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The Most Holy Trinity

26th May 2024

MASS TIMES AT ST. EDWARD'S, KETTERING

- Tuesday - 10.00 am
- Wednesday - 10.00 am
- Thursday - 7.00 pm (*This evening Mass is with music on screen*)
- Friday - 7.00 pm
- Saturday Vigil Mass - 6.30 pm **After Mass - confession on request**
- Sunday Early Mass - 8.30 am
- Sunday Family Mass - 10.30 am

MASS TIMES AT BURTON LATIMER

The **1st** and **3rd** Sunday of every month - **9.00 am**

MASS TIMES AT DESBOROUGH

The **2nd** and **4th** Sunday of every month - **9.00 am**

MASS TIMES AT ROTHWELL

The **1st** and **3rd** Sunday of every month - **12.15 pm**

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For the 5th Sunday of the month, please check the newsletter

*Glory be to the Father,
And to the Son,
And to the Holy Spirit,*



*The God who is, who was,
And who is to come.*

THIS WEEK'S INTENTIONS



- Saturday** 06.30 pm - Patrick, Nonie and Bryan Feehan RIP
- Sunday** 08.30 am - Lynne Dicks 58th birthday / - Dorothy & Martin Mannion RIP
09.00 am - / **Desborough** / - For the Desborough community /
- Juana Garrido RIP
10.30 am - Chuks and Georginia Nwajei, thanksgiving for 10th
wedding anniv. / - Moises Soares dos Reis RIP
- Monday** *(No public Mass)* - Norah Noone
- Tuesday** 09.30 am - **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**
10.00 am - Thanksgiving *through the intercession of St Anthony of Padua*
- Wednesday** 10.00 am - Thanksgiving *through the intercession of St Padre Pio of Pietrelcina*
- Thursday** 07.00 pm - Jinsy Thottam thanksgiving
- Friday** 06.30 pm - **Adoration and Benediction**
07.00 pm - Thanksgiving int.
- Saturday** 06.30 pm - Norah Mangan RIP
- Sunday** 08.30 am - Thanksgiving *through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary*
09.00 am - / **Burton Latimer** / - Connor Clifford int. (*sac. of Confirmation*)
10.30 am - Domingos Maia RIP
12.15 pm - / **Rothwell** / - For the Parish

To request a Mass Intention please contact the parish office.

To respect people's wishes, there has usually been only one Mass Intention per Mass (This Intention might encompass even several people, but it will have been requested by one individual). There are occasional instances though, when there need to be two separate Intentions at a Mass. When this arises, I would be grateful for your understanding.

CONFESSIONS AT ST EDWARD'S



Confessions at St Edward's are on Saturdays after the Vigil Mass which is at 6.30 pm.

You can always request confession before or after any weekday Mass.

*“The first step we must take to build the Kingdom of God on earth is to rediscover and appreciate the importance of the sacrament of confession, which will allow us to appreciate the sacrament of the Eucharist. **We cannot appreciate the Eucharist while removing the sacrament of Confession from our spiritual life**”.*

- Fr Gregory

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED



In our prayers, let us remember our deceased parishioners, family members and friends. Let us especially remember those who have recently passed away.

Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis.

A REASON FOR JOY



The scene of the Visitation (feast day on Friday) gives us a clear picture of celebration. The young Mary visited the elderly Elizabeth and both were with child. This was a good reason to celebrate because of the joy motherhood would bring. But there was a greater reason. God blessed these women and they were humbled by that blessing. It was not Mary who honoured the older Elizabeth and marvelled at the miracle of her pregnancy. No, it was older who honoured the younger and was in awe at the work of God in their midst. The elderly Elizabeth had the prophet of the Messiah in her womb, while the younger Mary was pregnant with the Christ Himself.

Luke painted the scene of greeting as an opportunity for prophecy by Elizabeth who declared the blessing of Mary (using words partially reflected in the Hail Mary). Mary was blessed because of her maternity and God's favour. She derived her status because of her faith and because of the importance of her son. (In a male dominated, gender segregated society, women derived their status based upon the social and economic importance of males in their lives: fathers, husbands and sons.)

Mary would respond to Elizabeth's blessing with a prayer of praise for her new status with what is now known as "The Magnificat", a song of joy. God had decided to use a lowly handmaiden to fulfil His will. His activity in Mary's life was a reason for praise and was seen as an act of divine power. This line of reasoning paralleled Luke's view of the crucifixion. Jesus died a shameful death in the eyes of his contemporaries - yet, in the eyes of the faithful, His lowly death was a mighty act of God. After all, just as the pain of childbirth gives way to the joy of new life, so the death pangs of Jesus gave way to the glory of the resurrection. The pregnancy of Mary was the first step in God's immediate plan for salvation.

What would that pregnancy mean to Israel? Mary's song listed two results: a sign of faithfulness to the people and justice. God would change (even invert) the world order. The rich and powerful would be humbled. And the poor would be exalted through the birth, life, death, and resurrection of Jesus. His life would mark the beginning of the end time, when divine justice would reign and God would bless even the forgotten among the people. In the end, God would keep his promises.

So, Mary had reason for joy. Her status was not based upon local opinion but upon her place in God's plan. She was the first to accept the Good News at the Annunciation. Now she was an instrument of God's will and power. For that reason, her reputation would spread from generation to generation. She would be the mother of the Saviour. And the Mother of God!

The feast of the Visitation is a reason for joyful celebration. God blessed even in the lowest of society and His blessing would bring life to everyone, high or low, who believed.

How might that thought humble us this week and focus our hearts on His love? How might we then cause that love to spill out to others in whatever we do?

REGISTRATION AT ST EDWARD'S PARISH



Parish Registration

We are now using a new computer system to help us manage our parish better. It starts with us making sure that we have up to date contact information for all of our parishioners and so we would be grateful if you could complete the registration form by clicking on this QR code or by typing the link into your browser.



www.caspar.church/me?ID=56026

If you don't have an email address, please speak to a family member who can help you, or to someone in the parish office who can complete the form on your behalf.

PATRONAL SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY 26th MAY



Today we remember our community in Desborough as they celebrate the feast of the Most Holy Trinity. May they receive many blessings and graces. Happy Feast Day!

LET US OPEN ST EDWARD'S DURING THE WEEK FOR PRIVATE PRAYER



A while back I put the notice below into the newsletter and on Facebook. Unfortunately, there was no one willing to commit to being on a rota. I would like to have the church opened if possible. Last Friday one of our parishioners observed someone kneeling and praying outside on the steps by the main door.

I will be hosting a meeting when we can talk about how we can make this possible. It will be on **Wednesday, 29th May** after 10 am Mass. Everyone is welcome to attend.

*Historically St Edward's Church used to be open all day during the week. However, due to some serious incidents and for parishioners' safety, we felt it prudent to keep the church closed outside of Mass times. I would like to slowly reopen the church for longer periods for private prayer, but I will need the help of parishioners to do so. Initially I would like to have the church open on a **Wednesday** from after Mass until 1 pm. This would require two parishioners at a time to be present in the church during that period at all times to keep watch. If you are willing to help, please do not add comments below on Facebook but contact me directly and I will make a rota and announce in the newsletter when we can start. If this goes well, we can then expand the days and times when our church is open for private prayer. - Fr Gregory*

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION



If you would like your child to be baptised, please contact Fr Gregory. Parents who would like their children to be baptised are invited to attend Baptismal Preparation on the first Monday of the month at **7 pm** at St Edward's Church. The next meeting will be on Monday, **3rd June 2024**.

COFFEE MORNINGS



The next **Wednesday Coffee Morning** in the parish hall, will be run by **the UCM** after 10.00 am Mass on **5th June**.

On **3rd July** - **the Burton Latimer Community** / on **7th August** - **Desborough**

THE PARISH YOUTH GROUP



If you would like your son or daughter to take part in youth group activities, please email the parish office and request a registration form. The next meeting will be on **Friday, 7th June at 6.30 pm**.

DIVINE MERCY APOSTOLATE



The Divine Mercy Apostolate, London is holding a First Saturday Divine Mercy Recollection Day at the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham, on Saturday 1st June 2024 from 11 am to 4:30 pm. The Recollection Day will include teachings on the Message of Mercy, Holy Mass, Stations of the Cross, Hour of Mercy with Adoration and Benediction and Veneration of the Image of Merciful Jesus. All welcome. Pls call millie on 07957594646 for more information. Coaches from Slough, Ealing Broadway and Victoria.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASSES



First Holy Communion
for children from both of our primary schools
will take place on
Saturday 15th June

>> Children from **St Thomas More School**

will have their 1st Holy Communion **at 11.00 pm.**

>> Children from **St Edward's School**

will have their 1st Holy Communion **at 1 pm.**

>> Children who attend **non-Catholic schools**

will have their First Holy Communion on **Saturday, 29th June at 10 am.**



Come Lord Jesus into our hearts, we are waiting for you,
and we want to welcome you as a very special guest.

THE BETHLEHEM NATIVITY GROUP



A thank you message from The Bethlehem Nativity Group TBNG - Christian greetings and the Peace of our Lord be with you always. We would love to thank you by allowing our group to come to your church and sell the olive wood religious articles, the result of which was very beneficial and rewarding for our needy Christian families, which raised **£ 3,764.00**. Your help is a great support for us, and for our Christian families in the Holy Land. We don't have enough words to thank you and your parishioners, but make sure that you are always in our prayers. If anyone has missed the carvings display, You can place an order online directly from them at www.tbng.co.uk
God bless you all. Love and blessings from The Bethlehem Nativity Group.

DIOCESAN NEWS



THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF NORTHAMPTON

TAIZE PILGRIMAGE YOUNG ADULT PILGRIMAGE

Fr Alessandro Reno will lead a group of young people from our diocese to Taizé in August this year. They will embark on a ten-day trip from the 17 – 26 August to experience this unique and wonderfully spiritual community. The trip is open to young people aged between 15 and 35 years old (those under 18 should receive parental permission).

For more information visit <https://st-augustines-church.org.uk/taize-2024/>

RCIA Team Training

A 4 session Zoom course run by the Diocesan Liturgy Commission and Mission Northampton. The course will run over four Monday evenings designed to help RCIA leaders, catechists, liturgists and RCIA teams by exploring the Periods, Rites and Practicalities of running the RCIA process (Journey of Faith) in a parish. More information including dates <https://northamptondiocese.org/courses/rcia-team-training-june-2024/>

WOMEN IN MINISTRY - THIRD DIOCESAN GATHERING

As a woman of the diocese, you are warmly invited to a joyful day of sharing and conversation, exploring our roles, gifts, ministries, and our calling in the Church. Saturday 8th June 10am to 4pm, St Mary's Catholic Church, Aspley Hill, Woburn Sands MK17 8NN. A light lunch is provided. Tickets are free but limited, so please book now. This is the link to book your place, <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/the-gathering-3-tickets-858730003557>

ST EDWARD'S PARISH FACEBOOK GROUP



The Parish of St. Edward, RC Church, Kettering.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/2762598427183322/>

St. Nicholas Owen Catholic Church - Burton Latimer.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/809856073037388/>

PARISH CALL AND CARE



The Parish is continuing with its "Parish Call and Care scheme" to support isolated and elderly parishioners. If you are someone who would like to receive calls, from a fellow parishioner, or know of someone who you feel would appreciate such a call, please contact Fr Gregory in the first instance on 01536 512497 or email parish.stedwardkettering@northamptondiocese.org with your name and phone number (and if you are recommending anybody else to receive such calls, their name and phone number) parish.stedwardkettering@northamptondiocese.org with your name and phone number (and if you are recommending anybody else to receive such calls, their name and phone number).

USEFUL LINKS



National Domestic Abuse Helpline 0808 2000 247

Refuge website <https://www.refuge.org.uk/>

Kettering Foodbank 1 Horse Market, Unit 1B, Kettering, NN16 0DG (side entrance at the top of Market Street) Tel. 07709 741353 <https://www.ketteringfoodbank.org/>

A list of free food outlets in Kettering (updated March, 2022):

<http://www.stedwardskettering.org.uk/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/Kettering-Food-Outlets-Virus-Update-no32.pdf>

Mary's Meals <https://youtu.be/llqBIXrVJzw> / **Right to Life** <https://righttolife.org.uk>

Redundancy Coaching <http://www.vitaeopus.co.uk> provides free online information and advice about Job Hunting, Self-Employment and Active Retirement for Parishioners adversely affected workwise by the pandemic. Please pass the link on to anyone who may find it useful.

Safe Spaces We welcome contact from anyone hurt by abuse, whether that be through your experience within the Church or elsewhere. **Safe Spaces** is a free and independent support service, providing a confidential, personal and safe space for anyone who has been abused through their relationship with either the Church of England or the Catholic Church in England and Wales.

safeguarding@northamptondiocese.org

Please have a look at this page from the Northampton Diocese website:

[Northampton Diocese Resources](#) which gives further information and contact details.

Safe Spaces is an independent and confidential support service for adults who have been abused by someone in the Church. Please see parish noticeboards for further details.

WEEKLY/MONTHLY DONATIONS



If there are any Parishioners who would like to join the weekly box system / gift aid scheme, then please do let us know by completing a form, available from the porch table and putting it on the collection plate or through the Presbytery letterbox.

To those who already donate through the Gift Aid Scheme, please be reminded that if your tax situation has changed or you have moved house, then please let us know.

There are several other ways of donating as follows;

- **Online** This can be done via the Diocesan website which can be found at <https://northamptondiocese.org/>. Scroll down to find the 'Donate' button and follow the instructions on the Catholic Diocese of Northampton Virgin money giving page. By indicating in the notes section of the donate page that the donation is for "**St. Edward's Kettering**" your donation will go into our parish account with the diocese, and will at the same time help our diocese as a whole. Please note that there is the facility to Gift Aid any donation to your parish if you are a taxpayer.
- **Standing Order** via your own bank. Alternatively, you can set up a standing order for donations to your parish using your online bank account. The information required to make the donation is as follows. Bank; NatWest Sort Code; 60-06-11 Account Name; 46898093 Account Name; Northampton Roman Catholic Diocesan Trust Payment Ref; St. Edward's, Kettering
- **Make a donation to your own parish over the phone** - Each 'Tuesday' between 10.00am and 4.00pm, a member of the finance team will be available at Bishop's House to take your calls to donate to your parish community over the telephone. To donate simply call 01604 712065 with your debit or credit card details. (If you get the answering machine just leave your name and number NOT bank details and you will be called back). You can make a one-off donation or regular weekly or monthly payments, on any Tuesday until further notice.
- You can also support the Parish by **making a donation through the letterbox** of the presbytery at any time.

DONATIONS BY CARD

You will find the **DONA STATION** next to the statue of the Sacred Heart.

Thank you for any help you can give.

YOUR LEGACY

Your Legacy - Invest in the future of your parish and our Diocese. Gifts in your Will are a memorable and lasting way you can continue to support the Church's ministry and mission and help meet the needs of future generations. Please consider gifts to the Church and Catholic charities next time you update your Will. For more information, pick up a bookmark; contact your parish office, alternatively, go to www.northamptondiocese.org/your-legacy or contact Brian Emmanuel on 01604 600337 or brian.emmanuel@northamptondiocese.org



Watoto
Children's Choir
LIVE

YOU'RE INVITED

Join the **Watoto Children's Choir** as they sing, dance, and share their stories of restoration and hope.

Enjoy this **FREE CONCERT** featuring music from the new album, **"Better Days—There Is Hope"**.



WATOTO.com

You can order tickets by clicking the link below.

[Watoto Children's Choir in 'Better Days' - Kettering, St Thomas School Tickets, Thu 6 Jun 2024 at 19:00 | Eventbrite](#)

BETTER DAYS

There is Hope

All the way from Uganda, East Africa, the Watoto Children's Choir is performing songs from their new album, "Better Days—There Is Hope". Come join us as they sing, dance, and share their stories of restoration and hope.

Watoto Children's Choirs have travelled extensively since 1994. In fact, almost every day of the year the choir is performing somewhere throughout the world. That means thousands of people get to meet some of our future leaders. As people see their smiles and are embraced by their hugs, our children have the privilege of telling people, "No matter what you're going through, Jesus is our hope and there are better days ahead. Look at what God has done in my life."

Other than coming to Africa yourself, what better way to learn about all the good work God is doing through Watoto than by meeting the children and hearing their stories. This one-of-a-kind experience will inspire and encourage you, your friends, and your family.

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THE RELIC IMAGE OF
OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

Visits

**NORTHAMPTON CATHEDRAL
DAY FOR LIFE**

(event will be live streamed)

**I have set before you life and death, blessing
and curse; therefore choose life that you and
your descendants may live**

(Deuteronomy 30:19)

*Celebrating the gift of life
and in Reparation for Offences to the Sanctity of Life*

Saturday 15th June 2024

- 3 pm** Welcome with Exposition, Rosary,
Divine Mercy, and prayer reflections
(*4.30pm optional refreshments will be offered)
- 5 pm** Talk on Our Lady of Guadalupe
- 5.30 pm** Veneration/ Petitions
- 6 pm** Mass followed by Veneration

Sunday 16th June 2024

- 8.30 am** Mass followed by Veneration
- 9.40 am** Talk on Our Lady of Guadalupe
- 11 am** Mass with Bishop David Oakley
- 12 am** Veneration/ petitions/departure

**Our Lady's appearance in Mexico in 1531 brought
about the peaceful conversion of millions of Aztecs
who ceased to practice human sacrifice**

ONE OF 220 IMAGES COMMISSIONED BY POPE SAINT JOHN
PAUL II. TOUCHED TO THE ORIGINAL IN MEXICO (FROM 1531)
AND BY DECREE OF THE CHURCH BEARS THE SAME GRACES

www.relicourladyofguadalupe.co.uk

PILGRIMAGE TO FRANCE

You are invited to join Bishop David and Canon John Udris on pilgrimage to Northern France from 15-22 October 2024. The pilgrimage will begin with three nights in Lisieux, the home of St Terese, before we travel to Chartres to the beautiful Cathedral for one night. Leaving Chartres we travel to Paris via Rouen. We travel home following three nights in the French capital.

For more details visit <https://northamptondiocese.org/france/>



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PILGRIMAGE OF PRAYER

2024 YEAR OF PRAYER

15/10/24 - 22/10/24

NORTHERN FRANCE:

LISEUX / CHARTRES / PARIS



The price £1875 includes:

- Coach travel from our diocese
- 7 nights accommodation
- Daily breakfasts and dinner
- Daily Mass led by Bishop David Oakley
- Reflections from Fr John Udris



[www.northamptondiocese.org/pilgrimage](https://northamptondiocese.org/pilgrimage)

EMMAUS COURSE



A Weekend Journey to Emmaus (Luton): Saturday 20th – Sunday 21st July 2024. HOSTED BY MISSION NORTHAMPTON

A heartwarming journey with Jesus as he explains the Scriptures. The road to Emmaus must be walked by all who wish to evangelise, since our hearts must be burning with the fire of the Word, in order to touch others with our words. 'Emmaus' will:

- Deepen your appreciation of the Scriptures.
- Enable you to experience the power of the Word of God.
- Take you on a journey through the Old Testament and show how it is fulfilled in Jesus.
- Give you a burning desire to return from 'Emmaus' to 'Jerusalem' to announce your encounter with the Risen Lord.

More information : <https://northamptondiocese.org/courses/a-weekend-journey-to-emmaus-july-2024-luton/>