

OUR LADY OF THE SACRED HEART, BULKINGTON AND SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI, BEDWORTH



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Sunday 30th April 2023—FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - VOCATIONS SUNDAY— YEAR A

ALL Masses will be LIVE STREAMED: DAILY MASSES: TUESDAY – SUNDAY. Please do not attend if you are feeling unwell for any reason. Before each weekday Mass, the Rosary will be said at 9.15am. Tea and Coffee after Mass in Bulkington on Sundays.

Sat 29 At St Francis	3.15—3.45 pm 4.00 pm	Feast of St Catherine of Siena Rosary, Exposition, Divine Mercy and Confessions Denis, John & Sheila Reidy RIP Nathan Cole RIP (C Gwynne) (Joan Richards)
Sun 30 At Bulkington	9.30 am	Fourth Sunday Of Easter Robert Andrew Moynihan RIP Special Intention: Maria Crosby (Sheila & Ann-Marie) (Margaret Garrett)
At St Francis	11.30 am	Charlie Culleton RIP Special Intention: In Thanksgiving for Safe Delivery of Theodore Joyson (Eileen Kennedy) (Joyson)
Mon 1st May At Bulkington	7.00 pm	Rosary
Tues 2 At Bulkington	9.30 am	Memorial of St Athanasius Special Intention: Sr Aquinas—Birthday In Memoriam: Don Friswell RIP
Wed 3 At St Francis	9.30 am	Feast of Ss Philip & James, Apostles Luke Andrew Tedds RIP 20th Anniversary Bernard Ison RIP Anniversary (Paul & Theresa) (Margaret)
Thurs 4 At Bulkington	9.30 am 5.00 pm 4.30—5.30 pm 5.30—6.30 pm	Feast of the English Martyrs Special Intention: Brian Copson—90th Birthday In Memoriam: Audrey Goode RIP Reception of Margaret Blackwell RIP Communion Classes Confirmation Classes
Fri 5 At St Francis	9.30 am 11.30 am	Intentions of King Charles III Clare & John Dutton RIP Funeral Mass of Margaret Blackwell RIP (Fr Paul & Fr Des) (Sr Ann– Marie)
Sat 6 At St Francis	3.15—3.45 pm 4.00 pm	Rosary, Exposition, Divine Mercy and Confessions Gerry Campbell RIP Special Intention: Theresa Rowe (Pat & Gerry) (Ferdie Lennon)
Sun 7 At Bulkington	9.30 am	Fifth Sunday Of Easter Bob Crosby RIP—1st Anniversary Sylvia & Bill Sharpe RIP Ann Ganley RIP Mae Ryan RIP (Marie) (Sheila Abell) (Kath Chedlow) (Month's Mind)
At St Francis	11.30 am	Charlie Culleton RIP Dennis, John & Sheila Reidy (J & A Spencer) (C Gwynne)

Please pray for our relatives, friends, those in the parish who are sick and their carers -: Susan Basnett, Dianne Fletcher, Sheila Hill, Monica Horner, Pat Sugrue, Fr Simon Hall, Liam Carroll, Gillian Ainsley, Graham Sheen, Richard Beardsley and Julie Wastie-Beardsley, Natalie Sugrue, Aileen Glynn, Yvonne Neale, Carmel, Mr Roe, Paul Tedds, Mary Evans, Ann Magee, Norman Barr, Peter Moore, Janet Pittam, Sue Owen, Jean Kimber, Lauren Glynn, Baby Florence, Mgr Graham Wilkinson, Tina & Baby, Rebecca Woodward, Natalie Brett, Wendy Williams, Nuala Nash, Sr Mary Veronica, Paul Wooding, Pat McKenna, Ronald Boote, Carmel Brady, Richard Grindal, Eddie Head, John Ison, Chris Ison, Pat Skerritt and Mike Skerritt, Debbie Colby

Anniversaries

Rev Peter Cooney, Rev Peter Heath, Deacon James Fantham, Rev Thomas O'Connor, Rev David Duggan, Rev Michael Byrne, Canon Bernard Hill, Rev James Dutton, Wilf Dewis, Nancy Smith, John Ross, Nan Lees-McKillopp, Marjorie Thornton, Bridie Caines, Veronica Ryan, Maureen Reilly, Robert Devenny, Robert Moynihan, Elsie Egan, Frank Mulligan, Mona Storey, Annie Dixon, Tom Hurley, Sean Murphy, Alice Nugent, Bob Crosby

Recently Dead

Alan MacCarry, Margaret Blackwell, Mae Ryan, Monica Hynes, Andrew Colby, Charlie Bradley, Gerry Daley, Margaret Blackwell, RIP

May they rest in Peace. Amen

PARISH PRAYER: - HOLY SPIRIT, TURN OUR GOOD INTENTIONS INTO SOMETHING REAL
AND ACTIVE AND FRUITFUL AND HELP US TO ENJOY THE PROCESS.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR: 23rd April 2023

ST FRANCIS:

Main collection Envelopes: £20 Loose: £325

Church Maintenance : £10

PLUS standing orders of approx. £71.00 per week

TOTAL £426

OLSH BULKINGTON:

GIFT AID: £ 169 Non Gift Aid & Loose: £137.13

Building Fund Gift Aid: £87.95 Non Gift Aid: £35.16

PLUS Standing Orders of Approx £251 per week

TOTAL £680.24 THANK YOU!

For Your Information: The Gas bill to heat SF church is approx. £1000 each month and to heat OLSH is approx. £500.

As requested, the **Parish Bank Details** in order to set up Standing Orders are as follows:

St Francis R.C.A. of Birmingham St Francis Of Assisi Parish
Bedworth. Sort Code: 60-02-53 Account No: 53121619

OLSH R.C.A of Birmingham Our Lady of the Sacred Heart
Bulkington. Sort Code: 60-02-53 Account No: 53603249.

SCHOOL NEWS

Dear All -This week the children got off to a great start with Year 1 leading an assembly on Monday. It is incredible how such young children can speak with great confidence to a big audience. The skill of public speaking became a little lost over the periods of lockdown, seeing the children developing those skills again is wonderful. Once again, we welcomed visitors to school to enrich the curriculum, Seven Trent delivered a water assembly this week, helping the children to realise their environmental responsibilities and specialist cricket coaches returned to school to further develop the children's skills in the game. We finished the week looking forward to a long weekend and the coronation celebrations we have planned for next week. As always, the children keep the parish in their prayers, and we ask that you remember us in yours.

RCIA:

Following the wonderful Receptions at Easter, the next RCIA meeting will take place on 10th May at 6pm.

The final meeting will take place on 24th May.

OVER FIFTIES: The next meeting of the Over 50s is on Thursday 11th May at 2.00 pm in the Parish Hall. It is the rearranged performance of the **Nuneaton Ukelele Band**. All over 50s welcome.

UCM: The next meeting will be on Wednesday 10th May at 2.00 pm. All ladies welcome!

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION:

We are now preparing for First Holy Communion which will take place at the 9.30am Masses on May 14th and 21st. Please continue to remember the children and their families in your prayers.

MASS INTENTIONS: Please give at least 6 weeks notice to ensure requested date.

TAIZE PRAYER: This will be held in the **Chapel of Unity, Coventry Cathedral** on the first Sunday of each month beginning at **5:00pm**.

CHRISTMAS SHOE BOXES: Please bring donations to the 9.30am Mass on Sundays or I am happy to collect if you contact me on 07900024385 or email cogs3561@hotmail.com

BEING A WELCOMING CHURCH—Father Hudson's

A series of free, one hour long Zoom sessions. To register, email fundraising@fatherhudsons.org.uk or visit their Eventbrite page. **All sessions run from 7.30—8.30pm.**

Supporting Older People, esp. with dementia.

Please sign up at <https://www.eventbrite.com/cc/a-welcoming-church-1741579>

Mon 22/05/23 Disabilities **Mon 19/06/23** Homelessness

ANNUAL THANKSGIVING MASS FOR MARRIAGE

An invitation is extended to our annual Mass for Marriage at St Chad's Cathedral on Saturday 29th April at 12 Noon, followed by light refreshments. Please visit www.vocations.org.uk/marriage-mass

COMMUNION FOR THE SICK: If anyone you know is sick or housebound and would like to receive Communion, please contact the Sisters —Tel 02476 640 684. Sister Mary Jane and Sister Alphonsa would be delighted to visit and we do not want anyone to feel overlooked.

“RED BOXES”

The total collected for the March quarter was £500.00 This does not include donations made directly to APF/Missio.

The total for **2022** collected by our parish was **£2953.04**.

Many thanks to Mesdames: Andrews, Beddows, Chesterton, Langham, Waddoups and Waring and to

Messieurs Alexander, Neale & Spicer, also to all the red box holders and donors who made this total possible.

If any parishioners would like to have a Red Box or would like to donate directly to Missio please contact Agnes Hill.

KENELM YOUTH TRUST COURSES:

1. Youth Minister Training—for over 18's and is called 'Bethsaida'. It is certificated and approved by the

Archdiocese and covers six subjects: Called to a definite service, Creating an engaging youth programme, Sharing our faith, Group work and leadership (for young people and leaders) Creating a safe environment (GDPR, Safeguarding), Digital ministry. Zoom Meetings on Wednesday evenings from 26th April

2. Mental Health First Aid. Held on June 19, 20, 26, 27th 6:30-9pm on zoom. Youth Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) courses are for everyone who works with, lives with or supports young people aged 8-18. They will teach you the skills and confidence to spot the signs of mental health issues in a young person, offer first aid and guide them towards the support they need. In doing so, you can speed up a young person's recovery and stop a mental health issue from getting worse.

We aim to give you the information and skills to look after your own mental health so that you can set an example for young people. By giving you the tools to have these conversations, we hope to empower you to create a mentally healthy, supportive environment in your family, school, peer group or community.

To find out more, head to our website: <https://www.kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk/mental-health.html>

For information or to book these **free** courses, email maria.bracken@kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk

The Divine Mercy Apostolate, London is holding a Divine Mercy Retreat 2023 at St Anthony of Padua RC Church, 115 Headley Way, Oxford, Oxfordshire, OX3 7SS on Saturday 13 May 2023 from 1:30 pm to 4:30 pm led by the Marian Fathers. The Retreat will include teachings on the Message of Mercy, Stations of the Cross, Holy Mass, Hour of Mercy with Adoration and Benediction and Veneration of the Image of Merciful Jesus. All Welcome. Please call Millie on 07957594646 for more information

CHURCH FLOWERS: If anyone is able to help with the church flowers to decorate Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, could they please contact Father or the Sisters.

Dear Parishioners,

This week we will celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III. I am sure this will be an opportunity for us to have our own private celebrations.

This weekend, we have a Pastoral Letter on Vocations from the Archbishop. Please remember to keep this in your prayers.

On Thursday 22nd June 2023, I will celebrate my belated Silver Jubilee 1996-2021. (Now 27 years). The pandemic prevented having any public celebration. I will be 25 years as Parish Priest here in Weston, Bulkington on 1st May 2023. Sr Alphonsa celebrates her Silver Jubilee while she is in Kerala, so we decided to have a joint celebration in June. It will be the first time that we have been able to have a celebration since the pandemic. It's an occasion where I want parishioners to relax and enjoy. We will get caterers in to provide the food etc. Watch this space!

Every Blessing!

Fr Michael. xx

BULKINGTON 100 CLUB (April 2023) 1st **16**, 2nd **19**, 3rd **25**. Next Draw is in May 2023.

Many thanks to everyone who supports the 100 club. Congratulations to the winners! **Numbers are available if you would like to join at £2.00 per month.** See Janet Cooper. **Don't forget – Not in it? Can't win it!**