

Weekday Mass Times and Intentions
St Francis – Public Masses are in bold

Week beginning 20th December

Mon 10.00am C of E 50th Ord. Anniv Rev John Smith (Brenda and Geoff Symes)
 Tue **6.00pm** Win Kelly (Second Anniv) (Mary and Graham Hunter and family)
 Wed 10.00am Joanna Bazen (Talbot family)
 Thu **CHRISTMAS EVE**
10.00am (Morning) Mike Parnell (11th Anniv) (Diana and family)
5.30pm (Vigil) John Bosco Lilley (Mary and family)
7.30pm (Night) People of the Parish

Fri **CHRISTMAS DAY**

8.00am (Dawn) Alison Rand (Talbot family and Eileen Harkin)
9.30am (Dawn) Joanna Bazen (Margaret Molloy and family)
11.15am (Day) Kathleen Hermolle & Eileen Crean (M Beaumont & L Morris)

Sat **11.00am** Intentions of Parish Altar Servers

Week beginning 27th December

Mon **10.00am** Eddie McKay (Birthday Anniv) (Cathy and family)
 Tue **10.00am** Theresa Watson (Anniv) (Moyra Butterworth and family)
 Wed **10.00am** Wellbeing of Kirsty Bond (Veronica Cutler and family)
 Thu **10.00am** Teresa, Roy and Gavin Storr (Anniv's) (Carrick family)
 Fri **11.00am** Violet O' Connor (Anniv) (Cathy McKay and family)
 Sat 10.00am Int's of Father Christopher Fitzpatrick (Father Kevin)

St Augustine's Church is at present closed

Sacrament of Reconciliation: See details on the Christmas Leaflets

Collections recently:

20 December: **£566-67** Standing Orders: £500 approx.

'Sea Sunday' Collection **£431-69** Thank you all for your kind generosity

This Parish is part of the RC Archdiocese of Birmingham Reg. Charity No.234216

Please pray for those who are sick:

Those who have died recently:

The Catholic Parish of Kenilworth

Served by the Churches of St Francis & St Augustine

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Notices for week commencing

Sunday 20th December 2020

**Fourth Sunday of Advent, (B) Psalter Wk 4 and
 Sunday 27th December 2020 (Holy Family) (B)**

Sunday Public Mass Times and Intentions

St Francis

Sat 5.30pm_ Wieslawa Zurawska (Anniv) (Jan)
Sun 8.00am Jim and Della Bowen (Anniv's) (Georgie Larsen- Archer)
 9.30am Maria Adams (Anniv) (Teresa, Chris and family)
 11.15am Bernard Canneaux (Anniv) (Felicity Chapman and family)

Next Sunday Public Mass Times (Holy Family)

St Francis

Sat 5.30pm_ Joanna Bazen (Jill and Jim Barr)
Sun 8.00am Bryan and Mary Hardingham(Anniv's) (Moyra Butterworth)
 9.30am People of the Parish
 11.15am In thanksgiving: Fortieth Wedding Anniversary of
 Liz and Eric Kirwan

The Bulletin for this weekend will be a two-week edition taking us into 2021.

There will be no new edition for next week, just a revision of this one.

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).

If you would like to speak to someone independent of the Church you can contact the NSPCC on 0808 800 5000.

CHRISTMAS 2020

Thank you to all who have worked so hard over the Advent and Christmas periods. I am grateful to Gail Buswell for cleaning our Church and the seven ladies who have decorated it so beautifully with flowers. We have had a new Christmas tree donated and decorated and the crib has been placed in the sanctuary. Thank you to the donors and decorators.

The masses were, in the circumstances, well-attended and devotional. I wish to thank our parish musicians, altar servers, wardens and all who read at Mass and organised and helped in any way. Special appreciation goes to all those, and you know who you are, who worked 'behind the scenes'. In particular this year I wish to thank our PPC Chairman, Robert Hodges, the Council Members, our Health and Safety Officer, Simon Hill, and the Stewards who have worked with them, for enabling us to pray and worship together. I am also very grateful to Joseph and Jane McDonnell, to Tony Stokes and the Finance Committee for keeping our financial wheels turning.

We shall hear a Pastoral Letter from the Archbishop on Sunday.

STOP PRESS: CHRISTMAS MASS ATTENDANCE WAS 421 PEOPLE

Feast days at this time:

25th Dec Christmas Day

26th Dec St Stephen

27th Dec The Holy Family

28th Dec The Holy Innocents

29th Dec St Thomas of Canterbury

1st Jan. Solemnity of Our Lady

2nd Jan St Basil & St Gregory

THANKS TO YOU ALL...

As well as the note of thanks above, thanks are also expressed to the organisers of the 'Giving Tree' / SVP appeal, and to you all for the support you have all given to this annual initiative.

I am grateful to St Augustine's and Crackley Hall schools for all they have done for Food banks and other needy causes for Christmas.

Furthermore, I wish to express my own thanks for the kindness and great generosity shown in the Christmas offering and in the personal cards and gifts I have received. Despite the request for no presents, I am very touched by all your support and goodness.

Father David, who was able to join us for Mass, joins me in thanking all parishioners who also showed him such kindness at Christmas.

CRIB DONATIONS

Crib donations this year will be again sent to **LET THE CHILDREN LIVE!**

This is to assist Father Peter Walters in his work with the street children in Colombia.

MASSES FOR SUNDAY: 2 / 3 JANUARY 2021

Sunday Mass times on that day will be:

2 January 5.30pm St Francis' Josef and Czeslawa Adamczyk (Anniv's) (Elizabeth Hughes and family)

3 January 8.00am St Francis' Pauline Sage (Austin and family)
9.30am St Francis' In Thanksgiving (Joan and Pat Ryan)
11.15am St. Francis' Health of Michael Jones (Family)

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

We celebrate the Holy Day of the Epiphany of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ on 6 January 2021. As we then see the Magi or Wise Men at the manger we are reminded that people of every race and nation may find their true home and destiny in the presence of the Lord. Please pray for greater harmony and understanding throughout the world, for better race relations and above all, for peace.

The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, on Sunday, 10 January, will bring the season of Christmas to its conclusion that evening – **the last Sunday for Crib Collection.**

2021 DIRECTORY

The 2021 Diocesan Directory is available at **only £4.00 each** – an excellent source of information about the Archdiocese.

Please contact the Stewards or Father Kevin to purchase a copy.

A CHRISTMAS GIFT FOR BABIES IN THE SUDAN (SVP) -UPDATE

The final total is £2,040!

Thank you all, this is a truly wonderful amount and will go to famine areas in Sudan.

MISSIO 'RED BOX' COLLECTION

About £550 has been raised this year, thank you all. Please wait until another request comes in 2021. Many thanks go to Jonathan Shipton for all his hard work for Missio.

SVP FOODBANK AND PARISH GIVING TREE COLLECTIONS:

The recent collections for the local food banks and for the parish giving tree were very well supported. We would like to express our sincere thanks to all parishioners who donated so generously – your food items and gifts will help to bring a smile to many faces this Christmas, THANK YOU.

ANNUAL PRO-LIFE CHARITY COLLECTION

I believe that the collection in 2021 will take place at **all masses over 6 / 7 February.** I commend to you all this collection for such an important work locally based and working nationally.

MAY GOD BLESS YOU ALL AT CHRISTMAS, FATHER KEVIN