



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:*

Sunday 16th August 2026: Jubilee Year of St Francis

Saturday 15th	Brailes 10.00am	Adoration & Confession	
Vigil Mass	Brailes 5.00pm	Maria Forde	Assumption of Our Lady
Sunday 16th	Shipston 9.15am	Mark & Lavinia Fleming	
	Kineton 11.00am	Marie Coffey	
Monday 17th	Kineton 10am	Don O Donnell	
Thursday 20th	Shipston 10am	Arthur Lee	
Friday 21st	Brailes 10.am	Terry Ryan	
	Kineton 11.30am	Mary Walsh funeral service	
Saturday 22nd			
Vigil Mass	Brailes 5.00pm	Agnes Cooper (JF)	
Sunday 16th	Shipston 9.15am	Special Intention (JW)	21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
	Kineton 11.00am	Peter Pugh	

Please pray for the repose of the souls of the following whose anniversaries occur during August: John Brooks, Maureen Churchhill, Margaret Sabin, Ernest Milligan, Rita Turner, Mary Cousins, Raffaele Senatore, Ronald Maycock, Brian Delaunay, Terry Hall, Brian Gibson, Phillipa Robinson and Isabel Canning. May they rest in peace.

Pope's prayer for August: Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

Loose Plate Collections: Kineton £130. Shipston £114 Thank you.

Bank Details for donations: Shipston & Brailes: 60.20.41. 89485335 RCA BHAM PSH OF OUR LADY & THE APOSTLES. KINETON 60.20.41 94139326 RCA BHAM ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI KINETON.

"The Catholic Chapel of St Peter & St Paul Lower Brailes 1726-2026". Copies are available in all places of worship this weekend. I am asking for a minimum donation of £5.00. Pay either by cash or by Shipston and Brailes Dona machine or QR code. (Under building fund please)

"In Mary there is a triple transition. In the Annunciation we pass from the holiness of the Old Testament to the holiness of Christ. At Pentecost we pass from the holiness, of the Historical Christ to the holiness of the Mystical Christ or His Body, which is the Church. Mary here receives the Spirit for a second time. The first overshadowing was to give birth to the Head of the Church; this second overshadowing is to give birth to His Body as she is in the midst of the Apostles abiding in prayer. The third transition is the Assumption, as she becomes the first human person to realise the historical destiny of the faithful as members of Christ's Mystical Body, beyond time, beyond death, and beyond judgment.

Mary is always in the vanguard of humanity. She is compared to Wisdom, presiding at Creation; she is announced as the Woman who will conquer Satan, as the Virgin who will conceive. She becomes the first person since the Fall to have a unique and unrepeatable kind of union with God; she mothers the infant Christ in Bethlehem; she mothers the Mystical Christ at Jerusalem; and now, by her Assumption, she goes ahead like her Son to prepare a place for us. She participates in the glory of Her Son, reigns with Him, presides at His Side over the destinies of the Church in time, and intercedes for us, to Him, as He, in His turn, intercedes to the Heavenly Father". **(Ven Fulton Sheen) ("The World's First Love")**

I hope you have a grace filled week. 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:

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

Shipston – Jane. Fetherston – sg.ola.shipstonbrailles@rcaob.org.uk

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.

Safe Spaces is a free and independent support service, providing a confidential, personal and safe space for anyone who has been abused by someone in the Church or as a result of their relationship with the Church of England, the Catholic Church in England and Wales or the Church in Wales. Helpline 03003031056. safespaces@firstlight.org.uk

The Isaiah Journey: is a working group of the Bishops' Conference that has grown out of the need for a pastoral- spiritual response to the suffering of victims and survivors of abuse in the Church. www.cbcew.org.uk/the-Isiah-journey/

The Survivor Forum.

A group of adults with lived experience of faith related abuse and the reporting process. Independent to the Archdiocese they offer insight and guidance to our procedures and policies. They offer peer support. Please contact the Safeguarding team for more details.