



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 9th August 2026: Jubilee Year of St Francis

Saturday 8th	Shipston 10.00am	Adoration & Confession	
Vigil Mass	Brailes 5.00pm	Maria Forde	19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday 9th	Shipston 9.15am	Karen Mansfield	
	Kineton 11.00am	Theresa Coffey	
Monday 10th	Kineton 10am	Tess Poulter	Feast of St Lawrence
Thursday 13th	Shipston	Mgr. Vaughan Morgan	Blessed William Freeman
Friday 14th	No Mass at Brailes		
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	

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.

Collections: Kineton £79. Shipston £210 Thank you. Thank you for the donation of £800 from St Francis Guild.

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).

"Archbishop John Sherrington, Lead Bishop for Life Issues for the Bishops' Conference, has issued a statement highlighting the many dangers of the Private Members' Bill that seeks to legalise assisted suicide:

"The Second Reading of the Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill is expected to take place in the House of Commons on 11 September. Assisted suicide is a matter of life and death, and it is wholly unsatisfactory that this divisive and flawed bill is being put to parliament again as a Private Members' Bill without the key issues being addressed. The reduced majority at Third Reading in the Commons and the debate in the Lords showed how flawed the Bill is.

"This matter is urgent. I urge people to contact their Member of Parliament and ask them to vote against this deeply flawed bill at Second Reading. You can do so by using the simple contact form on the **Right to Life UK** website, the **Bishops' Conference** website, or by writing to your MP.

"This bill is wrong in principle. By allowing medical practitioners to help patients end their lives, it will fundamentally alter the founding principles of the National Health Service and undermine the trust which is central to the relationship between patient and clinician. "As many medical professionals and others have pointed out, the legislation is likely to lead to pressure on the most vulnerable to end their lives through assisted suicide. The safeguards against coercion, pressure and abuse are wholly inadequate".

I hope you are enjoying the August month.

God bless.

Fr David

What's On?

- **St Francis Guild & Parish Council Meeting** - Thursday 3rd September @ 7:00pm
- **Jubilee and Feast of St Francis** and a parish birthday celebration in the Parish Rooms - Sunday 4th October

For more 'What's On' see our Hall Bookings page: <https://stfrancis-kineton.co.uk/index.php/hall-bookings>

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.shipstonbrailes@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.