

NOVEMBER: MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

As usual, there will be a box at the altar in St Francis' church for you to include names to be remembered at a weekly Mass during the month of the Holy Souls.

THIS SUNDAY: SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING

Sunday 24 November is the Solemnity of Christ the King and Youth Sunday. It is also the time for us to highlight the importance of young people in the Church in a number of ways, in the liturgy, in youth ministry, our own prayers. At the same time, it is an opportunity to help the **Diocesan Kenelm Youth Service by giving financial support through the second collection.**

If you want to know more about the work of BCYS then visit www.bcys.co.uk.

Please be as generous as you can in supporting this ministry.

Annual Reports are available to take home from both churches.

Copies of the Advent 'Walk with me' are available at no cost in each church.

At the **9.30 am Mass today** we shall have the joy of celebrating the Baptism and Confirmation of **Mrs Lorraine McCoy**. Please keep Lorraine in your prayers.

A CHRISTMAS GIFT IDEA FROM SVP

Please return any forms and money after Masses today to the SVP member at the back of church.

SALVE

The next Meeting is at the Parish Centre on **Tuesday 26 November** commencing at 10.15 am, when we will finalise our arrangements for the Advent Lunch on the 1st December and discuss other items on the Agenda. Please note our Mass for SALVE Charities will be celebrated at the 9.30am Mass on **Monday 25 November instead** of at the usual 12.00 Mass after our Meeting.

NEXT SUNDAY

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT begins the new year of worship and prayer in the Catholic Church. **The Sunday readings will be from Year A, the year of St Matthew.** The weekday cycle in Ordinary Time will be from year two.

HHH CHARITY

There will be a **retiring collection** after all masses over **Sunday 30 Nov / 1 Dec** as a Christmas help for the beneficiaries of this charity.

ADVENT LUNCH

The Advent Lunch will take place on **Sunday, 1 December**, at 1.00pm in the Parish Centre. This will be a two-course lunch followed by tea/coffee and you are invited to bring a drink of your choice. Tickets are £5 each and will be on sale after Mass from next weekend and we suggest you purchase or reserve these as soon as possible as the number of places is limited. The proceeds will be for S.A.L.V.E. Christmas Charities.
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CHURCHES TOGETHER IN KENILWORTH ETC. ADVENT SERVICE

St Nicholas' Church, High Street, will be hosting the **Advent Service on Sunday 1 December 6.30pm** with Advent Hymns, Readings & prayers. All are welcome.

PRE-ELECTION HUSTINGS

This is to confirm that the date has been finalised for the Hustings event under the auspices of Churches Together in Kenilworth & District. It will be held at St John's Church, Warwick Road on **Friday 6 December between 7:30pm and 9:30pm**. All questions should be submitted beforehand on the form at www.lovekenilworth.org.uk

ANNUAL 'POOR PARISHES' COLLECTION

There will be a second collection for the poor parishes of the Archdiocese on **Sunday 7 / 8 December**. We are materially blessed in so many ways here in Kenilworth. This collection helps us to support parishes who struggle financially.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

There will be a **retiring** collection after all Masses on **Sunday, 14 / 15 December** for the decoration of both Churches with flowers over the Christmas Festival.

FLOWER ARRANGERS Volunteers are needed for both churches contact J Jarvis 01926 858 003 and Y Shillington 01926 511 963.

SCOUT CHRISTMAS CARD DELIVERY SERVICE

The 4th Kenilworth Scout Group is again running a Christmas card delivery service **within Kenilworth**. Post at our stall in Talisman Square on 30 November, 7 and 14 December. Collection points also at Atkinson Stilgoe Estate Agents - Warwick Road, Head First Hairdressers - Common Lane, GDT Automobiles - Caesar Road, Steve Crowe Butchers - Whitemoor Road, Mike Vaughan Cycles - High Street & Leyes Lane Pharmacy - Leyes Lane. Delivery from 15 December. Only 25p per card!

PARISH CENSUS

Thank you for all who have returned their Census forms. Could remaining forms (about 20%) please be completed and returned as soon as possible?

The voting-type boxes will remain at the back of the church for the next few weeks.

CHURCH CLEANING

Cleaners, male and female are required on a Thursday for approx one hour and a quarter, once every six weeks, working in a group of three; also on Saturdays to cover holidays and illness. **Contact is J. Roberts 855 903. Please respond!**

PIETY STALL AT ST FRANCIS' CHURCH

Various items for Advent and Christmas are available. Come and view the Advent Calendars, Christmas cards and 2020 diaries. Your support is invited so have a look!

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.

OFFERTORY COUNTERS

This Sun: P Rand, P Ryan, B and C Roberts

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

CHURCH CLEANING

St Francis': R Richardson, A Smyth, T Wilding

St Austin's: S Haley, M Palmi

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