

**PARISH OF ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI** Baddesley Clinton.

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Deanery website: <https://warwick-catholicdeanery.org.uk/>

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

**SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST**

*Today's feast turns our thoughts to the sacred mysteries of the Eucharist, and one of the peculiarities of the Eucharistic feast is that we, the Church, become the Body of Christ through our partaking of Christ's Body and the consequence of our assimilation to the Body of Christ is that, like Christ, we become spiritual food for the life of the world, to be broken, given away and consumed. The Eucharist makes the Church, by making the Church Eucharist.*

**June - the Month of the Sacred Heart** June is the month of the Sacred Heart. The Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus falls on Friday 7th June. Great benefits are promised to those who practice this devotion. Also, during this month, we can seek to deepen our devotion to the love of God revealed in the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus - a devotion encouraged by St Margaret Mary, whose relic rests in the altar at Blessed Robert Grissold church. We might even consider consecrating ourselves to the Sacred Heart of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at Saint Francis** will follow a 7.00pm Mass on Thursday this week, instead of the usual time of 9.00am. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be followed by Benediction at 8.00pm. All welcome.

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at BRG** will follow the 7.00pm Mass on Tuesdays every first Tuesday of the month. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be followed by Benediction at 8.00pm. All welcome.

**Study of John's Gospel** Fr Frank is leading a study of John's Gospel at Saint Francis after the 9.00am Mass and the Holy Rosary each Wednesday. All welcome.

**Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus** will be celebrated at the 9.00am Mass on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June at Saint Francis. All welcome.

**Ripples of Hope** As we look ahead to next year's Jubilee. CAFOD invites you to Ripples of Hope, a special day of reflection, prayer and spiritual nourishment led by well known and much loved Catholic speaker, teacher and author David Wells. The event will be held on **Saturday 8 June 2024** at The Dormer Conference Centre, St Peter Apostle Catholic Church, Leamington Spa, CV32 5AA from 11.00am – 4.00pm (a light lunch will be provided). To attend please register here: <https://cafod.org.uk/news/events/ripples-of-hope>

**Pastoral Council** A Pastoral Council is to be established at St Francis of Assisi to support Father Frank in implementing the 4 themes of the Diocesan Vision: Liturgy and Worship, Formation, Evangelisation and Social Outreach. A meeting will be arranged shortly for those who have already volunteered or anyone else who is interested in supporting this initiative.

**Pilgrimage to Rome & Assisi** on 26 October -2 November 2024. For more information contact Mgr McHugh at: [co.ordinator.ethnic.chaplaincy@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:co.ordinator.ethnic.chaplaincy@rcaob.org.uk)/07812 110640 by 20th May 2024.

**Volunteers needed** Please contact Fr Frank if you are willing to join one of the two cleaning teams at St Francis. This work provides a valuable service to the community. This would involve 1-1.5 hours every 2 months. Many thanks.

**Closing of Deanery Visitations Meeting** Canon John would like to invite you all the Closing of Deanery Visitations Meeting which will commence with Vespers at the church of the Immaculate Conception, Bicester, OX26 1UN, followed by a meeting in the St John Paul II Centre (next door to the church) on **Thursday, 27<sup>th</sup> June at 7pm**. His Grace Archbishop Bernard Longley and Episcopal Vicar Canon Paul Fitzpatrick will report on the current parish visitations taking place in our Deanery.

**Masses at St Francis this week**

Sat 2 Jun	6.00pm Mass – Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
Sun 3	11.00am Mass – Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ Denis McCarthy (RIP)
Wed 5	9.00am Mass – Memorial of St Boniface, Bishop, Martyr (followed by the Holy Rosary & the study of John's Gospel)
Thurs 6	7.00pm Mass (followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction)
Fri 7	9.00am Mass - Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
Sat 8	6.00pm Mass – Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sun 9	11.00am Mass – Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time