



### CORPUS ET SANGUIS CHRISTI

**THE SOLEMNITY OF THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST** this year, following the recent changes, will be celebrated on this **Sunday, 23 June**.

On this day, when we celebrate the gift to us of the Blessed Sacrament in the Sacrifice of the Mass, we renew our devotion to our Lord in the Holy Eucharist.

### MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF ST COLUMBAN

We give a warm welcome to **Father Pat O'Beirne SSC**, a missionary priest of the Society of St Columban. **He will be preaching a missionary appeal over the masses this Sunday.** You will be aware that the Society has a house at Widney Manor locally and the work of Father Pat Sayles SSC and the Prayer Trust is greatly appreciated. Please give a warm welcome to Father Pat as he gives us a 'taste' of the missionary life and asks for our prayers and financial support.

### FRIENDS OF THE HOLY LAND

Don't forget that it will be the Friends of the Holy Land tea on Sunday afternoon from 3.00pm. If you have purchased a ticket, please remember to come.

Please ensure that all draw tickets are handed in.

### SOLEMNITY OF ST PETER AND ST PAUL, APOSTLES (TRANSFERRED)

Next **Sunday, 30 June** we shall keep the **Holy Day of Obligation and Solemnity of the Apostles, Peter and Paul** as we celebrate our spiritual links with our Holy Father, Pope Francis and the life of the Church in Rome. **Masses will be celebrated as usual for a Sunday. 'Peter's Pence' Second Collection will be on this Sunday.**

### CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OUR FIRST COMMUNICANTS

We have recently welcomed the young people from Crackley Hall School and St Augustine's School and our parish group, for their First Holy Communion celebrations. On behalf of the parish, sincere thanks go to all who have supported them on their journey of faith. In particular we thank Head teachers, Mrs Ritchie and Mr Duigan. Mrs Best, Mrs Jackson-Mayne, Mrs Simmonds, Mrs Barr and Mrs Adams have instructed the children, we thank them and all staff members from both schools. They have all done so much to prepare and encourage the children. Thanks to all parents and family members for their support as well. Please look at the displays and keep in your prayers, all the young people who have celebrated this sacrament.

### HENRY (HARRY) RAE RIP

Harry and Margaret Rae have been part of our parish for over 50 years. They, with their three children, were regulars at mass at St Austin's Church. More recently they have been Vigil Mass goers at St Francis' Church. Harry worked at Chrysler at Ryton and he and Margaret have been blessed with twenty-five years of retirement. Sadly, Harry died on 12 June. His body will be received into St Austin's Church on Tuesday 25 June at 5.00pm for a **Requiem Mass the next day 26 June at 12.30pm**. We offer our love and sympathy to the family. May he rest in peace.

### ASSISI PILGRIMAGE 2019

All who were part of the pilgrimage to Assisi in May are invited to Mass and a reception on **Friday 5 July**. Mass will be at 7.30pm and then a time in the Parish Centre with refreshments. It is hoped that we may have a display of photographs as well as sharing thoughts and experiences following our time together. T. Walmesley is organising the photographs; more details later.

### MEMORIAL MASS FOR FR. FABIAN RADCLIFFE

A Memorial Mass for Fabian has been organised for **Saturday 13 July at the 5.00 pm vigil Mass at St. Peter's Church, Leamington Spa** with a 'get together' in the Parish centre next door afterwards. Fr. Nick Austin will be the celebrant.

### SEA SUNDAY: SUNDAY 14 JULY

Although in Kenilworth we are as far from the sea as it is possible to be in this country; at this time each year we are reminded of our dependence on the sea and sea transport, for so much (about 95%) that we enjoy in our daily lives. We are also encouraged to support the Apostleship of the Sea in its outreach to seafarers.

**There will be a second collection at all masses on 14 July; please be generous.**

### TWENTY FIVE YEARS ON.....

Twenty five years ago, shortly after St. Francis church was built, the 9:30 Mass was broadcast on a Sunday morning TV show hosted by Gloria Hunniford.

To allow anyone who is interested to re-live this event, a DVD of the mass and other relevant extracts of the programme, lasting about an hour, will be shown during coffee **after the 9:30 Mass on Sunday 14 July.**

### L.E.D LIGHTING AT ST FRANCIS' CHURCH

This is to let you all know that the church lighting is to be replaced during the week beginning **Sunday, 14 July**. On **Monday 15 July, the mass will be at St Francis' Church as normal at 9.30am** and then throughout the week, the church will not be available for worship or prayer. Instead, **all masses will be at St Austin's.**

**More details will be available nearer the time, but please note this now.**

### NEW ALTAR SERVERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!

Anyone who has made his or her first communion and can make a commitment to serving at Sunday Mass is welcome to become a server. Please see the clergy.

### PASTIMES

Meetings are on Mondays 2 – 4pm in the Parish Centre, with (knitting Craft Corner, needlework etc), Bridge, Whist, Scrabble etc. and refreshments Subscription is 40p.

### ST FRANCIS' PARENTS' AND TODDLERS' GROUPS – TERM TIME ONLY

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.

Volunteers are required to transport food bank donations from St Francis to food bank centres in Kenilworth and so if you can help please contact A. Kelly on 854 392.

### OFFERTORY COUNTERS

This Sun: T Walmesley, P and K Alexander

Next Sun: P Rand, P Ryan

### CHURCH CLEANING

St Francis': E Head, L Hnat, B Stokes

St Austin's: E and M Butler

**EVERY BLESSING AND GOOD WISHES TO YOU ALL, Father Kevin.**