

Holy Family RC Church Coventry



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6th Sunday Easter

Saturday	13th May	5.00pm		People of the Parish
Sunday	14th May	10 00 am		Joe Dunphy RIP
Monday	15th May	9 15 am		Fr Sarves RIP
Tuesday	16th May	9 15 am		Teresa Dolan RIP
Wednesday	17th May	9 15 am		Sp Int
Thursday	18th May	9 15 am	Whole School	Sp Int
Thursday	18th May	1.00 pm	Funeral Service	Michael (Chris) O'Donoghue RIP
Thursday	18th May	6 30 pm	Ascension	Bridie Harkin RIP
Friday	19th May	8 00 am	Holy Hour	
Friday	19th May	9 15 am		Gerry Campbell RIP

Confessions 4 15 pm until 4 45 pm on Saturdays

Sat	20th May	5 00 pm	Vigil	People of the Parish
Sun	21st May	10 00 am		D B Rodrigues RIP

Pray for those who have died recently

Mary (Pearl) Briscoe and Michael O'Donoghue

Pray for the sick of the parish especially: James Walker, Gerry Burke, Julie Hughes, Bridie Cave, Michael Moten, Sarah Higgins, Mary Adderley, Bridie Scally, Una McKeown, Patsy Farrell, Michael Ryan, Brigid Reilly, John Vaughan, Bernie Kelly, Anthony Davis, Mary Rooney and Margaret Crean

WEEKDAY MASSES:

IN ST JOSEPH'S WEEKDAY CHAPEL (EXCEPT FUNERALS AND WHOLE SCHOOL MASSES)

Anyone wishing to be an altar server please see Fr Pat

BAPTISMS MEETING FOR PARENTS WISHING TO HAVE A CHILD BAPTISED IS IN THE CHURCH JUNE 5TH AT 7 00PM

Weekly Collections: 1st £825 Thank You!

We are now livestreaming! Holy Family Coventry - YouTube

Main Stream: <https://youtu.be/6HzIE4yJoc>

Young at Heart: Thursday 10 am

Langar Aid

All Donated food put in basket at back of church please.. Thank you for your continuing support!

Congratulations to those who made their 1st Holy Communion in the parish this Saturday!

Extra Ordinary Ministers 20th May Saturday Tony Stapleton 21st May Sunday C O'Sullivan D Gough

Knitting group moving to the 2nd Monday each month at 10 am all welcome!

BEING A WELCOMING CHURCH WORKSHOPS -

At Father Hudson's we know that so much already happens in parish communities, doing what they can to welcome the refugee, help the homeless, support those living with dementia, and valuing the contribution to parish liturgical and community life of those who experience disability. We want to encourage the social mission of the Church by sharing our own experience in these areas of need, and the experience of parishioners from around the Diocese, to foster the great work in parishes. You can join in our third online evening meeting, on Monday 22nd May, from 7.30 to 8.30 p.m. The session is on 'Disability'; there is no charge, simply email fundraising@fatherhudsons.org.uk to register

The toilets are out of order at present. Please do not put any objects down the Toilet as a blockage has been caused and will be addressed this coming week.

Thursday is the Holy Day of the Ascension Masses are at 9 15 am and 6 30 pm on Thursday

Today's Gospel Reading continues the Farewell Discourse of Jesus, recorded by St. John. This reading is ideally situated in the Liturgical Year to anticipate the coming feasts of Ascension and Pentecost. We hear of Jesus' immanent departure and the promise that he will ask the Father to send us the Holy Spirit. The Easter Liturgy makes us feel both the intense, saving initiative of our loving God, and the deep demands He makes of us as "resurrection people." It also reminds us that to meet these demands we need the inner strength of the promised, coming Holy Spirit. He comes as our Advocate Who will gently indicate to us the way we should go, point out the "potholes," (bad habits), we need to repair, and reveal our relationships in need of further inspection or care. Hence, from Easter to Pentecost, our readings have been focusing our attention on the promises of Jesus to his disciples, especially the promise of the Holy Spirit Whom Jesus will ask the Father to send, and on the results of His coming, shown in the early apostolic preaching of the Good News of salvation. Today's readings provide answers to puzzling questions about Who the Holy Spirit is, what He does, and how we experience Him in our daily lives. Today's first and second readings were chosen to help us prepare for the soon-to-be-celebrated feast of Pentecost. They show us how the Spirit worked in the everyday activities of Jesus' first followers.

"Did we land, or were we shot down?" A commercial airline pilot, on one occasion, made a particularly bad landing. The wheels of the big jet hit the runway with a jarring thud. Afterward, the airline had a policy, which required that the pilot stand at the door while the passengers exited. He was to give each of them a smile and say, "Thanks for flying with us today." In light of his bad landing, he had a hard time looking the passengers in the eye, thinking that someone would have a smart comment, but no one seemed annoyed. Finally, everyone had gotten off except for one little old lady walking with a cane. She approached the pilot and asked, "Sonny, mind if I ask you a question?" "Why, no Ma'am, what is it?" said the pilot bravely. "Did we land," she asked, "or were we shot down?" — Maybe you've had days like that—days when it felt like you were shot down. Even worse, maybe things are going quite well for you, really. Your friends and your family tell you how fortunate you are. But you don't feel fortunate. It is on such occasions that we need the prompt assistance of the Holy Spirit.

Angel carrying torch and water: There is a story about a person who saw an angel walking down the street. The angel was carrying a torch in one hand and a bucket of water in the other. "What are you going to do with that torch and that water?" the person asked. The angel looked at the person and said, "With this torch, I am going to burn down the mansions of Heaven; and with the bucket of water, I am going to put out the fires of Hell. Then we're going to see who really loves God." — The angel's point was that many people obey God's commandments out of fear of punishment in Hell or hope of reward in Heaven. They don't obey God for the reason Jesus gives in today's Gospel. Jesus said, "If you love me you will obey my commandments." (Fr. Chirackal).

Synodal response update. Following the conversations that have taken place around the Archdiocese in response to the Synod called for by Pope Francis, Archbishop Bernard, together with other key members of the Archdiocese have been reflecting on the many responses that have been submitted and they are currently discerning all the needs of the faithful of the Archdiocese. Archbishop Bernard recognises, and is grateful that from within the LGBTQ+ community there has been very insightful feedback and he is happy for there to be a continued conversation to listen further. You are therefore invited to a meeting which will be facilitated by Mgr Mark Crisp and his team for those aged 18+ at Christ the King, Coventry on Sunday 21st May at 7pm.

COVENTRY PIONEER ASSOCIATION There will be a meeting on Monday 15TH May at 2pm in the Library at Christ the King.

First Reading

Acts of the Apostles 8:5-8,14-17

The people of Samaria accept the Gospel of Jesus proclaimed to them by Philip.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 66:1-7,16,20

Sing praise to God, all the earth.

Second Reading

1 Peter 3:15-18

Be ready to give explanation for your hope in Christ.

Gospel Reading

John 14:15-21

Jesus promises his disciples that he will send them another advocate, the Spirit of truth.

Readers. Anyone wishing to be added to the readers list on Saturday at 5 pm or Sunday at 10 am please let me know As I am getting the rota ready for the end of May onwards.

Vocations Mass. Our deanery has been asked to devote the month of June to promoting vocations. There will be a Vocations Mass at St Thomas More on Tuesday 13th June at 7.00pm.

St Patrick's Golden Jubilee: Fr George and the parishioners of St Patrick's Church, Wood End, would like to invite you all to join them in celebrating the Golden Jubilee of their church on **Wednesday 17th May at 7.00pm.** The Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Bernard Longley, and we ask you to join us afterwards for refreshments.

***HOSPITAL VISITING:** If you have a relative in hospital, please let the staff know as, due to GDPR, they cannot ask. Arrangements can then be made for a priest to visit

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION: Starting at St Anne's Church in Coventry at 3pm on Sunday 18th June, processing to Corpus Christi Church. You are all invited to join the procession and to celebrate with a picnic on the grass at 4pm

**THIS IS MY COMMANDMENT,
THAT YOU
Love
ONE ANOTHER
AS I HAVE Loved YOU.
JOHN 15:12**