



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:

11th May 2025-Fourth Sunday of Easter: Pilgrims of Hope

Saturday 10th	Shipston 10.00am	Adoration & Confession	Fourth Sunday of Easter
Vigil Mass	Brailes 5.00pm	Jean & Roy Westmoreland	
Sunday 11th	Shipston 9.15am	Devitt Family	World Day of Prayer for Vocations
	Kineton 11.00am	Kathy Williams (SI)	
Monday 12th	Kineton 10.00am	Jim O Toole	
Thursday 15th	Shipston 10.00am	Trevor Whiting (SI)	
Friday 16th	Brailes 10.00am	Jane Featherston (SI)	
Saturday 17th	Brailes 10.00am	Adoration & Confession	Fifth Sunday of Easter
Vigil Mass	Brailes 5.00pm	David Lee (SI)	
Sunday 18th	Shipston 9.15am	Eileen Hunt	
	Kineton 11.00am	Ken & Edwyna Ws. Richardson	

Please pray for the repose of the following whose anniversaries occur during May: Thomas Brennan, Catherine Murphy, Bridget Payjak, Joseph Keogh, Sheila Jenkins, Tommy McDonald, Cornelius Keyes, Helga Beebee, Freda Cox, Robert Moules, Jodie Rashwan, Alice Minogue, Charles Bewlay, Henry Smyth, Margaret Bailes, Ronald Batten, Loisa Hayley, Joanna Watkins, Michael Fahy, Frances Green, Alfredo Sposini and Brian Webster. May they rest in peace.

Please note there is a retiring collection this weekend for the Clergy Training Fund

The scheduled talk about Brailes this Thursday (15th May) in Shipston Parish hall IS CANCELLED. More details will be given at our weekend Masses. My apologies if you had put it in your diary to attend.

Next Sunday our visit to Oscot college is taking place. Coaches will leave from Shipston at 12 noon and Kineton at 12.30pm. There is no coach charge for this visit. There are still plenty of spaces available if you would like to attend but please let me know if you intend to travel but have not put your names down. Afternoon tea will be provided and I need to know on Sunday if there are any dietary requirements.

Diocesan Prayer for Vocations Heavenly Father, we ask you to send labourers into your harvest. Inspire, in the hearts of your people, vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life. Bless our families with a spirit of generosity so that those whom you call have the courage to give themselves to your Church in faith. Through Christ our Lord.

I welcome the wonderful news of the election of Cardinal Robert Prevost as our new Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV. As he prepared to give us his first blessing as Pope in St Peter's Square he also gave us a message of joyful encouragement, calling us to be bridge-builders who are the light of Christ in the world. As the first Pope from the United States of America he also remembered the people of Chiclayo in Peru where he had served as bishop until 2023. I have just spent the last few days at Buckfast Abbey with all the Bishops of England and Wales as we prayed for the Cardinals in Conclave and as we waited to hear whom the Holy Spirit would identify as the Successor of Peter. It will be a great joy to serve the Church's mission inspired by the guidance of Pope Leo. All the lay faithful, the Religious and clergy of our Archdiocese are praying for our new Holy Father that he may serve the Church for many years and be richly blessed in his apostolate.

With my prayers and kindest wishes, Archbishop Bernard Longley.

(Prayer cards for Pope Francis (RIP) are available this weekend. God bless. Fr David

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:

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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.