



**Our Parishes of Our Lady and the Apostles, Shipston & Brailes.  
And St Francis of Assisi, Kineton**

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**CALENDAR, MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS.**

**Week beginning 22nd March- Fourth Sunday in Lent**

**The God Who Speaks: The Year of the Word**

*My Dear People,*

*On Wednesday afternoon Cardinal Vincent and the Bishops Conference directed the cessation of public liturgies commencing Friday evening 20th March 2020. This unprecedented action in our lifetime underlines the serious state of affairs both in this country and throughout the world. I have enclosed the full text for your attention. I have also enclosed the Liturgical advice given by the Bishops in light of the corona virus pandemic.*

*What are we to do whilst public worship is suspended?*

*Our journey of faith continues: Our season of Lent continues. Please do your best to make time and space available at home for prayer whether on your own or with family: Remember Our Lord said, "Where two or three are gathered in my name, I am present with you"*

*I shall ensure the churches in Shipston and Kineton are available for a private visit and prayers on Sunday's (9.00am- 1.00pm). Brailes chapel remains open for a visit throughout the day. I have also included introductions for the Sunday readings and bidding prayers that you might use for a Sunday prayer time.*

*Our care for each other continues and I know you will continue to keep a caring eye on each other, especially those you know to be alone.*

*Please pass on any information you deem helpful to other parishioners, directing them to the parish website and the Archdiocese website also.*

*I can be contacted by phone or email in the usual way.*

*My daily prayer and private masses will include you all: Together we can pray for each other, and for all those who are working so very hard, to help others during this pandemic. God Bless you. Fr David.*

*(We wish all our Mothers a very happy (but very different!) Mothering Sunday)*

