



**Catholic Parishes of Our Lady and the Apostles, Shipston & Brailes.
and St Francis of Assisi, Kineton**



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CALENDAR, MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS. *Week beginning:*

18th February 2024: 1st Sunday in Lent-Pilgrims of Hope

Saturday 17th	Brailes 10.00am Brailes 5.00pm Vigil	David Lee intentions	Adoration & Confession First Sunday in Lent
Sunday 18th	Shipston 9.15am Kineton 11.00am	Jadwiga Sabatowski Pete Warzee	
Monday 19th	Kineton 10.00am	Holy Souls	
Thursday 22nd	Shipston 10.00am	Patricia Tams	Feast of the Chair of St Peter
Friday 23rd	Brailes 10.00am	David Brooks	Cafod Family Fast Day
Saturday 24th	Brailes 5.00pm Vigil	Giblin Family	
Sunday 25th	Shipston 9.15am Kineton 11.00am	Tommie & Kathleen O Neill John Wheildon	Second Sunday of Lent

Please pray for the repose of the following whose anniversaries occur in February: Linda Gale, Barbara Spencer, Eileen Kelly, Patricia Henderson, Raymond Locke, Doreen Gateley, Rosalie Batten, Annie Gurr, Robert Tyler, John Walker, Jadwiga Sabatowski, Janet Ward, Robert Jackson, John Fahourdin, Catherine Cresry, Ann Mockler, Elsie Dillon, Fr David Condon, Robert Young Dorothy Maloney, John Wheildon. Carol Titchener May they rest in peace.

Pope's Prayer Intention for February: For the terminally ill: We pray that those with terminal illness and their families receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.

Soup Lunch for CAFOD: Today at St Francis parish room after 11.00am Mass. Also on Thursday 21st March Shipston Parish Hall.

Stations of the Cross: at **St Francis of Assisi 6.30pm Wednesdays during Lent and Shipston 6.20pm Thursdays during Lent.**

Friday is Cafod Family Fast Day. Please collect your envelopes this weekend.

Catholics Listening to God- a series of talks given by Archbishop Mark Coleridge commencing this Thursday at 7.00pm at Our Lady & St Michael's parish hall. The first talk will be on "The Word of God". I hope parishioners from both Kineton and Shipston will attend.

Ekica Fundraising: Date for diary- Saturday 16th March- Race Night- 7.30pm at the Townsend Hall. Table booking @£12 per person including a Fish & Chip Supper. Tickets online from [stourvalleylionsevents.club/race night](http://stourvalleylionsevents.club/race%20night)

It was very encouraging to see the large attendance at our Ash Wednesday Masses to begin the season of Lent. The ceremonial of Bishops states: "The faithful are to be encouraged to participate in an ever more intense and fruitful way in the Lenten liturgy and in penitential celebrations. They are to be clearly reminded that both according to the law and tradition, they should approach the Sacrament of Penance during this season, so that with purified heart they may participate in the Paschal Mysteries" Please do your very best to keep up your Lenten observances and to come along to the Lenten talks commencing on Thursday at 7.00pm. The evening will conclude with quiet prayer time before the Blessed Sacrament:

Thy Kingdom Come: "The Kingdom of God lies ahead of us. It is brought near in the Word incarnate, it is proclaimed throughout the whole Gospel, and it has come in Christ's death and Resurrection. The Kingdom of God has been coming since the Last Supper and, in the Eucharist, it is in our midst. The Kingdom will come in glory when Christ hands it over to his Father" (Catechism of the Catholic Church)

I hope you have a grace filled week. God bless. Fr David