

Weekday Mass Times and Intentions

St Francis

Mon Lent Feria

9.30am Kathleen Jackson (3rd Anniv) (Susanne and family)
Bobby Kersey (B'day Anniv) (Kari, Ian and family)

Tue Lent Feria

12noon Kevin Shakespeare and comfort for his family (Mo Perry)
Tom Donnelly (Joan and Pat Ryan)

Wed Lent Feria

10.00am Maria Maciaszek (B'day Anniv)
(Barbara, Colin and Katie Roberts) (Two Int's)

Thu Lent Feria

9.30am Colin Docker (Alice Sharp and family)
Joanna Bazen (Father David)

Fri Lent Feria

7pm Stations of the Cross
7.30pm Mary Powell (Anniv) (Maureen Hazelwood)
Virginia Weeganaar and comfort for her family (Mo Perry)

Sat Lent Feria

10am Birthday Intentions of Archbishop Bernard Longley (Parish) (Two Int's)

St Augustine

The Catholic Parish of Kenilworth

Served by the Churches of St Francis and St Augustine

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WE HAVE ONLY A FEW MASS INTENTIONS / STIPENDS LEFT TO SAY

St Augustine's Church is usually open only on Wednesday and Sunday

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday 10.30 am – 11.00 am and 4.45 pm – 5.15 pm

Collections recently:

23 March: £671-90 Standing Orders: now about £1200 each week.

Walsingham Shrine collection: £545-48 Thank you for your kindness and generosity

This Parish is part of the RC Archdiocese of Birmingham Reg. Charity No.234216

Please pray for those who are sick: Pope Francis, King Charles III, The Princess of Wales, Gabrielle and Brian Chapman, Karen Tooth, Kathleen O'Connor, Norma Brownbill, Charlie and Gabrielle Henville, Father Ian Hoskins, Robin Davis, Geoff Roberts, Caroline Burke, Michael Jones, Tom and Susan Wilding, Alexandra Salter, Glen Dalton, Anne Storey, Agnes Pauling, Richard Hayward, Cathy Smith, Sheila Sumner, Ninu Bonnici, Barbara and Danny MacIlwaine, Marie Foley, Joan O' Leary, Nigel Clark, Margaret Kirk, Noel Kelly, Margaret Sullivan, Paul, Patricia Bailey, Nick Mottram, Jenny Kirkpatrick, Vera Lewis, Sophie Jackson, Father Michael White, Daniel Clifford, Simon Virgo, Father Tony Rohan, Margaret Tenney, Kevin Vincent, Dympna McKay, Helen Butler, Teresa (Marie's Mother), Pat Southall, Martha Sullivan, Kari Gordon, Charlotte Kay, Haydn Manger (from our school), Ethel Ryan

Those who have died recently: Mollie Longstaff, Michael McColl, Eileen Hunt, Kevin Shakespeare, Father Dominic Innamorati SCJ, Virginia Weeganaar

Sunday Mass Times and Intentions

St Francis

Sat **5.30pm** Mollie Longstaff (Pete and Kate Townend and family)

Sun **8.30am** Ladies of the Parish

10.30am Health of Ethel Ryan (John and family)
Princess Anne Olubumi Taylor (16th Anniv) (Anthony and family)

Next Sunday

St Francis

Sat **5.30pm** For the health of Gianni Towle (Lucia and her family)

Sun **8.30am** Jane McKay (9th Anniv)
(Cathy and her family)

10.30am People of the Parish
In thanksgiving (Breda and Tony Stokes)

St Augustine

SAFEGUARDING: PERMANENT NOTICE FROM THE ARCHBISHOP

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese's policies and procedures at all times.

Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is J. Barr who can be contacted

at sg.stfrancis.kenilworth@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 or at safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.

ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM VISION

Our Vision is to be a Catholic Diocese which is faithful to the mission entrusted to us by Jesus Christ, full of missionary disciples who work together co responsibly in vibrant communities of faith, joyful in their service of God and neighbour.

PRAYING FOR POPE FRANCIS

As the Holy Father recovers at the Vatican, we keep him in prayer:

Almighty and Eternal God, you are the everlasting health of those who believe in you. Hear our prayers for your sick servant Francis for whom we implore the aid of your tender mercy, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Our Lady of Lourdes, Health of the Sick, pray for him.

LENT 2025

Remember - Stations of the Cross **Friday 7pm** at **St Francis' Church**, and on **Sunday at 4.30pm**, at **St Austin's Church**.

THIS SUNDAY N B CLOCKS GO FORWARD AN HOUR EARLY A.M.

We keep Mothering Sunday 'Laetare' when we congratulate all Mothers and Grandmothers, and thank God for the part played by all the ladies of our parish.

We thank God for our own Mothers, living or departed; for our Holy Mother Church and for the spiritual motherhood of Our Lady.

Leaflets for Holy Week and Easter and 'Easter Offering' envelopes are available.

In the middle of Lent, flowers and rose-coloured vestments encourage us to rejoice, 'Laetare', as our Lord's glorious Passion and Resurrection are approaching.

There will be an appeal at the Sunday Masses for your kind sponsorship for a charity event by St Peter's School, Leamington Spa.

NEXT SUNDAY

We shall begin the solemn period of Lent, **Passiontide**, which brings us closer to the events of our Lord's saving passion and death, with the veiled appearance of our church reflecting the solemnity of this holy season – **Pastoral Letter** to be read today.

There will be a retiring collection to provide the floral decorations for Easter.

N.B. PARISH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

This will be held at the Parish Centre on Sunday 27 April at 6.30 pm-all welcome.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO THE SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Tuesday 24 – Saturday 28 June-Birmingham flights-to book, please contact Peter Rand peter.rand@btinternet.com or 01926 852163- places still available

WELCOME

We welcome into the family of the Catholic Church, **BENJAMIN LUIS PARADA and EMILIA ROSE PARADA**, who were baptised recently at St. Austin's Church.

We pray for Benjamin and Emilia, for their parents, family members and Godparents.

SVP COMMUNITY WARM HUB The SVP Warm Hub continues to meet every Tuesday morning (10am to 12 noon) in the parish hall. Everyone is welcome to come along to enjoy the warm, friendly atmosphere and free refreshments.

FROM 'LOVE KENILWORTH' - CTKD

There will be a Lenten talk by the Reverend Gillian Roberts about her role with the Farming community. It will be on **Tuesday, 1 April at 7pm** at Stoneleigh Church.

CONFESSIONS FOR OUR LOCAL AREA

Priests will be available at St Peter's Church, Leamington Spa, from **11 am until 6 pm** on **Thursday 3 April**, to enable people to receive absolution before Easter. Come at any time (I shall be on duty from **12 noon until 1 pm**, if you wish to avoid me)!

CAR WASH

From 10.00 am until 3.00 pm on Saturday, 5 April, there will be a fundraising car wash at St Francis' car park, organised by the 5th Kenilworth Scout Group.

Your support for this event would be greatly appreciated.

SVP FOODBANK COLLECTION

Members of the SVP will be holding their next collection of non-perishable food between 11.00am and 1.00pm, on **Saturday, 5 April** in the car park of St. Francis' Church. The items most urgently needed by the Foodbanks are UHT Long life milk, dry noodles, fruit juice or squash, tinned tomatoes, cooking sauces and jam. If you would like to contribute, but are unable to attend at the above time, please phone 01926 858436 and we can collect from your doorstep at a time convenient to you.

EILEEN HUNT RIP

We offer our sympathy to family members and friends with the assurance of our prayers. Funeral Mass will be at **1 pm on Mon 7 April** at St Austin's.

THE YOUTH GROUP

Members have been working on ways to raise money for the Friends of the Holy Land Water Collection and Storage Project, so following Saint Francis' example of living simply, they are planning to raise funds by reusing and recycling unwanted items and Selling Simple Easter Goods. **If you are able to support their efforts after Masses on the weekend of 12/ 13 April they would be very grateful.**

SUPPORT THE FRIENDS OF THE HOLY LAND

Michael and Annabel Roberts will be cycling about 210km of the Camino in Northern Spain this May from Ribadeo to Santiago de Compostela.

To donate, please follow the link below or contact Annabel on 07726327802 if you would prefer to donate in another way. Thank you all so much.

<https://www.friendsoftheholylan.org.uk/appeal/annabel-and-michaels-camino-2025>

GOOD FRIDAY CHILDREN'S SERVICE - 18 APRIL 2025

This popular service will once again be held in St Augustine's school grounds. Meet at the school gate at **9.30am** on Good Friday. Children and young people who would like a speaking part are asked to come along a few minutes early on the day.

GOOD FRIDAY WALK OF WITNESS

The Act of Worship organised by Churches Together in Kenilworth and District takes place at **Abbey End** at **10.45am** and is followed by the procession of Witness to Abbey Hill and the planting of the Cross. All parishioners are encouraged to join in this joint proclamation of our faith with our Christian sisters and brothers locally.

COLLECTION FOR THE HOLY PLACES

This annual collection will be taken as usual **after the 3.00 pm Good Friday Liturgy. WITH EVERY BLESSING AND GOOD WISH TO YOU ALL, FR. KEVIN**