

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 McCarrroll, 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

1ST 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,
Weston-in-Arden, Bulkington, CV12 9RU
Holy Family Parish Address: 177 Parkgate Road Coventry CV6 4GF 02476 333128
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Parish Sisters: Sister Mary Jane and Sister Lilly

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St Francis School, Rye Piece Ringway, Bedworth CV12 8JN 024 7631 5279
Headteacher Sarah Hubbard
Website <http://www.stfranciscatholicprimary.co.uk>

Saturday 8th March Weekend Mass Schedule for our Three Parishes

At St Francis		3-345 Rosary	Exposition Divine Mercy Confessions
At Francis	Mass	4 00pm	People of the Parish
At Holy Family		4 00pm	Stations of the Cross
At Holy Family	Mass	5 00pm	Jack Keeney

Sunday 9th March 1st Sunday of Lent

At OLSH Mass	Mass	9 30 am	Noreen Pearcey 3rd A RIP
At Holy Family	Mass	10 00 am	Deacon Pat Flanagan RIP
At St Francis	Mass	11 30 am	Doreen Tomson

Monday	10th March		
OLSH	Rosary	4 00 pm	

Tuesday	11th March		
At Holy Family	Mass	9 30 am	Sp Int
At OLSH	Mass	9 30 am	Thanksgiving

Wednesday 12th March

At Holy Family	Mass	9 15 am	Helen Mallagh
At St Francis	Mass	9 30 am	Sue Kenny RIP
At Holy Family	Requiem	12 noon	John Vaughan RIP
At Holy Family	Reconciliation	2 00pm	1st Holy Communion Children

Thursday 13th March

At Holy Family	Mass	9 30 am	Holy Souls
At OLSH	Mass	9 30 am	Ian Gissane

Friday 14th March

At Holy Family	Mass	9 30 am	Teresa O'Keefe RIP
At St Francis	Mass	9.30 am	Kevin Austin RIP

SAT 15TH MARCH WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

At St Francis		3-345 Rosary	Exposition Divine Mercy Confessions
At St Francis	MASS	4.00 PM	Lily Jackson RIP 7th A
At Holy Family		4 00pm	Stations of the Cross
At Holy Family	Mass	5 00 pm	John Bratt RIP 5th A

SUNDAY 16TH MARCH 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

At OLSH	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

OLSH Bulkington News

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

13th March	MAF in community	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. **Thursday 13th March Reconciliation Service** for 1st Holy Communion Children at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Church, at 6.30pm

CHRISTMAS SHOE BOXES Thank you to everyone who gave their support last year with donations of items for the boxes as well as money to finance the transport costs. If you are able to support us this year please leave your donations in the church porch or we can arrange collection. Please email cogs3561@hotmail.com or phone 07900024385

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.

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 painting of the interior of the church is now complete. The new lighting will be completed by the end of the coming week.. 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.

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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 Masses 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		
ST FRANCIS	BEDWORTH :	£634.39	+ Standing Orders
Our Lady of the Sacred Heart	BULKINGTON:	£342.76	+ Standing Orders
Holy Family	Coventry	£748.69	+ 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>

THANKSGIVING MASS FOR MARRIAGE

Register now. Are you celebrating a significant wedding anniversary in 2025? Are you engaged to be married this year? Or would you simply like to give thanks to God for your marriage, and ask for His ongoing blessings? If so, we would like to invite you to attend this year's Thanksgiving Mass for Marriage. To be held on Saturday 3 May, 12noon, at St Chad's Cathedral. Celebrated by Bishop Richard Walker. Please register by Sunday 13 April. See Diocesan website for details

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.

THE ARCHDIOCESE

Is recruiting for the following four positions, Operations Director, IT Manager, Finance Manager and Gift Aid Officer. Full details and closing dates can be found at www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/jobs.

LENTEN SESSIONS ON "PILGRIMS OF HOPE ON THE SYNODAL PATHWAY"

This faith exploration will take place over four Monday evening sessions at St Osburg's Parish Hall on 10th, 17th, 24th and 31st March 2025. Sessions will run from 7.00pm to 8.30pm. Please register your interest in these sessions, by contacting one of the following: Barbara McGowan – 07528644617. Paschal Somers – 07403625292.

FR BERNARD ANWYL'S PRIESTLY ANNIVERSARY 16TH MARCH

Fr Bernard will celebrate 68 years of priesthood on the 16th March. Please send him a card if you wish as he would be delighted to receive them! He resides at:
St Joseph's Care Home, Coventry Rd, Coleshill, Birmingham B46 3AT

PIONEER MASS IN HONOUR OF ST PATRICK

This will be held on Thursday 13th March 2025 at 7.00pm in Christ the King Church and afterwards in the Parish Library. All welcome.

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 5th March 2024 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! If you are not in yet you can join at any time.

MONDAY PARISH GARDEN VOLUNTEERS. Each Monday at 10 am

CHURCH CLEANING Last Friday each month at 5.pm

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS ROTA

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.

GAS AND PIPE LINE.

Thank you for the donation of £1000 that came in this week towards the work. Gratefully received!

GALA 2025

A 2nd preliminary meeting on Tuesday 11th March at 4 00pm to discuss the way forward. There will be a follow meeting for those who are working in the coming weeks

(TERESA O'KEEFE RIP) BALAMMA SATRAM HOLY FAMILY CHARITY INDIA.

It is with deep sadness that Teresa O'Keefe died in the parish last week. She was a very faithful supporter of the charity since 2003. We will celebrate her Requiem Mass on 25th March in Holy Family. She took an active part in the running of the charity over the last 25 years. May she rest in peace.