

Anniversaries Rev Daniel O'Connor, Rev Michael O'Meara, Rev Edmund Motherway, Canon Gerald Patrick Breen, Rev Brian Doolan, Irene Bird, William Chamberlain, Molly O'Donnell, Jack McCullough, Charlie O'Connor, Anne Spicer, James McIlroy, Daniel Devlin, Rose Young, David Smith, Nancy Feeney, Michael Dickens, Julia Cook, Bernadette Whitehead, Mary McCann, Muriel Rutter, Leo Patrick Behan, Nigel Moynihan, Roy Foulger, Mary McCullough, Cathy Sammons, Evelyn Arnold, Hilda Emily Ward, Denis Cook, Annie McCarroll, Neil Chesterton, Sr Sabina Staff

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

Teresa Grant (SF) Mary Molloy (OLSH) Maria Carrasco (HF) Patricia Short (OLSH) Maximo Ngandwe (OLSH) Catherine McVey (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

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

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St Francis



Holy Family



Our Lady of the Sacred Heart

Archdiocese of Birmingham Registered Charity 234216

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 St Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, Sgt Simon Valentine Way, Bedworth, CV12 8JH

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Saturday 21st December *Weekend Mass Schedule for our Three Parishes*

At St Francis		3-345 Rosary Exposition	Divine Mercy Confessions
At St Francis	Mass	4 00 pm	Martin Jones RIP
At Holy Family	Mass	5 00 pm	John Savage RIP A

Sunday 22nd December **Fourth Sunday of Advent Year C**

At OLSH	Mass	9 30 am	Nigel Patrick Moynihan RIP
At Holy Family	Mass	10 00 am	Theresa Carmel Choudhry RIP
At St Francis	Mass	11 30 am	Ron Jackson & Patrick Dillon RIP

Psalm: "Bring us back, O God; let your face shine forth, and we shall be saved."

Monday 23rd Rosary 4 00pm OLSH

Christmas Eve Tuesday 24th Dec

At St Francis	Mass	4 00pm	
At Holy Family	Mass	6 00 pm	Carmel Kelly RIP Eric Clarkson RIP
At OLSH	Mass	8 00 pm	Neil Chesterton RIP 25th A Josephine Devey RIP 24th A
At Holy Family	Midnight Mass		Boyle & Cheesmond Ints

Christmas Day Wednesday 25th Dec

At OLSH	Mass	9 00 am	Christina Smith Harry Baker
At Holy Family	Mass	10 00 am	Vikki Ennim 84th Birthday! Jim & Patsy Farrell RIP
At St Francis	Mass	11 00 am	Stanley Jenkins 40th A RIP
Alice Culleton, Charlie Culleton, Patricia Culleton, Annette Hollingsworth RIP			

THURSDAY 26TH DEC

At Holy Family	Mass	9 30 am	George Mary Gordon Adams
At OLSH	Mass	9 30 am	Sheila Abell RIP

Friday 27th Dec

At Holy Family	Holy Hour	8 30 am	
At Holy Family	Mass	9 30 am	Jim & Patsy Farrell RIP
At St Francis	Mass	9 30 AM	Slane & Hewitson ints

SAT 28TH DEC *WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY*

AT ST FRANCIS		3-345 Rosary Exposition	Divine Mercy Confessions
AT ST FRANCIS	MASS	4.00 PM	Patrick & Clare Brady RIP
At Holy Family	Mass	5 00 pm	Rosemarie Richardson RIP A

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 4th February 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	28th Dec	Tony Stapleton
Sunday	29th 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

RAFFLE

From this weekend tickets will be on sale for the Christmas raffle, please be generous with donating raffle prizes and the buying of tickets. All proceeds for the upkeep of our church.

Hall Car Park Gas Leak

There has been a gas leak in the carpark which has led to the closure of the Hall over the past week and the closure to cars also. Heaters have been hired to help heat the hall so that I may open after Christmas and until the work of digging up the carpark to replace pipes, the car park will be opened. When the work begins to fit a new gas pipe the car park will have to close until the work is complete.

New Years Eve at Holy Family 11 pm Holy Hour followed by Midnight Mass

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

ST FRANCIS BEDWORTH NEWS:

150th anniversary of the Catholic mission at St Francis Bedworth

The next fundraising for the parish will be in the new year events such as pancake tasting, sponsored walk, Easter raffle, and various other events throughout the year.

St Francis Afternoon Tea

This was a great success; the hall was beautifully decorated with Christmas Trees and lights. The food was excellent and plentiful, everything was donated to achieve maximum funds going towards the 150 - year celebrations. We made £1000.00 clear profit which came from tickets sold and a raffle on the day. Thank you to everyone who helped to make this day a success. Since the launch of the 150 - year fundraising appeal in September, we have raised over £3000.00

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 will be introduced at the 11.30 Sunday Mass in the New Year so that everyone will have the chance to learn and be familiar with all the singing on the day.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS:

You are invited to buy a flower or more than one in memory of a loved one / or ones for Christmas. These flowers will be used to decorate the Church and Altar during the Christmas Season. Names will be entered into a memorial book and will be placed on the Altar during the Christmas Masses. For EACH name you are invited to donate a minimum of £3. Place your money in an envelope and write "Christmas Flowers" on the top along with the name of the person (s) to be REMEMBERED underneath. Please place this through the Presbytery door OR GIVE TO FR Patrick, Mary, Fr Jinse or the sisters, up until 19th Dec at the latest! Names after this cannot be included. What better way to remember your loved ones at this time!

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.

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

MASS SCHEDULE CON'T 29TH DECEMBER FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

AT OLSH	MASS	9 30 AM	Christine Connearn 2nd A RIP
AT HOLY FAMILY	MASS	10 00 AM	Rita Purcell RIP 39th A
AT ST FRANCIS	MASS	11.30 AM	Mona McAteer

Tuesday 31st

At OLSH	Requiem	9 30 am	Patricia Short RIP
At Holy Family	Midnight		People of the Parish

Wednesday 1st Jan

At OLSH	Mass	9 30 am	Thanksgiving
At St Francis	Mass	9 30 am	Slane & Hewitson ints
At Holy Family	Midday		Grace & Mick O'Hara Shirley Kelly

Thursday 2nd Jan

At Holy Family	Mass	9 30 am	Katheen Hegarty RIP
At OLSH	Mass	9 30 am	Kerry & Ricky Ashby RIP

Friday 3rd Jan

At Holy Family	Requiem	9 30 am	Maria Giuseppa Carrasco RIP
At St Francis	Mass	9 30 am	Philip Margaret Tommy Joseph McGuinness Fam

Saturday 4th Jan

At Francis	Mass	4 00pm	Sandra Clinton RIP
At Holy Family	Mass	5 00pm	Clare Burke RIP A

Sunday 5th Jan Feast of Epiphany

At OLSH Mass	Mass	9 30 am	In Thanksgiving Norma & Lester
At Holy Family	Mass	10 00 am	Nora & Tony O'Malley RIP A Valentine Gordon RIP A
At St Francis	Mass	11 30 am	Benefactors of the DSFS

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS: 15th December 2024

ST FRANCIS	BEDWORTH :	£1009.14	+ Standing Orders
Our Lady of the Sacred Heart	BULKINGTON:	£258.5	+ Standing Orders
Holy Family	Coventry	£758.57	+ Standing Orders

THE COLLECTION ON CHRISTMAS EVE AND CHRISTMAS DAY ARE FOR YOUR PARISH CLERGY. THERE ARE ENVELOPES AT THE BACK OF ALL THREE OF OUR CHURCHES.

OLSH Bulkington News

Over 50's Meets in the Parish Hall 2nd Thursday of the Month

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Parish Choir.

BULKINGTON 100 CLUB Numbers are available if you would like to join at £2.00 per month. Winners for November No 21 Moyniham No 15 Toal No 64 Hart 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

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

Knight of St Gregory. Dr Joseph Booker will be given this diocesan award by the Archbishop on Sunday 2nd February at OLSH at 12 noon Mass. We congratulate and celebrate with Eileen and Dr Joseph's family. There will be refreshments afterwards in the hall. We hope to get volunteers to help with the Mass and also with the tea's in the hall afterwards.

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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. **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 CAMERA AT BULKINGTON IS NOT WORKING AS THE WIFI RECEIVER WAS DAMAGED DURING THE RECENT HIGH WINDS ALSO THE INTERNET IS NOT WORKING AT ST FRANCIS SO THE CAMERA IS NOT WORKING THEY WILL BE FIXED AS SOON AS WE CAN)

Missalettes

There are now missalettes to help with following the Mass. Fr Patrick has a blog online that contains poems and reflections going back many years! You can visit it at www.humblepiety.blogspot.com

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. “

Holy Spirit Mac Foodbank:

On behalf of the staff and families in the Holy Spirit MAC, I would like to offer my sincere thanks for the extraordinary generosity extended in each of the MAC parishes in response to our Christmas Foodbank Appeal last weekend. The senior leaders who appealed at each Mass were genuinely overwhelmed by your willingness to contribute to what is one of our biggest social action projects of the year. Working together, you enabled us to provide a full Christmas shop to almost 200 families, meaning that no child has to experience a Christmas without enough food to eat. You donated the following:

ST. FRANCIS & OUR LADY OF THE SACRED HEART - £1967.75

St. Anne's – £440.50

Our Lady of the Angels - £1893.55

St. Benedict's - £445.32

Total - £4904.61

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