PARISH OF ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI Baddesley Clinton.

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THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Today in the Gospel we hear the story of the "Widow's Mite." The mite was the tiniest coin in circulation. In the Temple the rich were giving from their loose change, but the widow, out of her extreme poverty, gave everything she had: two small coins. Although poor and in need of the few coppers she had, she never hesitated, never counted the cost. She gave everything to God. The widow became famous, not because she gave so little but because, in her extraordinary generosity, she gave so much.

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.

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

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.

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.

Wedding of William & Sophie Please pray for William and Sophie as they prepare for their wedding next Saturday. Please also pray for their family and friends.

Bill on Assisted Suicide In early September 2024, when parliament returned and a Bill on assisted suicide – so-called assisted dying – started its passage through the House of Lords, our Lead Bishop for Life Issues, Bishop John Sherrington, called for Catholics to unite in prayer and compassionate action. That call is renewed now, urgently, as on Friday, 29 November, the House of Commons will hear the Second Reading of a bill on assisted suicide tabled by Labour MP Kim Leadbeater. This is another attempt to legalise assisted suicide and we need you to contact your MP to voice your opposition. The charity *Right to Life UK* has a simple online mechanism to do this. It takes little more than a few minutes to input your postcode, make sure the suggested text suits your viewpoint and submit your message to ask your MP to stop assisted suicide being rushed into law. To contact your MP please visit: https://righttolife.org.uk/ASthreat

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 9 Nov 6.00pm Mass – Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Billy Williams

Sun 10 11.00am Mass – Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

For peace in the world

Wed 13 9.00am Mass (followed by the Holy Rosary & the study of John's Gospel)

Holy Souls

Thurs 14 9.00am **Mass** (followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction)

Fri 15 9.00am **Mass**

Sat 16 12.00pm **Wedding** of William Davy & Sophie Taylor

6.00pm Mass – Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sun 17 11.00am Mass – Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time