

Holy Family RC Church Coventry

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17TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME YEAR A

SATURDAY	25TH JULY	10 00 AM	
SATURDAY	25TH JULY	5 00PM	
SUNDAY	26TH JULY	10 00 AM	
MONDAY	27TH JULY	9 15 AM	
TUESDAY	28Y JULY	9 00 AM	WEBCAM ONLY
WEDNESDAY	29TH JULY	9.00 AM	WEBCAM ONLY
THURSDAY	30TH JULY	9 15 AM	
FRIDAY	31ST JULY	9 15 AM	
SATURDAY	1ST AUG	10 00AM	
SATURDAY	1ST AUG	5 00PM	
SUNDAY	2ND AUG	10 00 AM	

PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
 Martin O’Gorman RIP A
 PATRICK AHEARN RIP A
 CARMEL KELLY RIP
 MARGARET KEANE RIP A
 MICHAEL PORTER & FAMILY INTS
 INTS OF BETTY
 CANON ARTHUR DIAMOND RIP A
 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
 FR SAVRES GET WELL
 GERRY AND EILEEN O’REILLY

Public Masses 25th July 2020

- + Saturday 10.00am
- + Saturday Vigil 5.00 pm
- + Sunday 10.00 am
- + Mon, Thurs and Fri 9.15 am
- + **Tues Wed 9.00 am. (Private Webcam only)**

Attendees must

- + Wear a mask
- + Remain 1 metre + apart
- + Sanitise hands on entering and exiting the Church
- + Follow the signs
- + Listen to the stewards who will point out where you can sit. There are Family areas so families can sit together (please note you may not be able to sit in your normal seat for now)

During Mass There are No...

- + No Altar servers (Just 1 MC Robert)
- + No Offertory procession
- + No Physical sign of peace
- + No Chalice distribution
- + No Parish missals or hymn books
- + No Singing

Holy Communion: Row by row starting from front. Stewards will direct.

- + Receive in silence by hand only
- + Masks to be worn to receive the host, then consume, and leave church (Final blessing given before Communion)
- + The Church will be disinfected after each Mass

Please Note:

Please stay at home if...

- + You may have a pre-existing condition
- + You are feeling ill
- + You suspect you may be ill or have been exposed to Covid 19
- + You have a sick family member at home



**GIFT AID AND PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES
 THOSE WHO HAVE NOT COLLECTED THEM
 YET THEY ARE ON THE TABLE AT THE BACK
 OF CHURCH.**

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. **Amen**

Remember the Sunday Obligation has not been restored so Every Day is Like a Sunday! You can go other days in the week if it suits.

Funerals can take place in church and are at present limited to 30 attending

Confessions Please ask a steward if you want to go to confession before Mass.

Baptisms will resume late August with a maximum of 30 people present.

Offertory Collections

Please place in boxes by entrance and exits Stewards will remind you that you can put your offertory collection in as you enter or leave Mass. There is no offertory collections during Masses.

Collection Gift Aid £334 Loose £426 Donation £100 Thank You!

Fr Pat will do the readings at Mass. There will be no congregational singing, prayers of the faithful or sign of peace during the Masses at a time of pandemic.

Extraordinary Minister

Sat 10 am

Sat 5 pm

Sunday 10.00

First Reading

1 Kings 3:5,7-12

Solomon pleases God when he asks for a wise and understanding heart to better govern the people.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 119:57,72,76-77,127-130

The law of the Lord is more precious than silver and gold.

Second Gospel Reading

Romans 8:28-30

God chose us to be conformed to the image of his Son.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 13:44-52 (shorter form: Matthew 13:44-46)

Jesus teaches about the Kingdom of Heaven.

Our newsletter which will be posted each week on the parish website and deanery website too. <https://coventry-catholicdeanery.org.uk/new/>

PLEASE NOTE SATURDAY EVENING MASS IS AT 5. 00PM EACH WEEK.

Please Pray for all who have died recently, Daniel M Cunningham and Brian Burke Please pray for the deceased and their families.

Thank you to those who have volunteered, to help at Masses. There will be Rota's in the newsletter and sent via email for stewards and cleaners and Extraordinary Ministers who have volunteered to help.

Fr Pat is on twitter @Fr_PatBren and Facebook. I like to post reflections of encouragement there. Fr Bernard has his own email address and that is: anwylb2@btinternet.com **The parish webcam** <https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/coventry-holy-family>

Welcome Back!

Though the Mass will be celebrated differently to normal it is good to be back. Face coverings are compulsory while attending church. The toilet will not be in use. Please respect the regulations and follow instructions Holy Communion will be offered row by row, starting from the front. Stewards will be in place at the end of the bench to direct you forward. Once you have received Holy Communion please leave straight away by the side door exists. A private thanksgiving for Communion is to be said as you walk from church.



In today's Gospel, Jesus concludes a long series of parables about the reign of God by praising those wise men and women who have listened carefully, understood and responded to his message. The first reading tells us how the young King Solomon opted for the great treasure of accepting God to rule his life and then doing God's will. That is why he asked of God "an understanding heart" *to distinguish right from wrong*, so that he might govern God's people properly. Yahweh was pleased with his request and granted him *a wise and discerning heart* which enabled him to surpass everyone in wisdom. In today's Responsorial Psalm (Ps 119), the psalmist says of the commands of God, *"For I love Your commands more than gold however fine. For in all Your precepts, I go forward; every false way I hate,"* thus showing real Wisdom. In the second reading, Paul teaches that the wisdom to perceive God's grace is essential for those who want to follow Him and to do His will, thus remaining in His kingdom. He assures Rome's Christian community that *"all things work for good for those who love God, who are called according to His purpose."* In the Gospel, Jesus teaches us that God's Kingdom (the rule of God in us; our acceptance of Jesus as our God and Saviour, then putting our Faith in him, and doing His will), is something of extraordinary value, like a hidden treasure or costly pearl, and that safeguarding it within us calls for total commitment. The Kingdom of God is God's reign in our hearts, in our lives, in our homes, in our society, and in our world. Only those who develop a searching mind and are willing to give up everything for the great treasure of God's Kingdom will be rewarded. Through the first and second parables, of the treasure and the pearl, Jesus teaches us that identifying God's will and living according to the Gospel, both with His help, are the most precious and worthwhile things in life. Through Jesus and his Gospel, we come to know and understand the real meaning of life and the most important things we must do to secure our eternal salvation.

Little Mary listened intently in Sunday school while the teacher explained the parable of the "treasure" and "pearl" and gave a detailed description of eternal bliss in Heaven. She concluded her class asking the question, "All those who are ready to go to Heaven, raise your hands." Every hand went up except one. "Don't you want to go to Heaven, Mary?" asked the teacher. "Not this minute," Mary replied, "Mom was baking apple pie when I left