

Weekday Mass Times and Intentions

St Francis

Mon	10.00am	Canon Owen O'Neill - on the day of his Requiem (Father Kevin)
Tue	PUBLIC MASS	
	10.00am	In thanksgiving to Mary Mother of Good Health for the 30 th Birthday Anniv of Archona Arokia Zita (Carol Naveen)
Wed	10.00am	Richard O'Connor (Margaret, Nora and Carmel)
Thu	PUBLIC MASS	
	7.30pm	Freda (5 th Anniv) and Jack Barnes (Janet, Peter and Anne)
Fri	10.00am	Roy Titcomb (Parish)
Sat	10.00am	People of the Parish

St Augustine's Church is at present closed

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 4.45 – 5.15 pm or by private appointment

Feast days this week:

Thursday 29 April Feast of St Catherine of Siena, Virgin, Doctor of the Church and Patron of Europe

Saturday 1 May St Joseph the Worker

Collections recently:

18 April: £627-40 Standing Orders: **£500 approx.**
Thank you all very much 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

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Notices for week commencing

Sunday 25 April 2021

The Fourth Sunday of Easter Year B 'Vocations' 'Year of St Joseph' Psalter: Week 4

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Sat	5.30pm	Ron Williams (Jill and Jim Barr)
Sun	8.00am	In thanksgiving: 30 th Wedding Anniversary (Michael and Sarah Swinburne)
	9.30am	In thanksgiving: 25 th Wedding Anniversary (Catalino and Tess Bernal)
	11.15am	Alexander Chapman (B'day Anniv) (Mum and Dad)

Next Sunday

Sat	5.30pm	Dr Margaret McGrath (Teresa Hartshorn and family)
Sun	8.00am	Jane McKay (5 th Anniv) (Cathy and family)
	9.30am	Pam Heraty (Father Kevin)
	11.15am	Princess Anne Olubumi Taylor (12 th Anniv) (Anthony and family)

THIS SUNDAY IS THE WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS AND CLERGY TRAINING FUND COLLECTION

This Sunday, 25 April is Good Shepherd or Vocations Sunday, when we pray for a deeper sense of our personal vocation and for Vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate and Consecrated Life in Religious Community. We pray for the Seminaries at Oscott, Rome, Valladolid and elsewhere. Prayer cards etc. are available at the exit doors.

There will be the annual collection for the training of Priests and Deacons.

If you wish to, you could instead send your donation to:

The Clergy Training Fund, Oscott College, Chester Road, Sutton Coldfield, West Midlands, B73 5AA Thank you for your support and kindness in this matter.

FROM THE FRIENDS OF THE HOLY LAND

‘Thank you for raising **£3,550** for Christians in the Holy Land from the Charitable Giving last year. In 2020 we helped 182 children across 14 schools and 48 university students. In 2021 we expect that number to increase sharply as the pandemic continues to hit hard. Please continue to remember FHL and those we support in your prayers, your help is much appreciated.’

Our 2021 Pentecost Challenge is launched, with a focus on helping Christian families keep their children in Christian schools. Please support our Appeal by visiting our website www.friendsoftheholylan.org.uk/pentecost or sending a donation to FHL, Farmer Ward Road, Kenilworth CV8 2DH. You can register to join an 84 mile virtual pilgrimage between Bethlehem and Nazareth, using your daily exercise. How about obtaining sponsorship from friends or family or looking on the website for parishioners you know to support those already walking, running or cycling! For those with children/grandchildren at local schools, why not encourage them to set up a team! For more information, email office at office@friendsoftheholylan.org.uk or telephone 01926 512980. Thank you.

PARISH MEETINGS (ON ZOOM)

The next Parish Pastoral Council Meeting is on **Monday 26 April at 7.30pm.**

Contact is David Spillane davidspillane@hotmail.co.uk

GOOD NEWS! - 'STAY AND PLAY' HAS REOPENED

The first session was last Wednesday from 9.30 a.m. to 10.45am (new start time) at St Francis' Parish Centre.

Booking a place is required via email at staynplay@littlecrackers.co.uk or by calling 01926 514410. These sessions will be run on **Monday and Wednesday mornings.**

PRAYER TO USE DURING THE YEAR OF ST JOSEPH

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary! To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us also, show yourself a father and guide us on the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage, and defend us from every evil, Amen.

SVP FOODBANK COLLECTION

Members of SVP recently held another collection for a local Foodbank, and once again, parishioners were very generous in their response. We would like to send our sincere thanks to all who donated, and to assure you of the gratitude of the staff at the Foodbank itself, THANK YOU!

CHRISTIAN AID SERVICE AT ST FRANCIS' CHURCH

This will begin at 6.30 pm on Sunday 9 May at St Francis' Church. I hope parishioners will feel able to attend, as all are welcome at this service.

It is arranged by Churches Together in Kenilworth and the local Christian Aid Group. We shall be hosting people from other Christian communities in the town and district. This will be the first ecumenical service meeting in person for some time.

I understand it will also be live-streamed.

ASCENSION DAY

On Thursday, 13 May we shall celebrate the Ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ. Traditionally observed forty days after Easter, in our country this Solemnity of Our Lord has recently been **restored to its proper date.**

Our celebration reminds us of the conclusion of our Lord's earthly ministry and the hope of heaven which is given to us all.

I hope that Mass will be celebrated at **St Francis' Church at 10.00 am and 7.30 pm.**

FOLLOWED BY WORLD COMMUNICATIONS SUNDAY

At the time of the Ascension, our Lord sent his disciples out to communicate the gospel to the nations As a result of that commission, **Sunday 16 May** will be kept as **World Communications Day.** We reflect on the many means through which Catholic Faith and life are transmitted throughout the world.

There will be a collection on this day to promote the communication of our Catholic Faith.

GIFT AID SCHEME AND ENVELOPES

Over the period remaining of the present pandemic, if you are not coming here to mass, please post your collection envelopes, or any other donations in support of the parish, through the inside letter box at the Priest's House, thank you.

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MAY OUR LORD BLESS YOU ALL DURING THESE STILL DIFFICLT AND CHALLENGING DAYS, FATHER KEVIN