

St Francis of Assisi Church

Year of the Word

25 High Street Shefford SG17 5DD

Parish Priest: Canon Bennie Noonan: Tel: 01462 813436
frbennie@btinternet.com

Parish Deacon: Rev Peter J Hyde: Tel 01462 711702
hyde888@btinternet.com

Parish Web Site: saintfrancis.uk

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

30th August 2020

Mass and Word & Communion with the people
ALL TO WEAR FACE COVERINGS

Sunday 30th	9:00am 5:15pm	Bill Murphy ints Canon Bennie Noonan ints
Monday 1st	9:30am	Word & Communion
Tuesday 2nd	9:30am	Thomas Percival Veitch, dec'd
Wednesday 3rd	7:00pm 7:30pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Word & Communion
Thursday 4th	9:30am	Susan West dec'd
Friday 5th	9:30am 10:00am – 10:30am	Word & Communion Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday 6th	11:00am	Dec'd members of Lynne Stephens family Foundation Mass
Sunday 7th	9:00am 5:15pm	Joy Lott dec'd Pier & Mary Baffoui family ints.

We are open for Weekend Masses
Sundays 9a.m. and 5.15p.m.

Can you volunteer to help in stewarding the Church
for the times when it will be open for the Masses
during the Virus Crisis ?

If you can do so please let me know
(frbennie@btinternet.com).

*We must be sure that we are Covid Safe.... so it
is IMPORTANT that you think seriously if you
volunteer.*

**We are now also open for weekday
Masses to the Public.**

Please God we have Mass at 9.30am on Tuesdays &
Thursdays and at 11 on Saturdays.

COVID19: Message from the Mayor of Shefford.

He would like the Churches to make congregations aware that virus levels have risen in Shefford, in Arlesey and in Stotfold. These areas flagged up by Central Bedfordshire Council **ARE** dangerously close.

He reminds us of the 3 easy and great things that all us can do to lessen the virus impact:

- *Observe Social Distancing.*
- *Wash your hands regularly.*
- *Wear face coverings in confined spaces (i.e. indoors outside of our Homes).*

A Prayer for the Sick

Lord Jesus, Incarnate Son of God, Who for our salvation, did will to be born in a stable, to endure poverty, suffering and sorrow throughout Your life and finally to die the bitter death of the Cross, I implore You, in the hour of my death, to say to Your Divine Father: *O Father, forgive him / her! Say to my soul: This day you shall be with Me in Paradise!* O my God, my God! Forsake me not at that moment! I thirst! O my God! Truly my soul is athirst for You, the Fountain of Living Water. My life has passed away like unto smoke; yet a little, and all is consummated. Therefore also, adorable Saviour, into Your hands I commend my spirit for all Eternity. Lord Jesus, receive my soul. Amen.

Prayer in time of Suffering

O Lord, Jesus Christ, I receive this sickness with which You are pleased to visit me, as coming from Your fatherly hand. It is Your will, and therefore I submit. "Not my will, but Yours be done." May it be to the honour of Your holy Name, and for the good of my soul. I here offer myself with an entire submission to all Your appointments; to suffer whatever You please, as long as You please, and in what manner You please; for I am a creature, O Lord, who have often and most ungratefully offended You, and whom You might justly have visited with Your severest punishments. Oh, let Your justice be tempered with mercy, and let Your heavenly grace come to my assistance to support me under this affliction!

Confirm my soul with strength from above, that I may bear with true Christian patience all the uneasiness, pains, disquiets and troubles under which I labour; preserve me from all temptations and murmuring thoughts, that in this time of affliction I may in no way offend You; and grant that this and all other earthly trials may be the means of preparing my soul for its passage into eternity, that, being purified from all my sins, I may believe in You, hope in You, love You above all things, and finally, through Your infinite merits, be admitted into the company of the blessed in Heaven, there to praise You for ever and ever. Amen.