

Anniversaries Peter Patrick Byrne, John Cotterill, Tom Goode, Bridgett Mcilroy, Del Deeley, Joffre Haig Nash, Irene Fletcher, Mary Morris, Thomas Caines, Frank Horsley, Eric Fletcher, Elsie Hunt, Eugene McCarthy, Peter Chilton, Howard Stuart Rowe.

The sick and their carers -: Susan Basnett, Sheila Hill, Pat Sugrue, Liam Carroll, Graham Sheen, Richard Beardsley and Julie Wastie-Beardsley, Natalie Sugrue, Carmel, Mr Roe, Paul Tedds, Mary Evans, Ann Magee, Norman Barr, Peter Moore, Janet Pittam, Sue Owen, Jean Kimber, Lauren Glynn, Baby Florence, Tina & Baby, Rebecca Woodward, Natalie Brett, Wendy Williams, Nuala Nash, Sr Mary Veronica, Paul Wooding, Pat McKenna, Ronald Boote, Carmel Brady, Eddie Head, John Ison, Chris Ison, Pat Skerritt, Debbie Colby, Paul Jobling, Ean Conway, Pat Birch, Margaret Smith, James Pawsey, Janette Woodford, Oswin Kavanagh Jackson, Eileen Kennedy, James Walker, Gerry Burke, Julie Hughes, Bridie Cave, Sarah Higgins, Mary Adderley, Bridie Scally, Una McKeown, Brigid Reilly, Anthony Davis, Mary Rooney, Doreen Parry, Oliver Ball, Theresa Rose Tedds, Helen Taylor, Alicia (Babs) Fitzpatrick, Julia O'Keefe, Gabrielle Lynagh, Eamon Hurley, Mary Hannigan, Michael Ryan, Paul Culleton

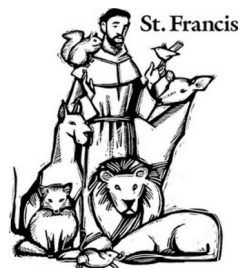
Recently Deceased

Noreen Jones (SF) Michael Moten (HF) Georgina Casemore (HF) Nicole Barnes (HF) Anne O'Malley (SF) John Soden (HF) Teresa Grant (SF) **May they Rest in Peace.**

The Parishes operate in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Charlotte Culleton & Julie Sedgely. (Bedworth & Bulkington) Grainne Griffiths (Holy Family) contacted at: sg.sfoa.bedworth@rcaob.org.uk sg.hf.covty@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk



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St Francis



Holy Family



Our Lady of the Sacred Heart

Archdiocese of Birmingham Registered Charity 234216

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Saturday 30th November *Weekend Mass Schedule for our Three Parishes*

At St Francis		3-345 Rosary Exposition Divine Mercy Confessions
At St Francis	Mass	4 00 pm Shiela, Denis John Reidy RIP
At Holy Family	Mass	5 00 pm John Joe McHendry 32nd A RIP Bob Smith RIP

Confessions 415-445 pm (Holy Family)

Sunday 1st December First Sunday of Advent Year C

At OLSH	Mass	9 30 am	Ann & Joe Ganley
At Holy Family	Mass	10 00 am	Iain Richardson RIP A
At St Francis	Mass	11 30 am	Jim Durkin RIP

Response Psalm "To you O Lord I lift up my soul"

Monday 2nd Dec

At OLSH	Rosary	4 00 pm
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Tuesday 3rd Dec

At Holy Family	Mass	9 30 am	Michael Ryan RIP
At OLSH	Mass	9 30 am	Ken Gamble RIP Birthday

Wednesday 4th Dec

At Holy Family	Mass	9.30 am	Dympna & Frank (Sha) Ferguson Sp Int
At St Francis	Mass	9 30 am	Thanksgiving to the Sacred Heart

THURSDAY 5TH DEC

AT HOLY FAMILY	MASS	9 30 am	Ints of Sick and Housebound
AT OLSH	Mass	9 30 am	Samuel Dixon RIP A

Friday 6th Dec

At Holy Family	Holy Hour	8 30 AM	
AT HOLY FAMILY	MASS	9 30 AM	John & Catherine Boyle RIP A
AT ST FRANCIS	Requiem	9 30 AM	Noreen Jones RIP

SAT 7TH DEC WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE 2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

AT ST FRANCIS		3-345 Rosary Exposition Divine Mercy Confessions
AT ST FRANCIS	MASS	4.00 PM John Budworth 1st A RIP
At Holy Family	Mass	5 00 pm Vincent Duke RIP

HOLY FAMILY NEWS:

Young at Heart: Thursday's 10 am in the Hall

Langar Aid All Donated food put in basket at back of church please. Thank you!

BAPTISMS

The next meeting to arrange baptisms is Tuesday 3rd December 2024 at 7 00pm. For Bedworth and Bulkington Please contact the parish office.

Holy Family Coventry - YouTube Main Stream: <https://youtu.be/6HziE4yJoc>

100 Club Numbers are always available please support.

Monday Parish Garden Volunteers. Each Monday at 10 am

Church Cleaning Last Friday each month at 5.pm

Extraordinary Ministers Rota

Saturday	7th Dec	Tony Stapleton
Sunday	8th Dec	See rota list on notice board at church.

Altar Serving.

If you wish to join our excellent group of servers please come into the sacristy before Mass and let Robert know.

Charity Project Old glasses are being collected for a project in Malawi Africa please place in box in church

Those who need a DBS (most volunteers who will be working with adults and or children) should be completing the online DBS form stating they are a volunteer or get a purple DBS form to complete from Grainne Griffiths.

Gift Aid. Do you pay Tax? Do you give to the collection at Mass? If you do, then why not fill in a form and give it back to us and the Parish will get 25p back as Gift Aid from every pound given.

There will be a Christmas Prize Draw this year. Draw tickets will be on sale soon.

Church Heating

The heating system has broken down. it was thought that this was beyond repair as the parts are obsolete given the age of the boiler but after a conversation with a French company Mary has managed to arrange for the part needed for the repair to be delivered in a week or so and then the repair will take place. So it is hoped in two weeks time the heating will be fixed. In the meantime when coming to church please do wrap up warm and don't prop open doors as this adds to the cold.

ST FRANCIS BEDWORTH NEWS:

150th anniversary of the Catholic mission at St Francis Bedworth

On the 7th December between 10am and 12 noon there will be a second-hand good condition toy sale in the hall for pre-school age 1 - 5 years ; any toys left over will go to the school for our joint Parish/School Bazaar on Friday 13th December. If you wish to start collecting items for the bazaar, please bring them to the church, either before or straight after the Masses. We are working very closely with the school and these notices will be in the school weekly news letters

St Francis School

A few dates for the school and parish diary on the road of the sacramental journey of Holy Communion and Confirmation 13th March 2025 Reconciliation. 19th March 2025 Confirmation. Word of God and Mothering Sunday 30th March 2025 11:30 - bibles presented. First Holy Communion - for St. Francis School and other parish children - 7th June 2025 11:00. Have a great weekend **Sarah Hubbard, Principal at St. Francis**

Parish Hall The afternoon Tea will have come been consumed by the time the news-letter is printed. A big thanks to Mary and those who have helped in organising serving and supporting the Afternoon Tea. Monies raised for the parish will be published in next week's newsletter.

Love is Revealed

Love is revealed in Advent days, in waiting, hoping, praying, in anticipation
Love is revealed in Christmas days, in joyful exaltation of Christ's revelation
Love is revealed in Ordinary days, laboured and burdened, hearts engaging
Love is revealed in Lent days, seeking penance, fasting, prayer inspired giving
Love is revealed in Easter days, of dead bones reviving, renewed spirit's soaring
Love is revealed in Christ's final coming, in the frailty of finite flesh letting go
Love is revealed in heaven kissing the fabric of our earth, as delight fills us so!

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"We don't have time for that!" Typical of last-minute Christmas shoppers, a mother was running furiously from store to store. Suddenly she became aware that the little hand of her 3-year-old son was no longer clutched in hers. In panic she retraced her steps and found him standing with his little nose pressed flat against a frosty window. He was gazing at a manger scene. Hearing his mother's near hysterical call, he turned and shouted with innocent glee: "Look Mommy! It's Jesus – Baby Jesus in the hay!" With obvious indifference to his joy and wonder, she impatiently jerked him away saying, "We don't have time for that!" Please find the time to explore and reflect upon what this season of Christmas is truly about! Christ Is born, a Saviour is given, salvation has visited our house!

MASS SCHEDULE CON'T SUNDAY 8TH DECEMBER 2ND SUNDAY ADVENT YEAR C

AT OLSH	MASS	9 30 AM	Howard Rowe RIP 24th A
AT HOLY FAMILY	MASS	10 00 AM	Concy Fernandes Birthday
AT ST FRANCIS	MASS	11.30 AM	Philomena O'Malley RIP

Balamma Satram Holy Family charity India. Those who are suffering in the poorest places benefit from your support and all 3 parishes are welcome to support. All donations will help the poor directly.

BLESSING OF THE DEANERY CHRISTMAS CRIB will take place on Sunday 1st December, the First Sunday of Advent at 4pm in Broadgate, Coventry.

New Years Eve

There will be a midnight Mass at Holy Family on New Years Eve 31st December. A Holy Hour of Adoration, Worship and Praise in front of the Blessed Sacrament will take place for an hour before the Mass at Midnight. All Welcome

ADVENT 'WALK WITH ME'

BOOKLETS and are available to take at the back of Church.

The Holy Spirit Catholic Mac will be providing a **Christmas Foodbank** this year. We are asked to support and collect donations for their charity. Donations can be given in an envelope marked "Mac Foodbank" and will be passed on.

Advent Penance Service

Saturday 21st December at St Francis 3-until 4 pm. Please come along for confession in preparation for Christmas.

Christmas Eve Tuesday 24th Dec

At St Francis	Mass	4 00pm
At Holy Family	Mass	6 00 pm
At OLSH	Mass	8 00 pm
At Holy Family	Midnight Mass	12 00 am

Christmas Day Wednesday 25th Dec

At OLSH	Mass	9 00 am
At Holy Family	Mass	10 00 am
At St Francis	Mass	11 00 am

New Years Eve 11 pm Holy Hour followed by Midnight Mass

OLSH Bulkington News

Over 50's Meets in the Parish Hall 2nd Thursday of the Month Next Meeting 12th December 2pm-4.00pm Afternoon Tea £15 per person All welcome See Moira for tickets 07769557719 Final numbers and payments by December 6th.

UCM Christmas Hamper Raffle -- 1st Benita Hart 2nd Laura 3rd Moira Stewart 4th Bridie 5th Ann Miller 6th Lorraine Conway the prizes have all been claimed and £302 was raised thank you for your support. UCM Afternoon Tea to be held on 4th December 1.30pm in the hall

Parish Choir. Are In full swing for the winter!

BULKINGTON 100 CLUB (Oct) 1st 85 Cilla 2nd 27 J Martin 3rd 17 M Hurley Numbers are available if you would like to join at £2.00 per month. Prizes are £60, £25 and £15. See Janet Cooper. **Don't forget – Not in it? Can't win it!**

Reading Rota - Bulkington If you would like to be added to or removed from this rota, please let me know by email, cogs3561@hotmail.com, phone 07900024385 Thank you.

Sacramental preparation Due to circumstances beyond our control, First Communion classes will now begin on January 9th rather than November as originally planned. Classes for Confirmation will begin on the same date. First Communion classes will run on Thursdays from 4.30 - 5.30 pm for Baptised Catholic children in Year 3 and above. Confirmation classes will follow from 5.30 - 6.30 pm for Baptised Catholic children in Year 6 and above. Please register your interest by email, cogs3561@hotmail.com or by phone 07900024385.

Christmas Shoe Box Appeal

This week we have been packing shoe boxes for boys and girls in the age group 3 - 5 years. The final consignment for Christmas 2024 will leave the UK at the end of November on its journey to Ukraine, Romania, Moldova and Bosnia. We were delighted to learn that parishioners in Holy Family parish are keen to become involved. A leaflet with further information about the charity will be posted on the church notice board. You can also see the work of Teams4U on their website <https://teams4U.com>. The videos of children receiving their shoeboxes are very moving. Although we are coming to the end of this year's preparations, we will be starting again early in 2025. Please continue with your donations. We are always short of soap, flannels, toothpaste and brushes but any items will be gratefully received. We have a good supply of hats at the moment but would welcome scarves (approximately 75 cm/30 ins x 15 cm/6ins) and mittens/ gloves or handwarmers as well as knitted hand/ finger puppets.

Missio (Little red boxes) Darren Riddell has volunteered to take over

OLSH Con't Before each weekday Mass, the Rosary will be said at 9.15am. Tea and Coffee after Mass in Bulkington on Sundays.

COMMUNION FOR THE SICK: If anyone you know is sick or housebound and would like to receive Communion, please contact the Sisters — Tel: 07789088406

Grave Plots: A small number of new grave plots are now being allocated. Those who have paid for a new plot, please see Mary for your details

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 the chaplain to visit.

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS: 24th November 2024

ST FRANCIS	BEDWORTH :	£292.45	+ Standing Orders
Our Lady of the Sacred Heart	BULKINGTON:	£320.59	+ Standing Orders
Holy Family	Coventry	£709.25	+ Standing Orders

Totals are inclusive of Gift Aid and Non Gift Aid envelope giving. They include donations given. Standing Orders vary week by week. Thank you for your generosity!

JOINT PARISH PASTORAL FORUM/COUNCIL There are 3 representatives from each parish, the sisters and clergy are also on the council. We are made up of three distinctive parishes, this group will explore ways of working closer together to engage more fully in the task of being Christ's body in our own time and place.

The Red Mission Boxes for APF can be handed in to Holy Family to be counted.

Blessing of Graves at OLSH Sunday 1st December after 9 30 am Mass.

Confirmation 2024

Bishop Richard has been in touch, and the confirmation dates for the parish have been allocated. **Holy Family Wednesday February 12th St Francis Wednesday March 19th** Please pray for those preparing the children for the sacrament in and out of schools, and the children, their families and our parish family too.

Masses are LIVE STREAMED: Before each weekday Mass, the Rosary will be said at 9.15am. Masses at Bedworth and Bulkington are streamed live on MCN Media.

The New Translation of the Lectionaries

The parish will be ordering Missalettes for each Sunday from the time the new lectionaries are to be used so that we can follow the scripture readings as they will be proclaimed. This First Sunday of Advent is the start of the reading of the new version for the scripture readings during Mass. **There will be a blessing of the congregation after the gospel reading today at Masses using the new lectionaries where we recognise that we are blest by God's guiding word in our lives.**