

# St Francis of Assisi, Baddesley Clinton

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Third Sunday of Easter (A)

26<sup>th</sup> April 2020

We continue to rejoice in this Eastertide and commend to our merciful God all in need of prayer and consolation in this time of pandemic, knowing that abundant blessings flow from Him to those who are open to receive them.

Please keep in touch, either by telephone (above) or email ([sfa.bc@outlook.com](mailto:sfa.bc@outlook.com)) and remember to pray for one another.

## PARISH LITURGY – MASS TIMES and INTENTIONS

### Third Sunday of Easter

9.30 am People of the Parish

### Monday [Easter Feria]

9.00 am Welfare of James Bradford

### Tuesday [Easter Feria]

9.00 am Private Intention

### Wednesday [St Catherine of Siena, virgin, doctor of the Church, patron of Europe]

9.00 am Intentions of Stephen McCarthy

### Thursday [St Pius V, pope]

9.00 am Private Intention

### Friday [St Joseph the Worker]

9.00 am Private Intention

### Saturday [St Athanasius, bishop, doctor of the Church]

9.00 am Private Intention

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Please pray for the sick in our parish and those who have died: **Mary Kate O'Hara; Sr M. Veronica; William Barton; Alan John Edwards; Agnes Elizabeth Loftus; Gladys Clayton; Ambrose McStraw; Gilbert Leo Evans; Daniel Gibson; Sr M. Agnes** (anniversaries).

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*May is a month of special devotion to our Blessed Lady. You might like to recite this prayer, the oldest known prayer to Mary, which will be said at the end of every Mass during the month:-*

We fly to thy patronage, O holy Mother of God. Despise not our prayers in our necessities but deliver us from all dangers, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

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O eternal Truth, what is your teaching, and what is the way by which you want us to go to the Father, the way by which we must go? I know of no other road but the one paved with the true and solid virtues of your charity's fire. You, eternal Word, cemented it with your blood, so this must be the road.

Our sin lies in nothing else but in loving what you hate and hating what you love. I confess, eternal God, that I have constantly loved what you hate and hated what you love. But today I cry out in the presence of your mercy: grant that I may follow your truth with a simple heart; give me the deep well and fire of charity; give me a continual hunger to endure pains and torments for you. Eternal Father, give my eyes a fountain of tears with which to draw your mercy down over all the world and especially over your bride.

St Catherine of Siena (1347-1380)