

# St Francis of Assisi, Baddesley Clinton

[Archdiocese of Birmingham: Registered Charity No. 234216]

Fr John Sharp

[www.sfachurch.co.uk](http://www.sfachurch.co.uk)

01564 782498

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

2<sup>nd</sup> July 2017

## PARISH LITURGY – MASS TIMES and INTENTIONS

Saturday	6.00 pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	9.30 am	Celebrant's Intentions

Monday [St Thomas, apostle]

9.00 am Mr and Mrs Connelly

Tuesday [Feria]

9.00 am Patrick Quinn

Wednesday [Feria]

9.00 am Welfare of Peter McCarthy

Thursday [Feria]

9.00 am Fr Tom Rock

Friday [Feria]

9.00 am Intentions of Kevin McCarthy

Saturday [Feria (of Our Lady)]

9.00 am Richard Sawko

Confessions: Saturday, 4.30-5.00 pm

-----  
Please pray for the sick in our parish and for those who have died: **Benjamin Joseph Palmer; Stella Ida Harriman; Julie Kennett; Bernard Onions** (anniversaries).  
-----

*Last Week's Collection: £383.12. Second Collection: £164.77. Thank you.*

-----  
**REBOOT**, at which Chris Stefanick, an American speaker and author, will be leading an evening billed as 'a life-changing event', with music provided by the Mercy Tour, will be at St Catherine of Siena, Bristol Street, Birmingham, on Monday, 17<sup>th</sup> July between 6.30 and 9.00 pm. See the poster in the church porch for details, including how to purchase tickets. You may have seen Chris Stefanick on YouTube; he is an excellent and inspirational speaker, who presents the Catholic faith in an engaging and totally orthodox manner.  
-----

*Next Sunday is Sea Sunday, when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. There will be a second collection at both the Sunday Masses for the **Apostleship of the Sea**, the official maritime*

*agency of the Catholic Church, which provides practical and spiritual support to seafarers visiting our ports. If you would like to gift aid your contribution, there are some envelopes at the back of church.*

---

God did not make the first man because he needed company, but because he wanted someone to whom he could show his generosity and love.

God did not tell us to follow him because he needed our help but because he knew that serving him would make us whole.

Our work for God – our service – adds nothing to his power or his achievements. He does not *need* anything we can give him, not even our obedience.

But that does not mean that our work and service for him is meaningless or without value.

God has promised to those who serve and follow him life, immortality and eternal glory.

These rewards are specifically for servants who actually *serve*, and followers who actually *follow*. Their service and their following please him and enrich them, but God himself derives no other advantage from them, because he is complete in himself and lacks nothing.

---

St Irenaeus of Lyons (c.130-c.202 A.D.)