## The Coventry Circle of the Newman Association

The Coventry Circle is part of the Newman Association and our members are drawn mainly from Catholic parishes in Coventry, Warwickshire and Rugby. The national Association, founded in 1942, is inspired by Saint John Henry Newman and seeks to promote greater understanding of our Catholic faith in the contemporary world. The Circle has approaching 50 members. Each year we organise a series of talks with speakers on a theme related to theology, scripture, spirituality, pastoral life, Catholic culture and history, ecumenism or interfaith dialogue. We also strive to deepen our faith through Circle Masses, an annual Retreat, a reading group, ecumenical outreach and social activities.

Below is the programme of lectures from September 2021 to May 2022. All are delivered on zoom at 7.30pm. In the future, as we emerge from the pandemic, it is envisaged that more of our talks will be delivered in a hybrid form, with some meeting in a physical venue and others zooming in.

If you would like to learn more we would be delighted to hear from you. Contact the Circle Secretary, Colin Roberts, on 01926 858953/cjroberts08@talktalk.net

## Theme: Abrahamic Religions and their Sacred Texts

28 September	Rev. Professor Joseph O'Hanlon	Introduction and Overview
26 October	Student Rabbi Gabriel Kanter-Webber	A Jewish Perspective on Scripture
23 November	Dr Jessie Rogers	The Christian Reception of the Book of Job
22 February	Fr Damian Howard, SJ	Islam and its Sacred Texts
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