

PARISH OF ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI Baddesley Clinton.

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Confession: 5.15-5.45pm Saturday at St Francis church or by arrangement

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT *Today is the First Sunday of Lent, the season when the Church prepares for Easter, the greatest of her celebrations. During the season of Lent we are encouraged to grow in the life of Christ and to deepen and strengthen our relationship with God. The Church leads and assists us in this through encouraging our participation, in an ever more intense and fruitful way, in the liturgies of the Church and in penitential celebrations. In order to aid us in our Lenten endeavours I have arranged for instruction, devotions, times for meditation and prayerful reflection (please see details below) and there will be opportunities for people to make their confession.*

Second Collection Next weekend there will be a second collection for CAFOD Lent Fast Day.

Tuesdays in Lent Stations of the Cross will be prayed after the 10.00am Masses on Tuesdays during Lent at Blessed Robert Grissold church, Balsall Common.

Wednesdays in Lent The Holy Rosary will be prayed after the 9.00am Mass on Wednesdays at St Francis church, Baddesley Clinton. The Rosary will be followed by a Lent Course.

Thursdays in Lent Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will follow the 9.00am Mass on Thursdays at St Francis church, Baddesley Clinton. Adoration will finish at 10.00am with Benediction.

Fridays in Lent Stations of the Cross will follow the 9.00am Mass on Fridays at St Francis church, Baddesley Clinton.

Adults seeking reception Adults seeking to be received into full communion with the Catholic Church should email Fr Frank by the end of February.

Altar Servers If you would like to serve at the altar please contact Fr Frank.

Parish Council Please contact Fr Frank (using the email at the top of this newsletter) if you are interested in becoming a member of the Parish Council.

Volunteers needed We require two volunteers (who are not related) each week to count and record the collection. Please contact Fr Frank if you can help. We would hope to put together a rota so that the role can be shared amongst a team. Many thanks in advance.

Masses at St Francis this week

Sat 17 Feb	6.00pm Mass – First Sunday of Lent Amy Norman (RIP)
Sun 18	11.00am Mass – First Sunday of Lent Brian Giles (RIP)
Wed 21	9.00am Mass – followed by praying the Holy Rosary and Lent Course George, Val and Glen Burgess (RIP)
Thurs 22	9.00am Mass - Feast of the Chair of St Peter <i>(followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction)</i> Patrick and Winifred Ruane (RIP)
Fri 23	9.00am Mass – followed by Stations of the Cross (Lent Fast Day) John Gemmell (RIP)
Sat 24	6.00pm Mass – Second Sunday of Lent
Sun 25	11.00am Mass – Second Sunday of Lent

