

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



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The Year of the Word - Sunday 16th February 2020 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (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 15th Feb	3.15-3.45pm 4.00pm	Exposition and Confessions. Ken Gamble RIP (Cullen).	Bulkington
Sun 16th	9.30am 11.30am	Cathy Dolan RIP (Checkling). Hannah Loughran RIP (Haddon).	Bulkington
Mon 17th	7.00pm	The Rosary.	Bulkington
Tues 18th	9.30am	Hildegard Atherton RIP (Tubb).	Bulkington
Wed 19th	9.30am 7.30pm	Special Intention: Paul Tedds (Sisters). UCM meet in Parish Hall.	Bulkington
Thurs 20th	9.30am 6.00pm	In Thanksgiving: James & Angela Craig (60 years). Reception of John Burns RIP.	Bulkington
Fri 21st	10.00am	Funeral of John Burns RIP.	Bulkington
Sat 22nd	3.15-3.45pm 4.00pm	Exposition and Confessions. Special Intention: Joyce Hopkins (Oswin & Marie). Special Intention: Anne & Seamus Crowe (Paul & Viv).	Bulkington
Sun 23rd	9.30am 11.30am	Mary Anne Morris RIP. William Michael Balfe RIP (Roe & Wyatt). Peter Dodd RIP (Anniversary) (Cilla).	Bulkington

ANNIVERSARIES

Rev William Conefrey, Rev Joseph Denis McEvelly, Rev Timothy Healy, Rev Terence McDonnell, Rev Francis Jordan, Rev Alexander McGavin, Canon William Roughan, Rev Francis Coyle, Rev Sean Farrell, Canon Sean McTernan, Rev James Wharton, Betty Griffin, Robert Brothers, Dinah Evelyn Johnston, Marie Goodyear, Thelma Hardy, Muriel O'Leary, Eddie McCarroll, Irene Archer, Ian Smith, Dymphna McCarville, Jane Malone, Helen McCarroll, Robert Liddle, Frank Ward, Eddie Icton, Sr Clementina Ryan.

RECENTLY DEAD

Patricia O'Donnell, Rosemary McAlvoy, John Burns, Connie Boyle RIP.
May they rest in peace. Amen.

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

DEDICATING ENGLAND AGAIN TO THE 'DOWRY OF MARY' Mary's Dowry-England has been known as the 'Dowry of Mary' for up to 1,000 years, going back to the time of St Edward the Confessor (1042-1066), in whose reign the replica of the Holy House of Nazareth was built. On the Feast of Corpus Christi, 1381, King Richard II dedicated England to Mary as 'her dowry.' He went on pilgrimage to Walsingham two years later. And so, for 1,000 years, Walsingham has been the great shrine of prayer and pilgrimage for the people of this country in honour of Our Lady. On 29th March 2020, England will be rededicated as the 'Dowry of Mary.' This will happen in Westminster Cathedral, in Walsingham, in every Catholic Cathedral, in every parish and in as many homes as possible. We prepare for this by praying the Angelus after each Mass and encouraging parishioners to use this prayer in their lives.

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

SCHOOL NEWS Dear All, This week the children have come to the end of a very busy half term! After half term we will be preparing to begin Lent. Sister Eleanor from CAFOD will be coming to work closely with our children about the meaning of Lent and how we can witness Jesus through our actions. Margot from Father Hudson's Care will be visiting the children to share information about the social care work done in our Diocese and how we can support that work through fundraising. Through the Holy Spirit experience we are able to ensure our children have a wealth of experiences and opportunities to develop an understanding of charitable outreach and what it truly means to live a Catholic life. Ash Wednesday Mass will be celebrated in school on Wednesday 26th February at 9.30 am. Parishioners are very welcome to come along and attend. We look forward to seeing you there. *Charlotte Culleton.*

CHRISTMAS SHOE BOXES We have already had another meeting to begin preparations for Christmas 2020. Obviously any and all donations are welcome but we have identified new underwear and socks, notebooks of any size, 15cm/6 inch rulers, combs and toy cars as shortage items this year. If you can help us in any way, please leave donations at the back of church in Bulkington. Thank you for your ongoing support. Thanks also to everyone who helped with finances for transport costs. This year we needed to raise £2765 and managed to achieve this through donations, coffee mornings and other activities.

ST FRANCIS BEDWORTH – AN UPDATE I am now in a position to update you on the urgent works to be done at St Francis. The professionals both Surveyor and the Architect visited the church on Monday 10th February. The estimate for the work to be done is a colossal figure of around £350,000. I have received a detailed report of works to be carried out. This figure is only an estimate but does include VAT at 20%! The work will take some time to complete as it is so extensive. We certainly need a miracle! On my return from my holiday I will begin discussions with the Diocese on raising the finance and also explore all the options open to us. As a Parish community each parish is responsible for raising its own finance. There is no central fund. However we have to look positively on trying to find a solution. St Francis pray for us!

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*

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! The Walk with me books are available and are free at the back of Church. Please take a copy for yourself and invite a friend to join us in the journey during Lent. We will use them everyday at Mass. During Lent after each weekday Mass there will be an opportunity for one hour silent prayer before the Blessed Sacrament (Exposition). As it's the year of the "God who Speaks" focus on some scripture each day. Do try to do you best to spend a little time with the Lord during this time. "Prayer can move mountains".

THE SISTERS MISSION SOUTH AFRICA. This weekend the sisters have some wonderful pictures from the Mission in South Africa where we are sponsoring 28 children. These picture are available for all to look at. Masses will be said in March in Thanksgiving for all you as benefactors. May God Bless you all. *Fr Michael*

FOR BEDWORTH PARISHIONERS - WHEN COMING UP TO COMMUNION. Please come up to communion the right hand side first then after from the left hand side from the back first and the front bench last. This will uphold the dignity and respect when going to Communion. Thank You. *Fr Michael*

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER on Friday 6th March at 10.30am we will be joining women worldwide in celebrating World Day of Prayer at the Baptist Church, Coventry Road, Bedworth. This year it has been prepared by the Christian women of Zimbabwe. Please join us.

MASS FOR THE SICK If you were unable to get to the Mass for the Sick last Friday because of frailty and illness. If you would like to be anointed with the sacrament of the sick before Easter please can you let myself or one of the sisters know. The sisters 024 7664 0684. Thank you.

God Bless

Fr. Michael

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OFFERTORY COLLECTION

For Sunday 9th February 2020 **£551.82**

Maintenance Fund **£217.64**

Thank you very much.

100 CLUB (FEBRUARY)

1st **83**, 2nd **67**, 3rd **18**. 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.

UCM Many thanks to all who gave, helped and support our recent Jumble Sale which raised £200.00 for church funds, Our next Jumble Sale is on 29th February at 11.00am in the Parish Hall. Items of clothing and Bric-a-Brac are needed please, These can be brought to the Parish Hall on Friday morning 28th February at 10.30am. Unfortunately we can't accept any large items, videos, CDs or electrical items, thank you. Please contact Janet Cooper or any UCM member. UCM meet on Wednesday 19th February at 7.30 in the Parish Hall.

READERS ROTA

Sun 16th February - R. Cooper / J. Martin

Sun 23rd February - Paul & Pat Tubb

OUR LADY OF THE SACRED HEART DIARY

UCM Jumble Sale on Sat 29th February at 11.00am in Parish Hall.

Over 50s Thurs 12th March 2pm-4pm. Ukulele Band

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

Confirmation Sunday 14th June 2020 at 9.30am.

Summer Fete Sun 5th July at 10.30am in Parish Hall.

ST FRANCIS of ASSISI, BEDWORTH

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

For Sunday 9th February 2020 **£197.27**

Racial Justice **£105.25**

Restoration Fund **£2700.00**

Thank you very much.

100 CLUB (FEBRUARY)

1st **25**, 2nd **64**, 3rd **17**. 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 15th February - D. Simmons / M. Ison

Sun 16th February - C. Dodd / Sister Mary Jane