

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



FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

Mary the Mother of Jesus lovingly and willingly united herself to her Son's sacrifice on the Cross, sharing in his self-giving for our salvation and redemption. That is why several Popes have called Mary Co-Redemptrix. Mary teaches us to have faith. If our faith is weak, we should turn to Mary. Jesus dying on the Cross bequeaths his mother to all mankind and especially to all his disciples.

Weekday Masses and Devotions 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.

Second Collection this Sunday for the LIFE charity. Your donations help to provide funding that enables direct housing provision for up to 90 expectant women at any one time; a free and accessible helpline (via phone, text, email, or in person) with the option of emotional support through a counselling and skilled listening service; the availability of posted pregnancy tests; and the distribution of baby supplies. Life's wrap around approach empowers all its clients to choose life for their baby. Last year over 22,000 women received assistance, which meant that they could face pregnancy or pregnancy loss with courage and dignity. Thank you for your generosity.

Road Closure from Monday 3rd February Rising Lane will be completely closed for 11 days from Netherwood lane (Baddesley Clinton Hall NT) to the canal. Parishioners from Lapworth and Hockley Heath will need to take a detour: If you travel along Chessets Wood Road (From the Punch Bowl) towards Darley Green, turn right into Chapel Lane and continue to the "T" junction. Turn right into Bakers Lane and continue to the "T" junction with the Warwick Road. Turn right and continue to Chadwick End. After passing through the village turn right into Rising Lane, St Francis of Assisi church is on the right after approximately a quarter of a mile.

An Invitation from The Birmingham Lourdes Hospitalité The Birmingham Lourdes Hospitalité warmly invites you to a special Mass celebrating the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes on Saturday 8 February, at 4:30pm, in St Chad's Cathedral, Birmingham. This celebration is a wonderful opportunity to come together in prayer, honour Our Lady, and seek her intercession for the sick and their carers. Refreshments will be served after Mass. We extend a special invitation to: All who have served in Lourdes, Schools, students, and Pilgrims planning to join our Diocesan Pilgrimage in May 2025.

Jubilee 2025 – Pilgrims of Hope To find out more about how your parish, family or school can celebrate the Jubilee Year in our Archdiocese, and how you can participate in events nationally and internationally, visit our Diocesan website: www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/jubilee-year

Parishioner Information Forms Please find Parishioner Information Forms at the back of the Church. Please complete and return in a sealed envelope to Fr Frank. These forms provide much needed information for Fr Frank so that he is able to keep in touch with any important information and learn in what ways you are able to help our Parish. Many thanks.

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 1 Feb	6.00pm Mass – Feast of the Presentation of the Lord
Sun 2	11.00am Mass - Feast of the Presentation of the Lord
Wed 5	9.00am Mass- Memorial of St Agatha, Virgin, Martyr (followed by the Holy Rosary)
Thurs 6	9.00am Mass – Memorial of St Paul Miki, and Companions, Martyrs (followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction)
Fri 7	9.00am Mass
Sat 8	6.00pm Mass – Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sun 9	11.00am Mass - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time