

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



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The Year of the Word - Sunday 2nd February 2020 Feast of the Presentation of the Lord (A)

After Mass, tea and coffee will be served in the Parish Hall. IMPORTANT NOTE: Due to urgent maintenance inside the church, St Francis of Assisi, Bedworth will remain closed until further notice.

Sat 1st Feb	3.15-3.45pm 4.00pm	Exposition and Confessions. Jim & Bridie Tolan. Special Intention: Paul Tedds (Birthday).	Bulkington
Sun 2nd	9.30am 11.30am	Ann Cummins RIP (Tubb). For all the sick.	Bulkington
Mon 3rd	7.00pm	The Rosary.	Bulkington
Tues 4th	9.30am	Ken Hagan RIP (Denis).	Bulkington
Wed 5th	9.30am 7.30pm	Special Intention: Joe Jordan (Tedds). UCM meet in Parish Hall.	Bulkington
Thurs 6th	9.30am 4.30pm 5.30pm	Jack & Mary Bird RIP. Special Intention: Fr Bob Wright (Family). First Holy Communion preparation in Parish Hall. Confirmation preparation in Parish Hall.	Bulkington
	10.00am	Play and Stay Group meet in Parish Hall.	Bedworth
Fri 7th	9.30am	Special Intention: Terence Howkins (Birthday).	Bulkington
Sat 8th	3.15-3.45pm 4.00pm	Exposition and Confessions. Monica Cole RIP (Anniversary) (Mary, Jim and family). Connie Boyle RIP (Margaret Smith).	Bulkington
Sun 9th	9.30am 11.30am	Kathleen Mullen RIP (Edwards). Pro Populo.	Bulkington

ANNIVERSARIES

Rev Denis Clancy, Rev Joseph Connelly, Rev Thomas O'Carroll, Archbishop Frederick William Keating, Rev J.R. Watkins, Michael McCarthy, Elizabeth O'Reilly, Tom McMullin, Robert Baynam, Paul Murphy, Marjorie Humphriss, Jo Kelleher, Fred Longley, Malcolm Freeman, Bob Burnett, Martin Walsh, Elizabeth Pallett, Ken Hagan, Albert Ritchie, John Hill, Bill Friswell, Thomas Horsley, Hazel Bright, Denis McKeeown, Monica Cole,

RECENTLY DEAD

Connie Boyle, Reita Tedds, Moya Walker, Fr Brian Doolan RIP.

May they rest in peace. Amen.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR RELATIVES, FRIENDS, THOSE IN THE PARISH WHO ARE SICK AND THEIR CARERS - Peter Moore, 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.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION - BULKINGTON On Tuesday children and parents from the Bulkington group joined with families from St Francis School to learn more about the Sacrament of Reconciliation which they will receive for the first time on March 12th. We were made very welcome and would like to say 'Thank you' for the provision of some helpful resources which parents are encouraged to use with their children at home. This year we have 8 children in the Reconciliation and First Communion group and they will be joined by 3 others who regularly attend Mass in Bulkington for First Communion in May. Our Confirmation group is made up of 5 young people. We are really enjoying working with both groups this year - they are lively (in a good way!) and keen to contribute to discussion during our meetings.

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

SCHOOL NEWS This week began with a whole MAC training day. We began the day celebrating Mass and then focused on 'The God Who Speaks'. By reflecting on how God speaks to each of us as individuals, we grow in our own relationships with God. In turn this allows us, as teachers and nurturers to help the children in our care to also grow closer to God. Year 6 have led the school in prayer and contemplation this week during a beautiful Service of Light on Thursday afternoon. The week finished with senior leaders from across the MAC joining together to look at curriculum provision across the schools. We are committed to listening to God and his call to provide the best possible for each of our pupils! *Charlotte Culleton.*

ST FRANCIS BEDWORTH – AN UPDATE Firstly, can I thank you all for you tremendous support, words of encouragement and Anonymous donations that have so generously been received so far. It will be a major operation in the coming months to get to grips with the enormity of the job in hand and will of course take a lot of money. The church has had to be closed because of the Health and Safety of everyone. The Diocesan Surveyors words to me were "I don't know where to start". However the Lord is good and will provide. We have already started moving forward. The cameras went down the drains on Friday and meeting with the Architect is booked for next week. Then we will list the priorities and devise a plan of action! I am determined with your help and support to ensure that St Francis church will be a building "For the Greater Glory of God". I will take time but the result will be worth it! I will update you as we go along. Please do support the Masses at Bulkington in order to support the work at St Francis. The times of Masses 4.00pm Saturday, 9.30am and 11.30 am on Sunday. The collections for both 4.00pm Saturday and 11.30am Sunday go back to Bedworth. The Rotas and Children's Liturgy also transferred are as they would have been for Bedworth. I am hoping from this weekend also to continue with 100 club etc. Let us just pull together to enable great things to happen!

LENT DAY OF RECOLLECTION- SATURDAY 21ST MARCH 2020. 9.30AM-3PM LED BY FR JOHN UDRIS STL., (SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR TO OSCOTT COLLEGE) BULKINGTON PARISH HALL. Fr John Udris is a very gifted and talented man, who is a great Authority on St Therese of Lisieux and GK Chesterton. He has written many books on Therese for example "Holy Daring" and is a promoter for the canonisation of GK Chesterton. As a Priest of the Northampton Diocese, he has been a Parish Priest, Vocations Director and now is the Spiritual Director at Oscott College. He gives talks all over the country and we are very fortunate that he can give us a day of recollection here. This day is for Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Altar Servers, Musicians and anyone who would like to come. We will gather at 9.30 am, please bring a packed lunch. Tea and Coffee will be provided. A Full programme of the day will be available nearer the time. Please do try to attend. Could I please ask you to sign the sheet at back of church to ascertain numbers because

if there is room I would offer an invitation to Our Lady of the Angels. We must the most of this wonderful opportunity. Thank you. *Fr Michael*

MOYA WALKER RIP It is with great sadness that we announce the death of Moya Walker RIP who died suddenly. Our prayers and thoughts go to her family. Her funeral will be on Friday 14th February here at Bulkington at 9.30 am.

LENT 2020 As this year is focussed on the Word of God and the initiative of "The God who speaks" I would encourage all families to read at least a sentence or verse of Scripture each day. If families would like to purchase a Bible to read at home we can do that for you. Just ask myself or one of the sisters! During the weekdays of Lent there will be one hour of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament after each of the weekday Masses in both parishes. Please do your best to use this time well to become closer to the Lord in Lent!

MASS FOR THE SICK AND LUNCH FRIDAY 7TH FEBRUARY 2020 AT 12 NOON AT OUR LADY OF THE SACRED HEART BULKINGTON Mass to celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes with anointing for the sick, elderly and those in need will be held at Bulkington on Friday 7th February 2020 at 12 noon. Followed by a light lunch in the Parish Hall. Lunch will be prepared by the Parish and Year 6 children from St Francis School. If you would like to come please fill in a slip available below at the bottom of the newsletter. If you need transport please let us know and we can arrange it. Please give the slips to the Sisters or myself or ring the Sisters on 024 76 640684. All welcome. Thank you.

<p>I would like to come to Mass</p> <p>Name _____</p> <p>Telephone _____</p> <p>Would you like transport to/from church? Yes/No</p> <p>Please reply to St Francis Parish office 02476 640684</p>
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BULKINGTON SILVER BAND Present Music from "Stage and Screen" at St James Church Bulkington on Saturday 14th March 2020 7.30pm–9.30pm. To Support St James. Tickets £5.00 each (Under 16 free no ticket required). Raffle and Refreshments. Tickets available from Sue 07850983319 or Carol, Bulkington Silver Band 07718946141.

LADIES AUCTION NIGHT Join us for our Ladies Auction Night on Saturday 7th March at 7.00pm at St Francis Parish Hall Bedworth CV12 8JH. Buck's Fizz on arrival, bring your own drinks and an item or two to auction! All proceeds towards sending deserving pilgrims on pilgrimage to Lourdes this year with The Birmingham Diocese! Can't make it? Then why not donate an item. Tickets only £2. Please see Penny or call me on 07445 336573.

God Bless

Fr. Michael

OUR LADY OF THE SACRED HEART, BULKINGTON

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

For Sunday 26th January 2020 **£419.81**

Maintenance Fund **£177.54**

Thank you very much.

100 CLUB (JANUARY)

1st **49**, 2nd **80**, 3rd **60**. 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 gifts, cards, etc. are available.

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 2nd February - S. Robinson / K. Alexander

Sun 9th February - Keith & Tricia Lawlor

OUR LADY OF THE SACRED HEART DIARY

UCM meet in Parish Hall on Wed 5th February at 7.30pm.	First Holy Communion Sunday 17th May 2020 at 9.30am.
Over 50s Thurs 13th February 2020 2pm-4pm. Father John.	Confirmation Sunday 14th June 2020 at 9.30am.
UCM Jumble Sale on Sat 29th February at 11.00am in Parish Hall.	Summer Fete Sun 5th July at 10.30am in Parish Hall.

ST FRANCIS of ASSISI, BEDWORTH

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

For Sunday 26th January 2020 **£343.63**

Maintenance Fund **£215.84**

Thank you very much.

100 CLUB (JANUARY)

1st **52**, 2nd **22**, 3rd **16**. 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.

PIETY SHOP is closed (for now) after both weekend Masses. A large selection of 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 when the church reopens.

READERS ROTA

Sat 1st February - C. Thompson / M. Brennan

Sun 2nd February - T. Tedds / A. McGrory