

**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

**TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

*St Paul, in our second reading today, tells us that, "For anyone who is in Christ, there is a new creation: the old creation has gone, and now the new one is here." St John in his Gospel puts it like this: "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of God." Those in Christ have been given the power to be children of God, because they have been re-born, created anew, born from above - born not by natural generation, nor by human choice, nor by man's decision, but of God. Such is the nature of our supernatural life in Christ - a life which is a light to the world. A life we need to nurture if we are to be effective in evangelisation and mission.*

**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.

**No weekday Masses this week** as Fr Frank will be on his annual retreat. Please see the Deanery website for other weekday Masses taking place in the area: <https://banburyandwarwick-catholicdeanery.org.uk/>

**Solemnity of the Nativity of St John the Baptist** will be celebrated at 7.00pm at BRG on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June. All Welcome.

**No Mass on Tuesday at BRG** as Fr Frank will be taking his day off in place of Monday.

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

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at Saint Francis** will follow the 9.00am Mass on Thursday each week. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be followed by Benediction at 10.00am. 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 Peter's Pence.

**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.

**Masses at St Francis this week**

Sat 22 June	6.00pm Mass – Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sun 23	11.00am Mass – Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time Ashleigh McCann & Alaa Sab (to be married in August)
Wed 26	9.00am Mass (followed by the Holy Rosary & the study of John's Gospel) Lily McDaid (RIP)
Thurs 27	9.00am Mass (followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction) Peter O'Flynn (RIP)
Fri 28	9.00am Mass – Memorial of St Irenaeus Bishop, Doctor of the Church, Martyr
Sat 29	6.00pm Mass – Solemnity of Ss Peter & Paul, Apostles
Sun 30	11.00am Mass – Solemnity of Ss Peter & Paul, Apostles Wellbeing of the Brothers and Ladies of Kenilworth Circle of Catenians