

St Francis of Assisi, Baddesley Clinton

[Archdiocese of Birmingham: Registered Charity No. 234216]

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Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)

5th August 2018

PARISH LITURGY – MASS TIMES and INTENTIONS

Saturday	6.00 pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	9.30 am	Private Intention

Monday [Transfiguration of the Lord]

9.00 am Private Intention

Tuesday [Feria]

9.00 am Private Intention

Wednesday [St Dominic, priest]

9.00 am Private Intention

Thursday [St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, martyr, patron of Europe]

9.00 am Private Intention

Friday [St Lawrence, deacon, martyr]

9.00 am Private Intention

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at the end of Mass until 10.00 am

Saturday [St Clare, virgin]

9.00 am Private Intention

Confessions: Saturday, 4.30-5.00 pm

Please pray for the sick in our parish and for those who have died: **Nellie Concannon; Sr Elizabeth; Agnes Newham** (anniversaries)

Last Week's Collection: £,240.06. Thank you.

Missio, which runs the red missionary box scheme, is looking to recruit a local secretary, ensuring that the boxes are emptied in the parish on a regular basis and that the free quarterly magazine, 'Mission Today', is distributed. There is to be a training day on 1st September at the Church of the Holy Name, Great Barr, Birmingham, for new volunteers. It is not an onerous task, and if you feel that you would like to volunteer as our local secretary, please speak to Fr Sharp.

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Archbishop Longley has commissioned a review of the current safeguarding/child protection practices in the diocese in the light of the National Catholic Policies and Procedures. This review is being conducted by an independent charity called SCIE (Social Care Institute for Excellence). As part of the review, SCIE would like to speak with any individuals who have had experience with safeguarding issues within the Archdiocese, and have experience of working with our parish safeguarding representatives and the safeguarding team at the Archdiocese. Anyone who is impacted by abuse issues can contact the safeguarding team on 0121 230 6240 (emergency out of hours 07976 516629). If you are able to contribute to this important review and share your experiences with SCIE, then contact Hugh Constant (Hugh.Constant@scie.org.uk or 020 7766 7374 or 07872 602207).

The present church of St Francis was built in 1870 and opened on the feast of the saint, 4th October. It replaced an earlier church on the same site. This means that in 2020 the church building will be 150 years old. To celebrate this, it is hoped to re-decorate the church and to restore some of the decoration that was removed in the 1960s. A decorative scheme is being worked on and it is hoped that it will be available by the spring of next year. At the same time, we need to decide if we wish to mark the sesquicentennial in other ways – a parish dinner or lunch, a novena of prayer before the actual date, a parish mission, a pilgrimage to Assisi, or something else. We need to start making plans now, so if you can think of anything, please make known your ideas.
