



Catholic Parishes of Our Lady and the Apostles (Shipston), SS Peter & Paul (Brailes), and St Francis of Assisi (Kineton)

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CALENDAR, MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS. *Week beginning:*

20th April 2025-Easter Sunday: Pilgrims of Hope

Holy Saturday	Shipston 8.00pm	Christian Kwek	First Mass of Easter
Easter Sunday	Shipston 9.15am	Anthea Anderson	Easter Sunday
20th April	Kineton 11.00am	Gloria & Peter Matthews	
Easter Monday	Kineton 10.00am	Catherine & Simon Walsh	
21st			
Easter	Shipston 10.00am	Angie Marr	
Thursday 24th			
Easter Friday	Brailes 10.00am	Antonieta Fernandes	
25th			
Easter	Brailes 5.00pm	Mark & Lavinia Fleming	Second Sunday of Easter
Saturday 26th			Divine Mercy Sunday
2nd Sunday of	Shipston 9.15am	Betty & Alfredo Sposini	
Easter 27th	Kineton 11.00am	Joseph Lehel	

Please pray for the repose of the following whose anniversaries occur during April: Assayah Essack, Alice Dixon, Helen Worrall, Horace Mead, Julia Martin, Elizabeth Herbert, Julian Brett, Robert Churchill, Harry Scarborough, Monica Dorrity, Ian Jones, Joan Crook, Mary Birch Reynardson, George Ramsay, Rita Cooke, Barbara Flexen, Dennis Walsh, Margaret Payne, Peter McAleese, James Stewart, Lee Johnson, Patricia O'Brien, Bridget Ramsay, Jim Stuart, Sheila Hyder and Tony Kay. May they rest in peace.

Pope's Prayer Intention for April: Let us pray that the use of the new technologies will not replace human relationships, will respect the dignity of the person and will help us face the crises of our times.

Collections: Shipston £104. Brailes £73. Kineton £237.

The Easter Sunday collection will be your offering and gift to Fr David.

The prayer group will meet after Mass on Thursday to pray the rosary and the Divine Mercy Novena. Adoration also takes place.

The Easter Season: "The fifty days from the Sunday of the Resurrection are celebrated in joy and exultation as one feast day, indeed as one "great Sunday". These are the days above all others in which the Alleluia is sung. The first eight days of Easter Time constitute the Octave of Easter and are celebrated as Solemnities of the Lord. On the fortieth day after Easter the Ascension of the Lord is celebrated. The weekdays from the Ascension up to and including the Saturday before Pentecost prepare for the coming of the Holy Spirit, the Paraclete" (Ordo)

Thank you to all who participated in the Easter Triduum, especially our readers, servers and choir. Thank you also to our church cleaners and flower ladies (and gentleman) who ensure all three places of worship are looked after with the greatest of care. Thank you once again for your great care and support. May the Easter season bring you and your loved ones many graces and blessings: God bless you. Fr David

"That was the first Easter Day. Centuries have whirled away since, and on this New Easter day as I turn from that garden to the altar, I behold placed over the tabernacle, on the Resurrection Day, the image not of a Risen Saviour, but the image of a dying one, to teach me that Christ lives over again in His Church, and that the Church, like Christ, not only lives, not only dies, but always rises from the dead. She is in love with death as a condition of birth; and with her, as with Christ, unless there is a Good Friday in her life, there will never be an Easter Sunday; unless there is a crown of thorns there will never be the halo of light; and unless there is the Cross there will never be the empty tomb" (Venerable Fulton Sheen)

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 Representatives are:

Kineton - Maria Tredgold – sg.stfoa.kineton@rcaob.org.uk

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

Church Safeguarding policy.

Information regarding the Church Safeguarding policy is available on the following websites:

- About Safeguarding on the [Archdiocese of Birmingham website](#),
- On the [Bishop's Conference of the England and Wales website](#),
- On the [Safe Spaces website](#).

And also on a document Guide for Survivors of Abuse.