

Weekday Mass Times and Intentions

St Francis

St Augustine

Mon	Christmas Feria 9.30am Sidney Hartshorn (B'day Anniv) (Teresa and family) (Two Int's)	
Tue	Christmas Feria 9.30am Work and well-being of Father Peter Walters (SALVE Members) Sharon Moriarty (Jane and Joseph McDonnell)	
Wed	Christmas Feria	10.00am Nancy Kirkbride (B'day Anniv) (Jane and family)
Thu	Christmas Feria 7.30 pm Mr M E Connelly (Johnson Association) Cyril Morrissey (Robert Hodges)	
Fri	Christmas Feria 7.30 pm Intentions of the Townend family in the USA (Kate and Pete) Nicholas Bodycomb (Ken and Helen West)	
Sat	Christmas Feria 10.00am Canon Paul Nener (Father Kevin) Joanna Bazen (Father David)	

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:

29 December: £344-92 Standing Orders: about **£900** each week.

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:

Those who have died recently:

The Catholic Parish of Kenilworth

Served by the Churches of St Francis and St Augustine

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Notices for week commencing

Sunday 5 January 2025

The Solemnity of the Epiphany OLJC Year: C

From Monday Psalter Week 2

Sunday Mass Times and Intentions

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Sat	5.30pm Intentions of the Brown family (Mary Smith and family)	8.30am Health of Derek Soane (Peter, Sheila and family)
Sun	10.30am People of the Parish Anne Waterhouse (First Anniv) (Breda and Tony Stokes)	
<u>Next Sunday – end of Christmastide</u>		
	<u>St Francis</u>	<u>St Augustine</u>
Sat	5.30pm In thanksgiving for the birth of Maeve Victoria Bolshaw (Anne-Marie Palmer and family)	8.30am For World Peace (CWL Members)
Sun	10.30am Patrick John Murphy (First Anniv) (Noelle and family) M.C. Matthaw (Saji, Ancy and family)	

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.

CHRISTMAS 2024

As we continue to celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ, Father David and I wish you all a happy and holy Christmas with your loved ones, and a blessed New Year.

WELCOME TO ALL VISITORS AT OUR CHRISTMAS SEASON MASSES,

WE HOPE THAT YOU ENJOY YOUR STAY IN KENILWORTH

THIS SUNDAY - THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

We celebrate today the Holy Day of Obligation for the **Epiphany of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ transferred to this Sunday.**

As we then see the Magi or Wise Men at the manger we are reminded that people of every race and nation may find their true home and destiny in the presence of the Lord. Please pray for greater harmony and understanding throughout the world, for better race relations and above all, for peace in the Holy Land.

Masses will be at the usual Sunday times for the Solemnity.

The **Feast of the Baptism of the Lord**, will be celebrated on **Sunday, 12 January**, at the usual Sunday Mass times, and will bring the season of Christmas to its conclusion on that evening.

You may have noticed the availability of Easter eggs already in the shops and supermarkets. Please **do not** buy or eat them yet – it is still Christmastide after all!!

LAST OPPORTUNITY TO GIVE – NEXT SUNDAY

Crib donations this year will be again sent to 'Let the Children Live!' to assist Fr Peter Walters in his work with the street children of Medellin, Colombia.

PAX CHRISTI

There will be a second collection for this Catholic Charity on **Sunday 19 January 2025**, which is kept as Peace Sunday.

ANNUAL PRO-LIFE CHARITY COLLECTION

The collection in 2025 will take place at all masses over **Sunday 1 / 2 February**. I commend to you all this collection for such an important work locally based and working nationally.

PARISH MEETINGS

The next Parish Pastoral Council meeting is on **Tuesday 14 January 2025 at 7.30pm**.

The next Parish Finance Committee meeting is on **Tuesday 21 January 2025 at 7pm**.

Both meetings will take place at the Priest's House.

FATHER DAVID BARNES RIP

We offer our loving condolences to Father David Bazen, whose great friend from University days, Father David Barnes has died recently in London. He was Parish Priest of St Anselm and St Cecilia, Holborn. May he rest in Peace.

CONDOLENCES

Margaret Bailey, Widow of the late Niall Bailey and Mother of the late Paul Meston died on 4 December. Margaret has been part of our parish community for many years and worked as a nurse, with great commitment to Hospice care at Myton. Her Funeral Mass will be on **Wednesday, 15 January at 11.00 am at St Francis' Church** prior to burial at Oaks Road Cemetery. All are welcome to attend.

I understand that **Tony Cotterill** has died during the past week; he worshipped at Balsall Common but was known to many in our parish. We offer our sympathy to his daughters and to all the family and in particular to Sylvia Clifford, a long-time friend, and to all her family. May they rest in peace.

SALVE

The next meeting will be on **Tuesday, 7 January, at 10.30 a.m.**

This will be after the **9.30 am Mass** which will be offered for the work and improvement in health of Father Peter Walters. Recent endeavours will be discussed, and also plans for future Charity activities. New members are always welcome.

SVP COMMUNITY WARM HUB

From Tuesday, 7 January 2025 **the SVP Warm Hub will resume its meetings - every Tuesday morning (10.00am – 12 noon) in the parish centre. Everyone is welcome to come along to enjoy the warm, friendly atmosphere and refreshments.**

SAINT FRANCIS' YOUTH GROUP

The next Meeting will be on Saturday 11 January, from 3.30pm in St Francis Parish Centre. There will be Fun, Games, Snacks, Music and Prayer, with Mass at 5.30pm led by the youth. The meeting is for Young People aged 11 and upwards, with an opportunity for older young people to help out.

For info email: youth@kenilworthcatholic.org.uk or Text or Call: 07879 420009

OCTAVE OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

We shall begin the octave of prayer for the unity of all Christian people on **Saturday, 18 January.**

All parishioners are invited to a United Service at St Nicholas' Church, on Sunday, 19 January 2025 at 6.30pm.

The prayer of Jesus: - "Father that they may be one, as we are one" must be in our hearts and minds as we pray for all our baptised sisters and brothers in Christ.

LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS THIS YEAR

Ash Wednesday	5	March (Lent begins)
Palm Sunday	13	April (Holy Week begins)
Easter Day	20	April
Ascension Day	29	May (restored to Thursday)
Pentecost	18	June
Corpus et Sanguis Christi	22	June (observed on Sunday)

May Our Lord continue richly to bless our liturgical life together during 2025.

WITH EVERY BLESSING AND GOOD WISH TO YOU ALL, FR. KEVIN.