

FROM THE ARCHBISHOP

Anyone who is impacted by abuse issues can contact the safeguarding team on 0121 230 6240 (emergency out of hours 07976 516629).

URGENT

After eight years of wonderfully committed service, our Parish Centre Bookings Secretary is having to step down as a result of impending hospital care. I am deeply indebted to Jeanette Jackson for all the hard work she has given in this position. Without her we would be unable to use the Centre for bookings from the parish and elsewhere. **Are you the person to take over from her?** We certainly need someone and within the next month.

Jeanette will be delighted to offer a hand-over. Please let me know if you are able to help.

DISASTER

I am writing this on my return from a visit to a friend. On Thursday afternoon, arriving home, I discovered that the plaster ceiling in my study/office had crashed to the ground. The mess was unbelievable! Over the next week or so I will need some help in the house as work is done to replace the ceiling and redecorate. Please let me know if you would be willing to assist. Some heavy lifting will be needed! I am completing the bulletin on the parish computer which took a direct hit but so far is functioning.

COLLECTION FOR FATHER HUDSON'S CARE 22/23 SEPTEMBER

Father Hudson's Care is reliant on the support of parish priests and Catholic parishioners in the Archdiocese of Birmingham.

On this Sunday, the second collection will be for Father Hudson's Care.

Father Hudson's mission is to provide Catholic social care in the Archdiocese of Birmingham, reaching out to support vulnerable people young and old. Please give generously to this worthy cause. Gift Aid envelopes are available.

As well as giving through the Church, parishioners can support Father Hudson's by donating online at www.fatherhudsons.org.uk.

WELCOME

We welcome into the family of the Church, **PETER JOSEPH HAWKSWOOD**, following his baptism at St Austin's Church last Sunday

We pray for him, for his parents, family members and Godparents.

GRAND RAFFLE

Tickets are now available after Mass. Every family is invited to take at least one book to buy or sell. The raffle is part of the annual fundraising event for our nominated Church Charities so the draw will take place at the **Autumn Fair on 13 October**.

PUDDINGS ETC

Don't forget that SALVE will be holding a **Produce and Pudding Sale** after **5.30pm Mass at St. Francis this Saturday**. **There may be items for sale at other masses.**

Garden produce and a selection of homemade pies, crumbles and cakes will be for sale with proceeds going to **Warwickshire Young Carers**.

ART EXHIBITION AND SALE

Gillie Carrington will be selling her work of paintings and sculptures to assist the plight of Syrian Refugees now living in Jordan. These will also be available on **22 Sept 9.30am – 5.30pm and 23 Sept 9am – 4pm**.

All are welcome to come to enjoy the exhibition and to make purchases.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Do you have foreign notes and coins left over from your holiday? We can put these to good use! **We'll be collecting after Masses this Sunday.**

SALVE

There will be a SALVE meeting on **Tuesday 25 September at 10.15am** in the Parish Centre. New members welcome. Contact F Chapman 858 105.

SALVE NEWS

Following their AGM Salve members would like to thank the many members of the parish who have supported them in the last twelve months. You have enabled us to raise over £2000 for a variety of charities including The Teenage Cancer Trust, Coventry Haven, The Coventry Catholic fellowship, Warwickshire Young Carers, The Missionaries of Charity, Leamington Night Shelter, Let the Children Live and the parish of Funsu in Ghana. We really appreciate your support in all our activities and new members of the group are always welcome. Contact is F. Chapman 858 105

JAM

Sister Felicity wishes to thank parishioners most sincerely for their wonderful response to the sale of her home made jam organised by Caroline Lebeter. **The final total was £587.30**. Sister sends her prayers and good wishes.

ADVANCE NOTICE - AUTUMN FAIR

This will take place on **Sat. 13 Oct 10.30am - 1.30pm and Sun. 14 Oct 10.30am - 12.45pm**. This is our annual major fund- raising event for our three new parish charities and also a great opportunity to enjoy a morning with family and friends. We would welcome new ideas, particularly for children, and help setting up, running a stall on either day or clearing away. Contacts are A. Cowley 864568 or V. Childs 859 797.

APF BOXES

Please bring your APF Red Boxes to St Francis for emptying.

Your box must carry your name and address – there should be a label underneath. If not please place a slip with your details inside the box so it can be returned to you after emptying. If you are not able to bring your box to St Francis, please call Jonathan Shipton on 01926 714825 to arrange collection. Many thanks for your donations.

'PASTIMES'

Old and New members will be welcome on **Mondays from 2.00pm-4.00pm** for a fun afternoon in the Parish Centre, with Crafts, Scrabble etc. tea and biscuits. Subscription is 40p.

ST FRANCIS' PARENTS' AND TODDLERS' GROUPS

The **Monday** group meets at the Parish Centre from 10 – 11.15am.

There is also a **Wednesday** group at Crackley Hall from 10 – 11.30am.

FOOD BANK ROTA Please check whether you are transporting food this week.

OFFERTORY COUNTERS

This Sun: M Swinburne, D Spillane, J Rice, R Palmi

Next Sun: P Whiting, M Harrington

CHURCH CLEANING

St Francis': S Allinson, G Chapman, A Kelly

St Augustine's: J O'Carroll-Bailey, V Childs

GOD BLESS YOU AND GOOD WISHES TO YOU ALL, Father Kevin.