

PARISH OF ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI

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Confession: 5.15-5.45pm Saturday at St Francis church or by arrangement



SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

We are not to approach God, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God in three Persons as a mathematical puzzle or a philosophical problem but, rather, as the Divine community of love whom we are called to know and enjoy for ever; for the one God, who has revealed Himself as Trinity, has made us for himself - to know and enjoy him forever. That is why, in and through sacred mysteries which we celebrate in the Eucharist, he gathers us to himself so that, by grace, we might share in the life and love of the Most Holy Trinity for ever.

June - the Month of the Sacred Heart *Consecration to the Sacred Heart of our Lord Jesus Christ* I give and consecrate to the Heart of our Lord Jesus Christ, my whole life, all my actions, my trials, my sufferings, devoting every portion of my being to loving, honouring, and glorifying him, to working for his love alone, renouncing with all my heart whatever may be displeasing to him. I take you, then, O Sacred Heart, for the one object of my love, the protector of my life, the pledge of my salvation, the remedy of my inconstancy, the redeemer of all my faults, and my sure refuge in the hour of death. O Heart of all goodness, be my justification before God the Father; and shield me from the effects of his just anger. O Heart, overflowing with love, I place all my confidence in you, for I dread my own weakness, while I hope everything from your goodness. Destroy in me whatever displeases you or goes against your will. May pure love of you be so deeply imprinted in my heart that I may never forget you nor be separated from you. I implore you by all your love that my name be graven upon you. May it be my happiness to live and die as your slave. Through Christ our Lord. Amen

First Fridays I will endeavour to celebrate a Votive Mass of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus on the first Friday of each Month.

Day for Life, 15 June 2025 Every year, the Church in England, Wales, Scotland and Ireland, jointly marks the Day for Life, as a reminder of the need to respect and protect the inherent value and dignity of each life. This year, it will be celebrated on Trinity Sunday, the 15th of June. The faithful are invited to join in prayer and promotion of the Day. Useful resources, including a message from the three bishops, and prayers, can be found on the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales' website.

On the 15th of June we will also hold a second collection for the Day for Life Fund. Every year, the fund allocates over £200,000 in grants, to organisations that which promote the Christian respect for life from conception to natural death, in various ways. This has made a significant impact in local communities of England and Wales, by for example, providing mothers and children with necessary means. This is possible if it was not for your generous support to the fund, we therefore invite you to give as much as you can and encourage others to do so. You can also donate by scanning the QR code on the Day for Life 2025 poster in our church, or online via the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales' website, where you will find out more on the Fund.

Become a Foundation Governor or Director at one of our Catholic schools The Diocesan Education Service has launched a new promotional video to support recruitment. In the video Archbishop Bernard Longley, school leaders, and current governors and directors discuss the role and how rewarding it can be. Opportunities are available across the Archdiocese, and all skills and backgrounds are welcome. Visit the diocesan website for more information: <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/>

Third Reading of the Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill The Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill, which seeks to legalise assisted suicide, is fast approaching its decisive vote in the House of Commons which will likely take place on either the 13th or 20th of June. We urge Catholics, and all people of goodwill, to contact their MP and ask them to vote against this bill. We also ask you to pray that our representatives choose to protect the most vulnerable citizens of this country when they vote later this month.

Diocesan Pilgrimage To the Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes Hednesford Sun July 6th 2.15 - 3.45 pm – Confessions; 3 pm Rosary; 4 pm Mass & Sacrament of the Sick - Celebrant Bishop Timothy Menezes. *Please bring your own chairs.* For further information contact: Fr Jeremy Howard, 07868 542268 or email fr.jeremy.howard@rcaob.org.uk

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

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The Angelus

V. The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary.

R. And she conceived of the Holy Spirit.

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee;

Blessed art thou among women,

And blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners,

Now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

V. Behold the handmaid of the Lord.

R. Be it done unto me according to Thy word.

Hail Mary...

V. And the Word was made flesh.

R. And dwelt among us.

Hail Mary...

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray: Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts, that we to whom the Incarnation of Christ Thy Son was made known by the message of an angel, may by His Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of His Resurrection. Through the same Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Masses at St Francis this week

Sat 14 June	12.30pm – Wedding - Mateusz Kostuch and Kerenza Knowles
	6.00pm Mass – Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity
Sun 15	11.00am Mass – Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity
Wed 18	9.00am Mass – Feast of the Dedication of the Cathedral <i>(followed by Holy Rosary)</i>
Thur 19	9.00am Mass <i>(followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction)</i>
Fri 20	9.00am Mass
Sat 21	6.00pm Mass – Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
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