

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



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Sunday 3rd January 2021 Second Sunday after the Nativity (B)

Please Note: ALL Masses will be STREAMED: DAILY MASSES: TUESDAY – FRIDAY 9.30am, SATURDAY 4.00pm, SUNDAY 9.30am and 10.30am.

GUIDELINES FOR ATTENDING MASS: We are now in Tier 4 from 31st December. UP TO 30 PEOPLE. JUST LIKE BEFORE STRICT GUIDELINE OF WEARING A FACE COVERING, SANITISING YOUR HANDS AS YOU ENTER AND LEAVE CHURCH AS WELL AS KEEPING A 2 METRE DISTANCE. TRACK AND TRACE AS BEFORE WILL BE ALSO REQUIRED. IF YOU ARE UNWELL FOR ANY REASON PLEASE STAY AT HOME FOR THE SAKE OF OTHERS. YOU CAN STILL WATCH MASS THROUGH THE LIVE STREAMING. Do continue to give us a wave. If you have any prayer requests please either ring them through to me or email me at michaelgamble1@btinternet.com. If you would like me to ask for prayers please make this clear so that we comply with GDPR regulations. WE ALWAYS NEED MORE VOLUNTEER STEWARDS PARTICULARLY FOR THE WEEKENDS. IF WE DON'T HAVE ENOUGH STEWARDS/CLEANERS WE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO OPEN FOR PUBLIC MASS. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO VOLUNTEER FOR STEWARD DUTIES PLEASE CONTACT ME.

Sat 2nd Jan	4.00pm	Special Intention: Sr Navya – Birthday. Christina Smith RIP. Special Intention: Jim Smith and Family (Garrett).	Bulkington
Sun 3rd	9.30am 10.30am	In Thanksgiving – Dr P Crosby. Pro Populo. Baptism during Mass.	Bulkington
Mon 4th		No Mass.	Bulkington
Tues 5th	9.30am	Barry Leedham RIP (Ellen). Joan Ritchie RIP.	Bulkington
Wed 6th	9.30am	Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord For the People of the Parish.	Bulkington
Thurs 7th	9.30am	Margaret Ritchie RIP (Garratt).	Bulkington
Fri 8th	11.00am	NO PUBLIC MASS TODAY. Funeral Mass for Christina Smith RIP followed by burial in OLSH Cemetery (30 people Max).	Bulkington
Sat 9th	3.15-3.45pm 4.00pm	Prayerful Exposition. John Hughes RIP (Anniversary) (B+T Hughes).	Bulkington
Sun 10th	9.30am 10.30am	Julia & Kevin Matts RIP (Anniversary) (J& R Cooper). Marion Singleton RIP (Birthday and 50th Wedding Anniversary) (Family). Monica Cole RIP (Birthday) (Mary).	Bulkington

ANNIVERSARIES

Rev Martin Cassidy, Rev Philip Garrett, Canon Martin Power, Rev Francis Dwyer, Rev Philip Smith, Rev John P. Davis, Rev Brian Harding, Rev John Bentley, Rev Charles Becker, Rev Eugene Nee, Herman Will, Mary Jones, Doris Carter, Elizabeth (Chrissie) Garrett, Laurie Western, Sheila Garry, Neville Gill, Jack Breen, Martin Fallon, Sarah Adams, Bernadette Lappin, John Prodraski, Deceased members of the Ruck family, Renee Lloyd, Margaret Swaine, Pearl Smith, Roger Gore, Mary Richardson, Mary Chamberlain, Frank Keegan, Edna May Walton, Doris Sanderson, Peter Lewin, John Hughes, Tom McGovern, Kay Ensor, Margaret Applegate, Connie Boyle.

RECENTLY DEAD

Francis Moyana, Christina Smith, Roy Foulger, Matt Ruddel, Julia Vinod RIP.

May they rest in peace. Amen.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR RELATIVES, FRIENDS, THOSE IN THE PARISH WHO ARE SICK AND THEIR CARERS - Aileen Glynn, Yvonne Neale, John, Sean & Tammy Jones, Dianah Gillias, Maureen Harrison, Margaret Payne, Carmel, Mr Roe, Julie Friel, Fr David Bazen, Paul Tedds, Mary Evans, Brendan Murnin, Joshua Gallagher, Fr Michael Stack, Ann Magee, Norman Barr, William Walton, Peter Moore, Janet Pittam, Bridie Guilfoyle, Sue Owen, Dale Cox, Joyce Cotterill, Jean Kimber, Lauren Glynn, Baby Florence, Mgr Graham Wilkinson, Fr Gerry Doyle, Tina & Baby, Ann Allsop, Paul Cooper, Rebecca Woodward, Natalie Brett, Wendy and Bryn Williams, Raymond and Nuala Nash, Tony Pittam, Maria Dixon, Margaret Smith, Sr Mary Veronica, Jane Goodyear, Paul Wooding, Joan McKenna, Pat McKenna.

GIFT AID / CHURCH WEEKLY COLLECTIONS AND OFFERINGS AT THIS TIME NO INCOME IS COMING INTO THE PARISH AT ALL. ESSENTIAL MAINTENANCE AND RUNNING COSTS STILL HAVE TO BE PAID FOR. MAY I ASK YOU TO EITHER POST YOUR ENVELOPES THROUGH THE PRESBYTERY DOOR OR SAVE YOUR OFFERINGS EACH WEEK. ALTERNATIVELY YOU CAN MAKE A STANDING ORDER TO EITHER PARISH. SOME HAVE DONE THIS ALREADY AND I THANK YOU. IF YOU EMAIL ME (michaelgamble1@btinternet.com) I WILL SEND YOU THE PARISH DETAILS SO THAT YOU WILL BE ABLE TO SET THIS UP EASILY WITH YOUR BANK.

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

SCHOOL NEWS This year we have celebrated Advent and prepared for Christmas in a very different way. One amazing thing we have had the privilege to be part of is the MAC Just giving appeal. Over £8,500 has been raised to ensure every family and parishioner experiencing financial difficulty this year can celebrate the birth of Jesus with a Christmas meal. Thank - you for your great generosity, our parishes have supported this cause in a wonderfully generous way! Tomorrow staff across the MAC will begin packing and delivering over 1,000 meals. We will be starting our Christmas break by truly keeping Christ at the centre of everything we do. We wish you all a very happy and holy Christmas! The Staff and children of St Francis. *Charlotte Culleton, Principal, St Francis Catholic Academy.*

THE DAUGHTERS OF ST FRANCIS DE SALES MISSION APPEAL Sr Mary Jane and Sr Beena would like to thank you specially and most sincerely for the generous response received to their appeal of sponsoring a child in their orphanage and Mission for £120.00 per year. 40 children have now been sponsored including the 10 that both parishes sponsored. The sisters are very thankful and will get a Mass offered in Thanksgiving for all your intentions. **Dear Father Michael and the Parishioners,** Cordial greetings from the sisters of DSFS, Kakamas. We take this opportunity to thank you and each one of you for the generosity and kindness you showed for these our children. Here we are safe so far and all our students. Wishing you a Very joyous Christmas and a Happy New Year! DSFS Kakamas. See Parish website for the pictures.

WEEKLY OFFERINGS Please do keep sending your weekly Offerings that can be placed either through the Presbytery door in Bedworth or in Bulkington. The Sisters will make sure I get any Post or Offerings. Alternatively you can make a Direct debit payment by Standing order. If you would like the Bank details please contact me.

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ACT NOW AND ASK YOUR MP TO OPPOSE INTRODUCING ASSISTED SUICIDE The assisted suicide lobby have launched a large campaign to put pressure on the Government to reconsider the legalisation of assisted suicide. It is vital that it is clear to the Government that the public want them to continue to hold strong against this pressure from assisted suicide campaigners and reject their demands. Right To Life UK have set up an easy to use tool which will enable you to email your MP asking them to make it clear to the Government that it should not give into demands from the assisted suicide lobby to reconsider the legalisation of assisted suicide. It only takes 30 seconds to email your MP by visiting the link: <https://righttolife.org.uk/StopAssistedSuicide>

ST FRANCIS CHURCH, BEDWORTH—AN UPDATE PLEASE KEEP ST FRANCIS IN YOUR PRAYERS. ST FRANCIS PRAY FOR US.

BULKINGTON 100 CLUB (DECEMBER) 1st 25, 2nd 05, 3rd 88. Next Draw is in January. Numbers are available if you would like to join at £2.00 per month. 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 to everyone for supporting the 100 Club.**

MISSIO RED BOXES The total collected from the red boxes and direct donations to Missio for the year is £1477.68 plus £110.76 in gift aid. The direct donations may increase because some donations may not have been advised to the local secretary. This total is a great result considering the effect the covid-19 has had in preventing close contact. Many thanks to promoters; Mesdames Andrews, Beddows, Fletcher, Langham, Lennon, Liddle, Waddoups and Waring, and Messieurs Alexander, Neale and Ryan for all their hard work and to individual boxholders whose contributions have made this total possible.

A Happy new year to you all and Many Blessing for 2021. Let us hope that it is a better year where we will be free of this dreadful COVID 19 once we have all had the vaccine. Keep this in your prayers. Thank you to all of you for your Christmas cards, gifts, good wishes and Christmas offerings to us this year. We really appreciate your generosity and kindness.

**Do keep safe and Well, With our best wishes,
Fr Michael, Fr Mathew and the Sisters.**

PRAYER TO MARY DURING THE CORONAVIRUS PANADEMIC

O Mary, you shine continuously along our journey as a sign of salvation and hope.

We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the Cross were near to the pain of Jesus, keeping your faith firm.

You, Salvation of the Roman people, know what we need, and we trust that you will provide for those needs so that, as at Cana of Galilee, joy and celebration may return after this moment of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the will of the Father and to do what Jesus tells us, He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and took up our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.

We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our pleas – we who are put to the test – and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

Pope Francis



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Mary Mother of Jesus
Help us to reflect on you through this difficult time
We will listen to you as we do in church lead us through this
month safely
Help us all to see our way though help the people who are
suffering greatly
Please keep us all together, please help us find strength and
understanding
Mary Mother of Jesus we Pray to you
Amen

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