

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



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The Year of the Word - Sunday 29th December 2019 Feast of the Holy Family (A)

Be kind and gentle when we are making decisions. The readings today challenge us to listen sensitively to each other; to be prepared to let go of our own desires and to be deeply aware of each other's thoughts and feelings as we make decisions together. For this we need to ask the Holy Spirit to open our hearts to the gifts of compassion and understanding, courage and hopefulness. After Mass, tea and coffee will be served in the Parish Hall.

Sat 28th Dec	4.00pm	No Exposition and Confessions. Patricia Culleton RIP (Garratt).	Bedworth
Sun 29th	9.30am	Tom Wood RIP (Kate).	Bulkington
	11.30am	Peter & Paula Kennedy RIP (Eileen).	Bedworth
Mon 30th	7.00pm	The Rosary.	Bulkington
Tues 31st	9.30am 8pm till late	Ken Gamble RIP (Tedds). New Years Eve Celebrations in Parish Hall.	Bulkington
Wed 1st Jan	11.00am	Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God. Frank Mulligan RIP (Gilheaney).	Bedworth
Thurs 2nd	9.00am 9.30am	Exposition and Confessions. Julia Matts RIP (Garratt).	Bulkington
Fri 3rd	9.30am	Priests and Parishioners (Ison).	Bedworth
Sat 4th	3.15-3.45pm 4.00pm	Exposition and Confessions. Jeanne Murtagh RIP.	Bedworth
Sun 5th	9.30am	John Hughes RIP (4th Anniversary) (Tom & Bridget).	Bulkington
	11.30am	Frank Mulligan RIP.	Bedworth

ANNIVERSARIES

Rev Francis Etherington CO, Rev Cyril Evans, Rev Patrick Lynch, Deacon Peter Mason, Anne Seabright, Delia Crosland, Robert Hill, Charles Gavigan, Stanley Dare, Phyllis Bryan, Tom Wood, John O'Donnell, Gertrude Fletcher, Veronica Homme-Wilson, Tom Noonan, Joseph Fletcher, Eddie Dwyer, Alex Wright, Inge Will, Herman Will, Jean Turner, John Stuart, Maria Ainsworth, Mary Jones, Doris Carter, Elizabeth (Chrissie) Garratt, Laurie Western, Sheila Garry.

RECENTLY DEAD

Fr Brian Dolan, Sr Sabina Staff, Canon Gerry Breen, Fr John P. Dewis, Fr John Ellis, Sandra Cameron, David Abell RIP.

May they rest in peace. Amen.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR RELATIVES, FRIENDS, THOSE IN THE PARISH WHO ARE SICK AND THEIR CARERS - Cath Hurley, Janet Pittam, Bridie Guilfoyle, Sue Owen, Dale Cox, Joyce Cotterill, Jean Kimber, John Burns, Lauren Glynn, Baby Florence, Mgr Graham Wilkinson, Fr Gerry Doyle, Tina & Baby, Ann Allsop, Paul Cooper, Rebecca Woodward, Natalie Brett, Wendy and Bryn Williams, Val Maund, Raymond and Nuala Nash, Tony Pittam, Jess Scoffham, Maria Dixon, Margaret Smith, Sr Mary Veronica, Jane Goodyear, Paul Wooding, Joan McKenna, Pat McKenna, Horace Birch.

THE ROSARY is recited every Monday evening at 7.00pm in Bulkington and every Friday morning at Bedworth at 9.10am. For information regarding **BAPTISM**, please see our parish website at www.olshweston.org. **HOSPITALS** For George Eliot Hospital - Fr Matthew Pittam on 01788 833547 and if it is urgent please contact the hospital switchboard (024 7635 1351) and ask to speak to the on-call chaplain. For University Hospital, Coventry and Myton Hospice contact St Osburg's on 024 7622 0402.

NEW HYMN BOOKS, NEW OPPORTUNITIES TO LEARN NEW MUSIC We're looking for more singers and musicians to join our choir. No experience necessary. You don't need to read music. Just enthusiasm and willingness to learn. Choir practice is held at Bulkington 7.30 pm on a Monday night. We'd love to see you. If you want to know more, See Jenny at Bulkington or Andrew at Bedworth.

UCM We are hosting World Day of Prayer on Friday 6th March 2020 at 2.00pm. It has been prepared by the Christian Women of Zimbabwe. All are welcome.

COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION GROUPS will begin again in the New Year on Thursday 9th January 2020.

THANK YOU to everyone for their generous donations towards the Christmas Flowers.

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

CHRISTMAS SHOE BOXES We have recently completed our final packing session for this year and the first consignment of shoe boxes is already on its way to deprived children living in the region of the Danube Delta. The support that we have received from parishioners in Bedworth and Bulkington has helped us to send 2706 boxes from our group based at Stretton on Dunsmore. Our coordinator, Pam Hopwood has asked me to pass on her thanks for all the items for the boxes as well as the financial donations which have made a significant contribution towards transport costs of £6500. It was a lovely surprise to learn from Mrs Culleton that children at St Francis School had also been collecting on our behalf. Thank you to the members of the School Council who helped me to fill the boot and back seat of my car with kind, thoughtful and generous donations from parents and pupils. We are already looking ahead to next year so please remember to save your cracker novelties on Christmas Day. Thank you again for your support. *Margaret Patrick - Shoe Box volunteer.*

Myself, Fr Mathew, and the Sisters would like to thank you all for your great generosity to us this Christmas. The cards, gifts, Masses and generous Christmas Offerings were very much appreciated. The Christmas Masses were very well attended and I would like to thank those in both Parishes for all the long hours of preparation and hard work that has been made to make the Churches and the Masses be as prayerful as possible. I would like to thank the choirs, Organists and Altars servers. The flower arrangers in both parishes for the spectacular displays. Those who put up the trees and also set out the Cribs in both places, those who worked behind the scene in the Sacristy preparing the Altar Linen, cleaning silverware and brassware as well as cleaning the churches. If I have inadvertently forgotten anyone I am sorry but I thank you all who have some part in making Christmas so meaningful this year. A Mass will be offered for you all in Thanksgiving later in January 2020! A very Happy & Blessed New Year to you all!

God Bless

Fr. Michael



OUR LADY OF THE SACRED HEART, BULKINGTON

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

For Sunday 22nd December 2019 **£372.56**

Maintenance Fund **£134.76**

Thank you very much.

100 CLUB (DECEMBER)

1st **38**, 2nd **47**, 3rd **28**. Why not join the 100 Club! For just 50p per week (£2 per month, paid monthly) you could win a 1st Prize of £60, a 2nd Prize of £25, or a 3rd Prize of £15. Please see Janet or Terence. Many thanks for supporting the 100 Club.

The **PIETY SHOP** will be open after weekend Masses. A large selection of **Christmas** gifts, cards, etc. are available.

FOODBANK Thank you for your continued support. Sadly, the need for food banks is growing, not diminishing. We have fed OVER 7000 families since April, over 1000 of them children. So a massive thank you. As well as food we also need toiletries such as soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo etc. Please keep them in your prayers. **THANK YOU.**

APF (RED BOX) Annual return from Our Lady of the Sacred Heart for 2019 totalled £2708.68. Thank you to Frank Spicer, the collectors and your generosity during the year.

MENS CARD NIGHT the next Card Night is on Friday 7th February at 8.00pm in Parish Hall. For more information, please see Graham Alexander or call him on 024 7634 6243. All are welcome.

READERS ROTA

Sun 29th December - Gerry Cullen

OUR LADY OF THE SACRED HEART DIARY

New Years Eve celebrations on Tues 31st December. Tickets £10. Contact Eileen Clarke 024 7631 1650 or 0785 3899630.

Over 50s Thurs 9th January 2020 2pm-4pm. Archaeology with Danny McAvee.

UCM Wed 22nd January at 7.30pm. AGM.

UCM Jumble Sales on Sat 1st and Sat 29th February at 11.00am in Parish Hall.

First Holy Communion Sunday 17th May 2020 at 9.30am.

Confirmation Sunday 14th June 2020 at 9.30am.

ST FRANCIS of ASSISI, BEDWORTH

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

For Sunday 22nd December 2019 **£342.00**

Maintenance Fund **£192.87**

Thank you very much.

100 CLUB (DECEMBER)

1st **52**, 2nd **38**, 3rd **95**. Why not join our 100 Club? For just £1 per week you could win a 1st Prize of £80, a 2nd Prize of £50, or a 3rd Prize of £30. Please see Peter Oakley or Mary Smith if you would like to join.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY I thought it would be a good idea for us to think about the children and families who are struggling at this time. With this in mind I would like to ask our children and parents to bring in some gifts that we can send to our local food bank. We can all help to make this Christmas time really happy and meaningful for everyone. Thank you. *Cilla.*

PIETY SHOP is open after both weekend Masses. A large selection of **Christmas** cards, gifts etc. are available. Intention candles are available at only £3 to commemorate a loved one or to celebrate a special occasion.

CHOIR members are needed to join and sing please.

READERS ROTA

Sat 28th December - P. Oakley / J. Richards

Sun 29th December - I. Wooding / C. Dodd

ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI DIARY

Play and Stay Group every Thursday at 10.00am in Parish Hall (except holidays).

First Holy Communion Sat 16th May at 11.00am

Confirmation Tue 2nd June at 7.00pm.