

**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**

**TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

*The Gospel of Christ is something so radically good and new that it can be difficult to accept - even by those who are closest to Jesus. The Gospel today tells us that Jesus' own relatives thought he was "out of his mind." And others accuse him of siding with Satan and with those who oppose God. They do not have "eyes to see" or "ears to hear" and so his message seems like foolishness or worse - like blasphemy against God - Such is their blindness and deafness to the true God who lives and speaks in Christ.*

**June - the Month of the Sacred Heart** June is the month of the Sacred Heart. 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 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.

**Second collection next week** for the Day for Life.

**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.

**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.

**New flower rota** Please find a copy of the new flower rota for July to December 2024 at the back of the Church. Thank you so much to all the volunteers. It is much appreciated.

**General Election 2024** The Prime Minister has called a general election for Thursday, 4 July. At <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/election24/> you will find information and guidance on key issues of importance to us, as Catholics, to help inform how we vote.

**SVP and CAFOD working together in the run up to the General Election** As Catholics, we know that tackling poverty and injustice are among the most important issues politicians should act on. St Vincent de Paul Society and CAFOD have produced a guide for Catholics for the General Election, with suggested questions to ask candidates. Please see [cafod.org.uk/encounter](http://cafod.org.uk/encounter) or [svp.org.uk/encounter](http://svp.org.uk/encounter) for more information.

**Masses at St Francis this week**

Sat 8 Jun 6.00pm Mass – Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Sun 9 11.00am Mass – Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wed 12 9.00am Mass  
*(followed by the Holy Rosary & the study of John's Gospel)*

Thurs 13 9.00am Mass – **Memorial of St Anthony of Padua, Priest, Doctor of the Church**  
*(followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction)*

Fri 14 9.00am Mass

Sat 15 6.00pm Mass – Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Sun 16 11.00am Mass – Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time