

Holy Family RC Church Coventry



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32ND SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

Saturday	6th Nov	5 00 pm		John Meehan RIP A
Sunday	7th Nov	10 00 am		Edward McNiff RIP A
Sunday	7th Nov	5 00 pm	Reception	Donato Demarinis RIP
Monday	8th Nov	9 15 am		John Murray 3rd A RIP
Monday	8th Nov	1 00 pm	Requiem Mass	Donato Demarinis RIP
Tuesday	9th Nov	9 15 am		Fr Sarves RIP
Wednesday	10th Nov	9 15 am		Harold Adderley RIP
Thursday	11th Nov	9 15 am		John & Molly Martin RIP
Friday	12th Nov	8 00 am	Holy Hour	
Friday	12th Nov	9 15 am		Deceased Priests of the Parish
Saturday	13th Nov	5 00 pm		Rita Faries RIP A
Sunday	14th Nov	10 00 am		John, Catherine & Nicholas Boyle RIP

Confessions on request before Mass at weekend. Note: The Sunday obligation has not returned yet.

This Tuesday at 12 noon at St John Fisher the annual Mass for deceased clergy of the deanery takes place

We are now livestreaming!

HolyFamily Coventry - YouTube
 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.

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 13th Nov Tony Stapleton Sun 14th Nov Prashadi Rigters

We sanitise when entering church and we wear face coverings when gathering in church with large numbers present. Funerals and other events fit into the same expectation. 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 Phyllis Oliver and Donato Demarinis, Ann Deehan, Colin Fisher

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

Pastoral plans for the future of the diocese 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.

Our MP Taiwo Owatemi will visit the parish this weekend, a chance to welcome and also challenge too. Topics about assisted dying, abortion are as relevant as social and economic issues

First Reading

1 Kings 17:10-16
 Through Elijah, a widow and her son are blest with enough flour and oil to supply them for a year.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 146:7,8-9 9-10
 A prayer of praise to God who raises up the lowly

Second Reading

Hebrews 9:24-28
 Christ died once to take away sin; he will return again to bring salvation.

Gospel Reading

Mark 12:38-44
 Jesus notices a poor widow's offering and commends her great sacrifice.

Young at Heart

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



BAPTISMS MEETING FOR PARENTS WISHING TO HAVE A BAPTISM IS IN THE CHURCH ON MONDAY 6TH DECEMBER AT 7 00PM

There is a new email address to contact me for parish enquiries: 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 Totals next week. Thank You! **Cake Sale raised over £345 many thanks for your support**

Introduction: Today's readings invite us to surrender our lives to God with a humble and generous heart by serving others lovingly and sacrificially. It is the self-giving in the gift, the heart in the sacrifice behind it, and the love and concern involved in it which God counts. God sees the inner motives and hidden intentions of our gifts and notices the ways it costs us. The first reading and the Gospel today present poor widows who sacrificially gave their whole lives and means of livelihood to God, foreshadowing the supreme sacrifice Jesus would offer by giving His life for others. In the reading from the First Book of Kings, a poor widow who has just enough food for a single meal for herself and her son, welcomes the prophet Elijah as a man of God, shares her food with him and receives her reward in the form of a continuing daily supply of food. Today's Responsorial Psalm (Ps 146) is the first in the final group of Hallel psalms. In it, we sing of the ways God, who created all that is, never fails in His loving-kindness toward the needy and all in distress, including widows. In the Gospel, Jesus contrasts the external signs of honour sought by the scribes with the humble, sacrificial offering of a poor widow and declares that she has found true honour in God's eyes. The poor widows in both the first reading and the Gospel gave away all that they possessed for the glory of God. The second reading tells us how Jesus, as the High Priest of the New Testament, surrendered His life to God His Father totally and unconditionally as a sacrificial offering for our sins – a sacrifice far beyond the sacrifices made by the poor widows.

Youth Group & Children's Liturgy

The Youth group meets Tuesdays the 7–8 30 pm in the Parish Hall.

We are hoping to start the Children's Liturgy in the near future. We will therefore require volunteers to help take turns in leading the liturgy. A reminder that the Children's Liturgy takes place during the 10 am Sunday Mass, at the beginning of Mass the children and those who are helping with the liturgy go into the side chapel for their own version of the readings, so as to help them better understand. If you want to help please let Fr Pat know.

Christ The King: Christmas Community Lunch. Monday 6th December 12.15 pm Silver Service, 3 course traditional Christmas dinner, tea/coffee mince pies, Entertainment and treats. Limited tickets available, £20 pp
June 02476 332744. Helen 02476 275775

Boxes of Christmas cards will be on the table at the back of church in a couple of weeks time for sale and will be individually priced with a basket beside for the money

November Lists. There are envelopes at the back for you to list the names of those who have died and we will remember them during Masses in November, you may add a donation if you wish. Four Masses will be celebrated to remember our loved ones, parishioners, clergy, and those who have died in the pandemic. There is also a book of Remembrance where the anniversaries of loved ones can be added.



When Giving Becomes a Sacrifice: **St. Teresa of Calcutta** (Mother Teresa) said, “If you give what you don't need, it isn't giving.” She used to tell a story of how one day she was walking down the street when a beggar came up to her and said, “Mother Teresa everybody is giving to you, I also want to give to you. Today for the whole day I got only fifteen rupees (thirty cents). I want to give it to you.” Mother Teresa thought for a moment: “If I take the thirty cents, he will have nothing to eat tonight, and if I don't take it I will hurt his feelings. So I put out my hands and took the money. I have never seen such joy on anybody's face as I saw on the face of that beggar at the thought that he too could give to Mother Teresa.” She said that gift meant more to her than winning the Nobel Prize. Mother Teresa went on: “It was a big sacrifice for that poor man, who had sat in the sun the whole day long and received only thirty cents. — Thirty cents is such a small amount and I can get nothing with it, but as he gave it up and I took it, it became like thousands because it was given with so much love. God looks not at the greatness of the work, but at the love with which it is performed.” (Flor McCarthy in *New Sunday & Holy Day Liturgies*).

There is to be a Christmas Draw this year and the tickets will go on sale from the 13/14th November onwards. There is a cash first prize and other prizes too. Monies are raised for the parish.

The Synod 2021-23 More information can be found on the diocesan website:

[The Synod, 2021 - 2023 | Birmingham Diocesan Trust \(birminghamdiocese.org.uk\)](https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk)

Diocesan Vision, Unfolding God's Plan

A two-year synodal process is taking place in the Catholic Church from October 2021 that culminates in the final Synod Gathering of Bishops in Rome in October 2023. The overall theme is 'For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, Mission'. The Synod focuses on many of the same areas we are hoping to renew through the Diocesan Vision, and so we will use the outcomes of the Synodal process to continue to grow as a diocese that is faithful to the mission entrusted to us by Jesus Christ full of missionary disciples who work together co-responsibly in vibrant communities of faith, joyful in their service of God and neighbour.