

ANNIVERSARIES

Rev Connell Harkin, Canon Gerry Hanlon, Deacon Patrick Duffy, Canon Raymond Walsh, Rev Vaughan Lloyd, Rev Anthony Sims, Bishop David Cashman, Rev Michael Crumpton, Rev William Madden, Rev Andrew Brennan, Deacon Thomas Ashcroft, Dorothy Robinson, Richard Legge, Thomas Magill, Tony Conneely, Kathleen Brinkley, Thomas Wheatley, Nora Laverick, Peter Cartwright, Sheila Crowe, Norman Neal, Joe Torri, Patrick 'Paddy' Hughes, Horace Goode, Winnie Appleby, Bernadette Moore, Arthur Nichol, Jack Kennedy, Brian Devlin, Lily Jackson, William Harte, Richard McCarroll, Sylvia Merriman, Maureen Walsh, June Price, Margaret Mockford, Louise Gissane, John Brogan, Edward Gallagher, James Kelly Josie Fitzpatrick, Stefan Hartman, Nathan Cole, Deacon Hugh Robinson RIP Nita Cox, Patrick Coombes

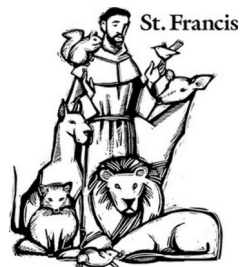
THE SICK AND THEIR CARERS -: Susan Basnett, Sheila Hill, Pat Sugrue, Liam Carroll, Graham Sheen, Richard Beardsley and Julie Wastie-Beardsley, Natalie Sugrue, Carmel, Mr Roe, Paul Tedds, Mary Evans, Ann Magee, Norman Barr, Peter Moore, Janet Pittam, Sue Owen, Jean Kimber, Lauren Glynn, Baby Florence, 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, Norma and Lester, Ferdi,

RECENTLY DECEASED MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

Teresa O'Keefe (HF) John Vaughan (HF) John Bird (OLSH) Ronald Ginda (HF)

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

THE TELEPHONE NUMBERS FOR CONTACTING THE PARISH OFFICE OF ALL THREE PARISHES IS 02476333128 OR 07701303830



St Francis



Holy Family



Our Lady of the Sacred Heart

Archdiocese of Birmingham Registered Charity 234216

2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

Fr Patrick Brennan P.P Fr Jinse Thomas - Assistant Fr Bernard Anwyl (At St Josephs)
Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church, The Presbytery, Mill Lane,
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Headteacher Sarah Hubbard
Website <http://www.stfranciscatholicprimary.co.uk>

Saturday 15th March Weekend Mass Schedule for our Three Parishes

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| At St Francis | | 3-345 Rosary Exposition Divine Mercy Confessions |
| At Francis | Mass | 4 00pm Lily Jackson RIP 7th A |
| At Holy Family | | 4 00pm Stations of the Cross |
| At Holy Family | Mass | 5 00pm John Bratt RIP 5th A |

Sunday 16th March 2nd Sunday of Lent

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| At OLSH Mass | Mass | 9 30 am | Alec Abell RIP |
| At Holy Family | Mass | 10 00 am | Fr Bernard Anwyl 68yrs Priest |
| At St Francis | Mass | 11 30 am | Christine Roe RIP |
| Monday | 17th March | | |
| OLSH | Rosary | 4 00 pm | |
| At Holy Family | Mass | 9 15 am | Whole School |
| Tuesday | 18th March | | |
| At Holy Family | Mass | 9 30 am | Teresa O'Keefe RIP |
| At OLSH | Mass | 9 30 am | Peter Maggie Wallace & Fam RIP |
| Wednesday | 19th March | | |
| At Holy Family | Mass | 9 30 am | Tony Roberts RIP |
| At St Francis | Mass | 9 30 am | Birthday (MS) |
| At St Francis | Mass | 7 00pm | Confirmation |
| Thursday | 20th March | | |
| At Holy Family | Mass | 9 30 am | Mary & Hughie O'Hara RIP |
| At OLSH | Mass | 9 30 am | Pat Corden RIP |
| Friday | 21st March | | |
| At Holy Family | Mass | 9 30 am | Bernie Kelly RIP |
| At St Francis | Mass | 9.30 am | Michael Porter RIP |

SAT 22ND MARCH WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

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| At St Francis | | 3-345 Rosary Exposition Divine Mercy Confessions |
| At St Francis | MASS | 4.00 PM John Head RIP A |
| At Holy Family | | 4 00pm Stations of the Cross |
| At Holy Family | Mass | 5 00 pm Michael Beech |

SUNDAY 23RD MARCH 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

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| At OLSH | Mass | 9 30 am | Marion Singleton RIP 5th A |
| At Holy Family | Mass | 10 00 am | John Vaughan RIP |
| At St Francis | Mass | 11.30 am | George Pearson RIP (Kennedy fam) |

OLSH Bulkington News

OVER 50'S ALL WELCOME! 2ND Thursday Each Month 2:00-4:00

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| 10th April knickers & nighties | 8th May beetle drive (Moira) |
| 12th June AGM & cake Summer Break | |
| 11th September quiz (Denis) | 9th October Warwickshire air rescue |
| 13th November willow weaving | 11th December Christmas event |

UCM

Next meeting is Wednesday 19th March at 2 pm in the Parish Hall. Thanks to all who helped with the World Day of Prayer it was successful and enjoyable also!

BULKINGTON 100 CLUB

Numbers are available if you would like to join at £2.00 per month. The February draw took place at the UCM meeting last week and the numbers are 21 69 and 70! Prizes are £60, £25 and £15. See Janet Cooper.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION PREPARATION- PARISH GROUPS

Please pray for all those in this year's First Communion group - Alex, Bobby, Carson, Christina, Damien, Elaine, Kajus, Klea, Jakub, Marika, Natalia, Nataniel, Sara and Theo. We now have two candidates for Confirmation this year - Alex, whom many of you will know from the 9.30am Mass and Amelia.

CHOIR

We hope that Kate our organist will get better soon, she has asked Mary to play the organ for the choir until she is able to return

STATIONS OF THE CROSS Tuesday's after Mass during Lent.

FLOWERS

The idea of donating £3.00 per flower towards the Easter flowers is a great way to help with the flowers at Easter. From the first Sunday of Lent right through to Holy Thursday we will have a flower tree on the sanctuary. As you come into church, there will be a box of cut out flowers, please take one (or 2/3) and put the names of your loved ones or any intention of your choice on the back of the flower, then place the flower on the flower tree in the sanctuary. This will be a visible sign of your intention throughout the Lenten period. Please put your donations into an envelope and give to Fr Pat, Fr Jinse, the sisters or Mary.

GRAVE PLOTS

The tarmac has now been removed from the new grave plots to allow immediate / future burials to take place. We have two burial plots available and three cremation plots available.

DONATIONS Many thanks for the continuing donations towards the Organ and Heating!

ST FRANCIS BEDWORTH NEWS:

150TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CATHOLIC MISSION AT ST FRANCIS

CONFIRMATION 19TH MARCH 7 00PM

There will be a choir practice on Monday 17th at 7 00pm in church. It would be good if our parishioners can come along and support the children of the parish and school at the Confirmation on the 19th and meet Bishop Richard our area bishop! The church looks stunning, no dust, no damp, no dry rot and the woodworm all treated. The sanctuary floor has been repaired, all the windows sealed and cleaned. The Canon Roughan room has now been painted, the walls will be left clear, however, there will be a display of photographs, new and old placed on boards showing our church through the ages. We are now concentrating on the grounds of the church.

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DONATIONS Many thanks for the donations that have come in for repairs.

100 CLUB TOTE

Starting from the first weekend in Lent, we will resurrect the 100 Club Tote. Mary Smith (Sunday) and Maureen Brennan (SAT) will be leading this fundraising event.

CHOIR

Looking forward to the 150 - year Celebration Mass with the Archbishop, we need to have a good choir. The school are more than happy to help with this but we do need adults as well. Nothing too difficult, a new Mass setting and hymns that will have a flavour of tradition and modern. The new Mass setting is being introduced at the 11.30 Sunday Mass so that everyone will have the chance to learn and be familiar with all the singing on the day. The children have begun to sing this when they come to Friday Mass in church.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

After Mass at St Francis on Fridays during Lent

Before each weekday Mass, the Rosary will be said at 9.15am at OLSH and Bulkington. Tea and Coffee after Mass in OLSH on Sundays, and on Fridays' after Mass at St Francis

GENERAL NEWS OF INTEREST TO ALL THREE CHURCHES

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.

CONFIRMATION 2024

St Francis on **Wednesday March 19th 7.00pm**

MASSES ARE LIVE STREAMED:

Before each weekday Mass, the Rosary will be said at 9.15am. Masses at Holy Family, St Francis and OLSH are streamed live on YouTube.

LENTEN STATIONS OF THE CROSS

In Holy Family Saturday's at 4. 00pm In St Francis after Mass Friday's In OLSH after Mass Tuesdays. Walk with Me booklet for daily readings during Lent 50p donation

BAPTISMS FOR ST FRANCIS AND OLSH Meeting at St Francis 1st Monday of the month at 6.30 pm All those seeking a baptism must attend a meeting before booking a date.

COMMUNION FOR THE SICK:

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

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.

MASS INTENTIONS:

Please give at least 6 weeks notice and state clearly the church, if a Special Intention, or RIP, and if you would prefer a Sunday.

| OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS: | 9th March | | |
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| ST FRANCIS | BEDWORTH : | £544.76 | + Standing Orders |
| Our Lady of the Sacred Heart | BULKINGTON: | £375.06 | + Standing Orders |
| Holy Family | Coventry | £824.56 | + 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!

DEANERY YOUNG ADULTS GROUP

St Osburg's 7pm to 9pm. Meeting dates, 11th March, 8th April, 13th May, 17th June. To find out more please email Fr Benedict fr.benedict.skipper@rcaob.org.uk

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM DEANERY DIOCESE AND BEYOND.

LOURDES PILGRIMAGE

The pilgrimage runs from Saturday 24 - Friday 30 May 2025 with the theme: "With Mary, Pilgrims of Hope" Please contact the Lourdes Pilgrimage Office to discuss assistance requirements: 0121 230 6288 / admin.lourdes@rcaob.org.uk Find out more here: <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/lourdes-pilgrimage>

RETREAT DAY FOR EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: at St Thomas More Watercall Avenue, Styvechale, Coventry CV3 5DE on Saturday 22nd March 22nd, 9:30am to 1pm.

CHAPEL OF UNITY: LENT REFLECTIONS

The Chapel of Unity at Coventry Cathedral is hosting an On-line 20-minute Psalm Reflection at 6.00pm each Monday evening during Lent, on 10, 17, 24, 31 March and 7 & 14 April. Zoom link: Join Zoom Meeting or ID: 864 9505 4646 and Passcode: COUR2025.

LENT: TRANSFIGURATION

Touching the hem of his cloak
the veil is lifted for a brief moment
of transfiguration, a beloved Son,
a fragment of clarity,
a release of loving mercy.

Touching the consecrated host
lifted into sacred air, a brief moment
of transfiguration, a beloved Son,
a fragment of the ordinary,
a revelation of loving, despite fragility.

Touching the season of Lent
brushing back the fabric of heaven, a brief moment
of transfiguration, a beloved Son,
a fragment of charity,
prayer, penance, fasting, the fulness of our humanity.

Touching the divine
in the midst of the pursuit of sanctity, a brief moment
of transfiguration, a beloved Son,
a fragment of sincerity,
a promise of being held perpetually, in palms of eternity.

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THE TRANSFIGURATION

offers us a message of encouragement and hope: In moments of doubt and during our dark moments of despair and hopelessness, the thought of our transfiguration in Heaven will help us to reach out to God and to listen to His consoling words: "This is My beloved Son." Let us offer our Lenten sacrifices to our Lord, that through these practices of Lent and through the acceptance of our daily crosses we may grow closer to him in his suffering and may share in the carrying of his cross so that we may finally share the glory of his Transfiguration.

HOLY FAMILY NEWS:

STATIONS OF THE CROSS FOR LENT: Takes place at 4 00 pm on the Saturday's of Lent

YOUNG AT HEART:

From next Thursday the Young at Heart will now meet from 9.30am - 11am .

LANGAR AID All Donated food put in basket at back of church please. Thank you!

BAPTISMS The next meeting to arrange baptisms is Tuesday 1st April 2025 at 7 00pm.

HOLY FAMILY COVENTRY - YOUTUBE Main Stream: <https://youtu.be/6HziE4yIJoc>

100 CLUB Numbers are always available please support. Please remember to keep up your subscriptions as when the draw takes place if you are not up you cannot win!

MONDAY PARISH GARDEN VOLUNTEERS. Each Monday at 10 am

CHURCH CLEANING Last Friday each month at 5.pm

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS ROTA

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| Saturday | 15th March | Tony Stapleton | 22nd March | Prashadi Rigters |
| Sunday | 16th March | See Rota | 23rd March | See Rota |

EASTER EGG TREE During the Lenten period from Ash Wednesday, there will be a small "Egg Tree" on the sanctuary. One of our parishioners has made this. Carmel O'Sullivan and Val Grant will have a box of cut out egg shaped cards, please put the names of your loved ones on the back of the egg and place the egg on the tree in the sanctuary. Please put any donations into an envelope marked "EGG TREE" and give to Carmel or Val.

PARISH SUMMER FAYRE 2025 On Tuesday 11th March a meeting was held in the hall for those interested in a fundraising activity for the parish, this was attended by 15 parishioners. We discussed the possibility of hosting a Parish Summer Fayre to be held on Sunday 22nd June at 11am, straight after the 10am Mass. In response to this meeting, Mary has sent off an application to the City Council so that we can have books of printed raffle tickets to be sold in house and to the outside public. Once the license is received the raffle tickets will be ordered. There were many suggestions for stalls and for refreshments, two of the stalls, a bottle and chocolate tombola. Items for these stalls can be donated immediately: this gives us plenty of time to collect as many items as possible. Bottles and chocolate can be brought to the church before the weekend Masses and can also be left inside the hall on a Tuesday and Thursday morning, before and after the morning Mass. All those who attended the meeting are fully committed to making this event a great success as we need to raise as much as we can for our parish.

THANKS! A donation from a parishioner of £500 was received this week for the Gas Pipe line repair.