ANNIVERSARIES

Rev John Pinkman, Rev Robert Wright, Canon Peter Taylor, Rev Humphrey Crookenden, Rev Terence Luxon, Canon Anthony Allport, Rev Thomas Fullerton, Rev Francis Johnson, Deacon James Rowe, Rev Joseph Purcell, Rev Ralph Sheppey-Greene, Rev Christopher Thornton, William Laverick, George Hall, Bernard Cullen, Sr Ann Speer, William Hart, Malcolm Miller, Sr Imelda Hawkins, Philip Plimbley, Florence Friswell, Mary Hanninan, Norah Pearcey, Joel McFadden, Joyce Fury, Brian Clohessy Derek Jones, Edward McCormack, Cecil Dowson Rosina Murray, Margaret Copson, Agnes Cox

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) David Pilipavicius (SF)

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

Our Lady of the Sacred Heart

Holy Family

Archdiocese of Birmingham Registered Charity 234216

8TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

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Website http://www.stfranciscatholicprimary.co.uk

Saturday 1st March Weekend Mass Schedule for our Three Parishes

| At St Francis | | 3-345 Rosary Exposition Divine Mercy Confessions | | |
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| At Francis | Mass | 4 00pm | Malcolm Miller RIP A | |
| At Holy Family | Mass | 5 00pm | Denis Edwards 21st A RIP | |

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| Sunday 2nd March | 8th Sunday Year C | | |
| At OLSH Mass | Mass | 9 30 am | Saffron Dodd Birthday RIP Eileen Martin 2th A RIP |
| At Holy Family | Mass | 10 00 am | Kaylan O'Kane |
| At St Francis | Mass | 11 30 am | Peter Mitchell RIP |
| Monday OLSH At St Francis | 3rd March Rosary Reception | 4 00 pm 6 00 pm | David Pilipavicius RIP |
| Tuesday | 4th March | • | , |
| At Holy Family | Mass | 9 30 am | Grace McSweeney RIP |
| At OLSH | Mass | 9 30 am | Thanksgiving |
| At St Francis | Funeral | 11 15 am | David Pilipavicius RIP |
| Wednesday | 5th March | Ash Wednesday | |
| At Holy Family | Mass | 9 15 am | Whole School |
| At St Francis | Mass | 9 30 am | Whole School |
| At Holy Family | Mass | 6 30 pm | Graziella Talli RIP |
| At OLSH | Mass | 6 30 pm | Fr Bob Wright RIP 5th A |
| Thursday | 6th March | | |
| At Holy Family | Mass | 9 30 am | Fr Sarves RIP |
| At OLSH | Mass | 9 30 am | Sp Int |
| Friday | 7th March | | |
| At Holy Family | Mass | 9 30 am | Sr Brigid Breen RIP |
| At St Francis | Mass | 9.30 am | Whole School |

SAT 8TH MARCH WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

| At St Francis | | 3-345 Rosary | 3-345 Rosary Exposition Divine Mercy Confessions | | | | |
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| At St Francis | Mass | 4.00 PM | People of the Parish | | | | |
| At Holy Family | Mass | 5 00 pm | Jack Keeney | | | | |
| SUNDAY 9TH MARCH 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT | | | | | | | |
| At OLSH | 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 | | | | |

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

<u>UCM</u> Will be hosting the **World Day of Prayer** on Friday 7th March at 2 pm in church The theme "I made you Wonderful" has been prepared by the Christian Women from the Cook Islands. All welcome. Light refreshments in the parish hall after the service. Next UCM meeting is Wednesday 5th March at 2 pm in the Parish Hall.

<u>BULKINGTON 100 CLUB</u> Numbers are available if you would like to join at £2.00 per month. The December draw took place at the UCM meeting last week and the numbers will be published next week! 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. Please remember them in your prayers .

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

NEW BOILER.

The new boiler was installed on Wednesday along with new pipe work. The old boilers have all been taken out to leave room in two cupboards for storage if needed. The timer for the new boiler has been set, so I would ask that there is no need to touch any of the settings. If you do think there is a problem at any time, please let me know. As stated, the new boiler and labour have cost us £2995; thank you to those who have offered to help with this purchase, however, there is a long way to go before we meet this cost. Please have a thought if you can help us reduce the amount to be paid.

As we are aware the old organ had a will of its own! Sometimes it would just cut out for no seeable reason. We did have it looked at but the cost of a general overhaul outweighed the cost of having a new one. This new organ can be paid in small instalments

Please see notice in St Francis news about the flower tree for Easter

NORMA AND LESTER would like to thank everyone for their cards and good wishes!

ST FRANCIS BEDWORTH NEWS:

150th anniversary of the Catholic mission at St Francis Bedworth

The painting in the church will be completed on Monday. We have ordered the rest of the light fittings and they will be fitted as soon as we receive them. 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.

PANCAKE EVENT

This event has had to be cancelled due to funerals and the Mass on Friday 7th will be in the school. So towards the end of the month, after Confirmation, we will have a fundraiser (Tea Coffee and pastries) after a Friday Mass in the Canon Roughan Room.

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.

100 CLUB TOTE

Starting from the first weekend in Lent, we will resurrect the 100 Club Tote. Mary Smith 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.

COMMUNION FOR THE SICK:

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

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

Bishop Richard has been in touch, and the confirmation dates for the parish have been allocated. St Francis on **Wednesday March 19th** Please pray for those preparing the children for the sacrament .

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.

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. Please Pray for Sr Teresa who is a religious sister there, she is ill with Leukaemia.

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.

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.

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS: 16th February 2024

ST FRANCIS

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BEDWORTH: £664 + Standing Orders

BULKINGTON: £418 + Standing Orders

Coventry £609 + 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's on Saturday 22nd March 22nd, 9:30am to 1pm.

COVENTRY COMHALTAS ST PATRICK'S CEILI

Friday 14th March 2025 8.00-11.30pm Christ the King Club, Westhill Rd, Coventry Dancing to Innisfail Ceili Band (with Caller) Adults £5.00 Children £2.50 For details please contact PRO Jarlath Mulhern on 07876 013590

THE ARCHDIOCESE

Is recruiting for the following four positions, which will all be closing for applications shortly: Operations Director, IT Manager, Finance Manager and Gift Aid Officer. Full details and closing dates can be found at www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/jobs. If you think you have the skills, please do apply.

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. The deadline for registration is Monday 24th February 2025.

ESCORTED TOUR TO WESTPORT, KNOCK & CO MAYO, 10th March 2025. £799.00 pps. Price includes flight, 10kg hold luggage, 4 nights' in 4* Castlecourt Hotel, Westport with Dinner, Bed & Breakfast. Lunch on three days. All entertainment, excursions and transport included. Visit Knock, Galway City, Kylemore Abbey, Croagh Patrick, Ballintubber Abbey, Quiet Man Museum. Single supplement on Enquiry. Contact 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.

HOLY FAMILY NEWS:

YOUNG AT HEART:

From next Thursday the Young at Heart will now meet from 9.30am - 11am in the small room of the parish 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 5th March 2024 at 7 00pm.

HOLY FAMILY COVENTRY - YOUTUBE Main Stream: https://youtu.be/6HziE4ylJoc

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 1st March Tony Stapleton 8th March Prashadi Rigters Sunday 2nd March See Rota 9th 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 the stewards 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 the stewards or to Fr Pat , Fr Jinse and Mary.

GAS AND PIPE LINE.

Thank you to the few who have given financial help towards the payment of this work. We are in great need for everyone to work and come together to pay for this costly expense. Please be generous, we must all work together to keep our church alive.

WALK WITH ME

Please take a booklet for daily readings during Lent we suggest a 50p donation towards the cost of the booklet.

GALA 2025

We have a meeting to discuss the proposed Gala for this summer at 4 pm this Tuesday 4th March in the parish hall. Please come along if you are willing to help organise this fundraising event.