

Holy Family RC Church Coventry

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2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

Saturday	27th Feb	5 00pm		Denis Edwards RIP Jenny Bratt birthday
Sunday	28th Feb	10 00 am		Bart Quinn RIP
Sunday	28th Feb	5 00 pm	Webcam Only	Stations of the Cross
Monday	1st March	9 15 am		John Byrne RIP A
Tuesday	2nd March	9 00 am	Webcam Only	Frances Tierny RIP
Wednesday	3rd March	9 15 am		Sp Int
Thursday	4th March	9 15 am		Fr Sarves RIP
Thursday	4th March	11 30 am	Requiem Mass (Family Only)	Margaret Vaughan RIP
Friday	5th March	8.00 am	Holy Hour	
Friday	5th March	9 15 am		Fr Bob Wright RIP 1st A
Saturday	6th March	5 00pm		Winifred & Pat O'Sullivan RIP
Sunday	7th March	10 00 am		People of the Parish
Sunday	7th March	5 00 pm	Webcam Only	Stations of the Cross

The parish webcam <https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/coventry-holy-family>

Funerals are restricted to 30 people attending and are therefore Family Invite only. Please do not gather in the car park for funerals if you are unable to attend the church, at this time you are advised to watch on the webcam from home.

Walk With me booklets. Please do take a copy and if you know someone who would benefit from one take one and post through their letterbox. **Collections:** £606.22

Thank you. **100 Club** : See Sheet at back of church for Winners

I will be taking a census later this year. How we recover from the pandemic will involve much co operation, support and work, to build up the fabric of parish life. Asking how can I help, is better than pointing out what is lacking.

Two old men are chatting. One man says, "My friend, you must try this memory pill I'm taking. I remember everything. It's an amazing memory booster." The other man says, "Sounds wonderful. What is the name of the pill?" The first man says, "Hmm! The name of the pill ... Let's see ... Hmmm, what is the name of the flower produced on a garden plant with thorns? It's red ... You give it on Valentine's Day." The other man says, "A rose?" The first man says, "Yes, that's right!" Then, calling for his wife, he says, "Rose, what is the name of that pill which I take to boost my memory?"



The location of the Transfiguration was probably Mount Hermon in North Galilee, near Caesarea Philippi, where Jesus had camped a week before this wondrous event. Mt. Hermon was a desolate mountain, 9200 feet high. The traditional oriental belief that Transfiguration took place on Mount Tabor is based on Psalm 89:12. But Mount Tabor is a small mountain or a big hill in the south of Galilee, less than 1000 feet high, with a Roman fort built on it. Hence, it would have been an unlikely place for solitude and prayer.

First Reading

Genesis 22:1-2,9a,10-13,15-18
 Abraham obeyed God and prepared to offer his son, Isaac, as a sacrifice.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 116:10,15,16-17,18-19
 A prayer of faithfulness to God

Second Reading

Romans 8:31b-34
 God's faithfulness is shown in his offering of his own Son for our salvation.

Gospel Reading

Mark 9:2-10
 Jesus is transfigured in the presence of Peter, James, & John

"Lent is the time of grace that liberates the heart from vanity. It is a time of healing from addictions that seduce us. It is a time to fix our gaze on what abides." **Pope Francis**

All Masses are livestreamed via MCN webcam and soon we will be livestreaming on YouTube also which will be with an improved camera. This week Mass can be attended Monday 9 15am -Webcam Mass only on Tuesday at 9 00 and then Wed-Friday at 9 15 am. *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. 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 some who are vulnerable watching on the webcam is the option to take.*

Please pray for those who have died recently, in the parish:

Margaret Vaughan, Funeral 4th March Frances Tierny, Davey Stokes and Fr Ollie Kemp (a former assistant priest here at Holy Family, a priest of the archdiocese.) Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord... Funerals are limited to 30 people and are family attendance only.

Keep all who are sick in your prayers are prayer are asked for Imelda Cunningham at this time.

Fr Bernard has his own email anwylb2@btinternet.com

This Year is designated the year of St Joseph, by Pope Francis and a new statue of St Joseph has been donated by some of our parishioners and has now arrived from Italy. The statue has been blessed last weekend and put in place. During this year dedicated to St Joseph a prayer has been composed to be said at Masses.

Dementia: A thief in the night

A thief arrived in the darkness of the night
Swooping towards me, evading my failing sight
A silent intruder who took my memory clean away
Frustration now gnaws at the dawning of a new day
A precious treasure was ruthlessly stolen from me
Denying with cruelty the telling of my recent history
Bereft, head bowed in grief, I lament missing years
Adrift from my memories, as my dignity disappears
Dishevelled, confused, a whisper of my former self
Praying for the cure to be returned to good health
A hand holds mine, kind eyes look into my weary face
A word of love, a gentle kiss, a tender moment of grace
Then lost to a world of wondering, of not remembering
Premature mourning is the curse of dementia's ageing.

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The work of a priest takes place on the altar, though he has many offices, that stretch from the sanctuary, to the confessional, and also into the day to day interaction with people. Visiting those who suffer from dementia is a heart breaking task, especially for those who knew the person affected; loved ones, friends, family members. Listening to those who suffer with, or those who suffer as a cause of dementia I have been touched,

moved by the stories. I have tried to write a poem this year for the week of prayer for dementia (March), and I offer it as my prayer for all who I know who have dementia, or who are living with the consequences of dementia. May the gentle touch and kindness of loved ones, and the caress of faith, sooth the wearying sadness that comes from dementia.

Prayer to St Joseph

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage,
and defend us from every evil. Amen.

Easter Parish Prize Draw:

To take place Easter week this year. Tickets £1 Per Strip. Available from this weekend.

"£100 cash prize, Easter hamper, Easter egg, Whiskey, Wine and other prizes."

To support the parish in this time of pandemic.

Many thanks to your generosity after the appeal last week for prizes to be donated we now have the cash prize, Easter hamper, chocolate hamper's and the other prizes too.

Saturday 6th March 5 00pm Extra Ordinary Minister Tony Stapleton Sunday 7th Extra Ordinary Minister 10 am Kien Kirk
Coventry St Patrick's Day Mass Monday 15th March 7 00pm @Christ the King church.

Even though the road outside church is closed, it does have access from Penny Park Lane. Parking in Hall is not affected.

Second Sunday of

