

## ANNIVERSARIES

Rev George Brewster, Rev George Tarrant, Rev John Flynn, Bishop Kevin Dunn, Rev William Diver, Rev Douglas Carter, Ellen McCarroll, Irene Cooper, Peter Yates, Iris Matts, Carrie Icteton, Rex Fallon, Laura Wheatley, Laura Wilkinson, John Avery, Patrick McGonagle, William Humphries, Jill Cooper, Michael McGonagle, Fred Reay, Eileen Martin, Harry Davenport, Jenny Chilton, Gladys Stagg, Florence Parsons, Anne Hastings, Maggie Calvert, Doris Purvis, Gerald Leatham, Michael Connors, Bridget Norton, Gary Dudgeon, Canon Gary Byrne, William Walton, Josie Fitzpatrick, Stefan Hartman, Nathan Cole John Davies, Breeda Kiely, Sharon Haughton, Robert Kettle, David Patrick Rosina Murray, Margaret Copson, Stephen McEnery

**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, Bob Darleston

## RECENTLY DECEASED MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

Andrew Bull (SF) John Donelley (OLSH) John Diver (OLSH)

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](mailto:sg.sfoa.bedworth@rcaob.org.uk) [sg.hf.covty@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.hf.covty@rcaob.org.uk) or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto: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

## **7TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME**

**Fr Patrick Brennan P.P Fr Jinse Thomas - Assistant Fr Bernard Anwyl (At St Josephs)  
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Parish Sisters: Sister Mary Jane and Sister Lilly

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Headteacher Grainne Griffiths Website <http://holyfamily.coventry.sch.org.uk>  
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Headteacher Sarah Hubbard  
Website <http://www.stfranciscatholicprimary.co.uk>

### Saturday 22nd February Weekend Mass Schedule for our Three Parishes

At St Francis		3-345 Rosary	Exposition Divine Mercy Confessions
At Francis	Mass	4 00pm	Thanksgiving to the Sacred Heart
At Holy Family	Mass	5 00pm	Kate Ferry RIP A Fred & Delia Forbes Muir Pollock RIP

### Sunday 23rd February 7th Sunday Year C

At OLSH Mass	Mass	9 30 am	Pete Dodd 17th A RIP
At Holy Family	Mass	10 00 am	Jack Keeney
At St Francis	Mass	11 30 am	Monica Cole 6th A RIP
Monday	24th Feb		
OLSH	Rosary	4 00 pm	
Tuesday	25th Feb		
At Holy Family	Mass	8 30 am	Coley McDonagh RIP
At OLSH	Mass	9 30 am	
At OLSH	Reception	5 00 pm	Joh Diver RIP
Wednesday	26th Feb		
At Holy Family	No Mass		
At St Francis	Mass	9 30 am	St Jude
At OLSH	Requiem	9 30 am	John Diver RIP
Thursday	27th Feb		
At Holy Family	Mass	9 30 am	Robert Cramp Birthday
At OLSH	Mass	9 30 am	Rene Tynan RIP
Friday	28th Feb		
At Holy Family	Mass	9 30 am	John Byrne RIP A
At St Francis	Mass	9.30 am	Thanksgiving Sacred Heart
At OLSH	Requiem	11.00 am	John Donnelly RIP

### SAT 1ST MARCH WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE 8TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

At St Francis		3-345 Rosary	Exposition Divine Mercy Confessions
At St Francis	MASS	4.00 PM	Malcolm Miller RIP A
At Holy Family	Mass	5 00 pm	Denis Edwards 21st A RIP

### SUNDAY 2ND MARCH 8TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME YEAR C

At OLSH	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

## 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 (Moirra) 12TH JUNE AGM & CAKE**

**SUMMER BREAK**

**11TH SEPTEMBER QUIZ (DENIS)**

**9TH OCTOBER WARWICKSHIRE AIR RESCUE**

**13TH NOVEMBER WILLOW WEAVING 11TH DECEMBER CHRISTMAS EVENT**

**UCM** 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.

**BULKINGTON 100 CLUB** 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** The final total of shoe boxes sent from our group for Christmas 2024 was 2203. They were received by children in Oradea, Western Romania as well as Moldova and Ukraine. Each box contains a Christmas card and, this year, one of the Ukrainian parents tracked down our base at Stretton on Dunsmore and sent a lovely letter of thanks for the box received by his daughter. 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. We take a breather in January but will be renewing our efforts from next month. 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](mailto:cogs3561@hotmail.com) or phone 07900024385

**THE HEATING** We had the gas board in on Tuesday and the boiler has now been condemned (Over 30 years old!). We have secured two quotes to replace the existing three boilers with a more efficient combi which will satisfy the heating in the church. We have managed to reach an agreement with our existing gas engineer and the price will be £2,950.00. When we need to replace these big items we take a financial hit, therefore if we could look to paying this bill from individual donations, all help would be most appreciated. The new boiler will be installed on Wednesday 26th February.

**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**

We are heading in the right direction, building up our parish. It is lovely to be amongst you, and at the start of each year a good time to remind us of our responsibility to help the parish grow and ask what can I do to help? The painting is almost complete, there are only small sections left and we need to repair the windows from the outside. The new lights have been ordered, a couple will be fitted this week and the rest the following week. The pancake tasting will take place after the Friday morning Mass on the 7th March. We did hope to have this fundraising event before lent but too many funerals have come in, so we have had to change the date accordingly. A cup of coffee or tea with pancake in the Canon Roughan room will be £5.00 all proceeds to the 150 year celebration fund.

#### **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

#### **CHURCH PAINTING**

Our church needed repair to some of the wood which has now been fully treated and all the damp areas have been taken out and re-plastered; when these works were completed, painting was necessary. We thank you for your patience while work is being carried out. The sculptures in the church were visited by Mr Carmel Cauchi and his family and they have given some wonderful feedback and advice on cleaning these precious pieces of art. The two statues at the back of the sanctuary have been donated by the sisters.

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

#### **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.

## **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 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 Holy Family, St Francis and OLSH are streamed live on YouTube.

#### **MISSALETTES**

There are now missalettes to help with following the Mass. If you wish to make a small donation to the missalettes please place in the basket. Many Thanks!

#### **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.

#### **ANNUAL FINANCIAL RETURNS**

The returns for the three parishes have been submitted on time to the diocese. The pastoral statistics for the year have also been submitted. There will be a summary of the financial year put on the noticeboards by the end of February.

#### **OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS: 16th February 2024**

<b>ST FRANCIS</b>	<b>BEDWORTH :</b>	<b>£551.47</b>	<b>+ Standing Orders</b>
<b>Our Lady of the Sacred Heart</b>	<b>BULKINGTON:</b>	<b>£462.43</b>	<b>+ Standing Orders</b>
<b>Holy Family</b>	<b>Coventry</b>	<b>£1157.47</b>	<b>+ Standing Orders</b>

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

**FRIENDS OF THE HOLY LAND FUNDRAISING CONCERT:** At St Chad's Cathedral on Thursday 27th February at 7pm, featuring classical folk and choral music by a range of musicians and singers, as well as dance displays. There will be a brief talk by Fr Mamdouh Abusada (a Melkite priest from Bethlehem who'll be visiting the UK) about life and conditions in Bethlehem and the Holy Land. The artists are supporting this charity to gain much needed funds for the Holy Land region. Acts include OneLife Music, Elena Wilcox classical violinist and friends, Rosemary Robinson soprano and friends, DMJ folk, MacSiúrtáin Irish music, McCarthy/Felton Irish dance and other acts to be confirmed. Tickets cost £25 and are available to buy via the Archdiocese of Birmingham website (under Latest/Events)

**RETREAT DAY FOR EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:** at St Thomas More's on Saturday 22nd March 22nd, 9:30am to 1pm.

### **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](mailto:knockpilgrimages@gmail.com).

## **HOLY FAMILY NEWS:**

### **YOUNG AT HEART:**

Thursday's 10 am in the Hall. (Half term no meeting)

### **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. 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. 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 5pm

### **EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS ROTA**

Saturday	22nd Feb	Prashadi Rigtors	1st March	Tony Stapleton
Sunday	23rd Feb	See Rota	2nd March	See Rota

### **ALTAR SERVING.**

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

### **HALL CAR PARK GAS LEAK**

The new gas pipe line has now been laid and all internal works completed i.e. connections to the existing boilers and cosmetic construction completed in the boiler housing. We have also had new doors fitted to cover the parish meters at the bottom of the car park. The result of this work has left a gaping hole in our finances. We have received £2000.00 and that is very much appreciated. As a parish community we are called to work together for the good of the parish we are always called to pull together to help the parish grow. This expense incurred by the parish is on top of utility bills and other costs which drain the finances of the parish. If you can help please do. At this time of year it might be an idea to increase our giving to help the parish. Your generosity is the lifeblood of the parish without it our parish will not survive into the future.