

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

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Through liturgy and worship, formation, evangelisation and social outreach the Diocesan Vision calls us to work for the renewal of the Church. The then Cardinal Ratzinger, later Pope Benedict XVI, insisted that, "The true celebration of the Sacred Liturgy is the centre of any renewal of the Church whatever." This is why the New Evangelisation must be founded on the faithful and fruitful celebration of the Sacred Liturgy as passed down and presented to us by the Church in her Tradition. This is because it is in the Sacred Liturgy, especially in the Mass - the source and summit of the Church's life, that we encounter the saving action of our Lord Jesus Christ in the most profound way. Liturgy for us in the Church is not just a series of actions or rituals but an encounter with the living Christ who alone offers perfect worship to God and who draws all people to himself through the Sacrifice of the Cross made present in the Eucharist.

Weekday Masses, Devotions and Study Group this week:

- **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at BRG** will follow the 7.00pm Mass 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 this Sunday for the Johnson Association.

November is the month of Remembrance There is still time to complete your requests for Masses to be offered for your deceased loved ones throughout the month of November and throughout this year in Masses for the Holy Souls. Envelopes are available at the back of Church.

Next Sunday is Remembrance Sunday when we will remember and pray for the war dead of the Parish.

Book plates for new Lectionaries Would all those who have made donations to offset the cost of the new Lectionaries please confirm with Fr Frank before the end of October in order that the dedicatory book plates may be allocated.

Parish Pastoral Council – volunteers needed It has been suggested at our meetings that the PPC would benefit from being more representative of the demographic of our Church community. We need people of all ages especially representation from young working families. The commitment would involve 3-4 meetings per year. Your participation in the PPC would provide Fr Frank with valuable insight into the life of the Church which would help us going forward with the implementation of the Archbishop's Diocesan Vision. If you feel you would like to explore this further please contact Fr Frank.

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Iain Butlin-Moran. They can be contacted at: butlinmoran@icloud.com or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/ safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.

Masses at St Francis this week

Sat 2 Nov

6.00pm Mass – **Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Sun 3

11.00am Mass – **Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Joseph Naughton (RIP)

Wed 6

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

Thurs 7

9.00am **Mass** (followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction)

Fri 8

9.00am **Mass**

Sat 9

6.00pm Mass – **Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Sun 10

11.00am Mass – **Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

For peace in the world