suffering Servant” and challenged the disciples to become great by serving others: *“Whoever wishes to be great must be a servant.”* In the time of Jesus, ransom was the price paid to free someone from slavery. Sometimes the ransomer offered himself as a substitute for the slave. Jesus’ death on the cross was just such a liberating offering made for mankind. The “slavery” mandated by Jesus is a loving service of liberation for others

**Carrot flight to heaven:** Rev. Anthony DeMello S. J. shares this tale: An old woman was dying. While examining her records, the Heavenly court could not find a single act of charity performed by her except for a carrot she had once given to a starving beggar. Such, however, was the power of a single deed of love that the merciful Lord decreed that she be taken up to Heaven on the strength of that carrot. The angel brought back the carrot from heaven and gave it to her soul which was leaving her body. The moment she caught hold of the carrot, it began to rise as if pulled by some invisible string, lifting her up toward the sky. The soul of a beggar appeared. He clutched the hem of her garment and was lifted with her; a third person caught hold of the beggar’s foot and was lifted too. Soon there was a long line of souls being lifted up to Heaven by that carrot. And, strange as it may seem, the woman did not feel the weight of all those people who held onto her. In fact, since she was looking Heavenward, she did not even see them. Higher and higher they rose until they almost reached the Heavenly gates. That was when the woman looked back to catch a last glimpse of the earth and saw this whole train of people behind her. She was indignant! She gave an imperious wave of her hand and shouted, “Off! Off, all of you! This carrot is mine!” In making her proud gesture, she let go of the carrot for a moment – and down she fell with the entire train. — De Mello concludes: There is only one cause for every evil on earth: the “‘This is mine!’ attitude Today’s Gospel describes how Jesus handled greed in two disciples



Our example is Jesus, the crucified, the Risen, so beautifully depicted as the Suffering Servant. His story is of victory, not defeat, life not death!

**Today’s Gospel message (Omega-the Last)**

- We should be the last to leave the side of a sick bed.
- We should be the last to let a grieving spouse sit alone.
- We should be the last to write off the children whose parents have failed them or thrown them away.
- We should be the last to ignore the homeless camped out along our streets.
- We should be the last to allow hunger to gnaw at the bellies of our neighbours.
- We should be the last to shrug our shoulders at ongoing environmental degradation.
- We should be the last to let despair grind down the powerless.
- We should be the last to condone cruelty of any kind, to any living thing.
- We should be the last to let human hatred triumph over Divine love.

