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29th Sunday in Ordinary Time, year B

20th October 2024

MASS TIMES AT ST. EDWARD'S, KETTERING

- Tuesday and Wednesday - 10.00 am
- Thursday and Friday - 7.00 pm (*Thursday evening Mass is with music on screen*)
- 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

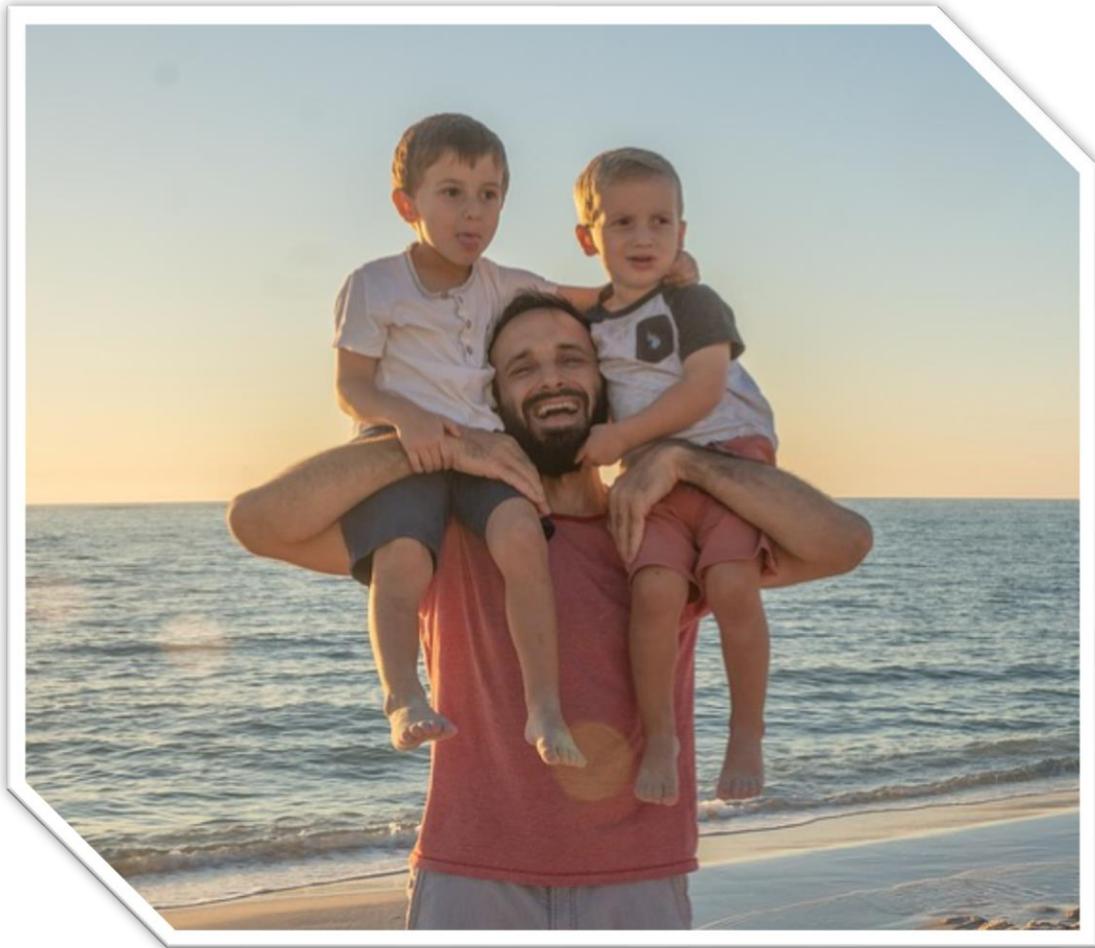
The **1st** and **3rd** Sunday of every month - **12.15 pm**

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For the 5th Sunday of the month - Masses only at St Edward's.

James and John, the sons of **Zebedee**,
came up to Jesus and said to him:

***Grant us to sit, one at your right hand
and one at your left, in your glory.***



Jesus called them to him and said:
***Whoever would be great among you
must be your servant, and whoever
would be first among you must be
slave of all.***

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.

+ John Spowart - His Funeral Service will be at the **Crematorium** on **Friday,**
1st November at 12 noon.

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

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY 2024



Always celebrated on the second to last Sunday of October, this year it will be marked on **October 20th**. World Mission Sunday is a special day that unites Catholics worldwide in prayer, solidarity, and support for the Church's mission efforts.

This year's theme, chosen by Pope Francis, is rooted in the Gospel of Matthew: **"Go and Invite Everyone to the Banquet"**, reflecting the inclusive and urgent call to bring God's love to everyone. Please join in this universal mission to spread the Gospel and invite all to experience the joy of Christ's message!

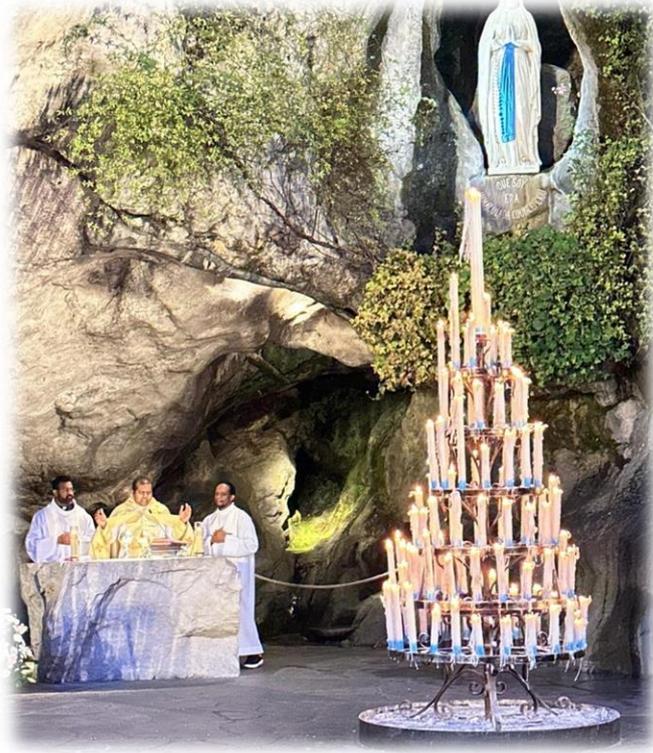


REGISTRATIONS FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION



Registration forms for **First Holy Communion** and **Confirmation** for children who do not attend a Catholic school, are available after Mass. Please read the accompanying letter carefully before filling in the form. We are looking forward to getting to know our new First Holy Communion children and new candidates for the sacrament of Confirmation. Lessons for First Holy Communion will begin after Christmas. Lessons for Confirmation will start around Easter.

A BELATED HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO FR ELVIS



We could not wish **Fr Elvis** a Happy Birthday on his Birthday, because he spent this special day with Our Lady of Lourdes in Lourdes! Therefore, today we wish him many happy returns and lots of physical strength and positive energy in his pastoral ministry. It is also the first anniversary of his arrival in Kettering, flowers in hand, ready to place under the statue of Our Lady in our church. **Our Lady of Lourdes and the Holy Rosary, please pray for your son, Fr Elvis!**



OCTOBER - MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY



We are praying the Rosary in our church on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

>> **Rosary at Rothwell** (St Bernadette's Church) is every **Thursday at 11 am.**

>> **Rosary at Desborough** (Holy Trinity) is every **Thursday at 4 pm.**

As we venerate the Queen of The Holy Rosary, we remember how Jesus said to Mary and St John on Calvary: *'Mother this is your son, Son this is your Mother'*. And from that moment John took her to himself. Following the example of St John, the Apostle we would like to take Our Lady to our homes as well, and pray through her intercession. Just like last year, on the table (next to the Sacred Heart) there will be a statue of Our Lady and a rosary blessed by Pope Francis. Each of us can take that statue and rosary for one evening and invite our family to pray the rosary together. You can cover your table with white cloth and light a candle if you wish. If you live alone, you can invite your friends. There will be a booking list on the table as well for those who are willing to take part in this initiative, so that we are sure that Our Lady will be in our homes. Please take the statue and rosary after a Mass and return both before the next. October has 31 days, so please don't miss out this opportunity of having our Blessed Mother at your home, and pray the Rosary.



AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM FR GREGORY ABOUT APPLICATIONS TO BISHOP STOPFORD SCHOOL



I am sure that parents are aware that on the application form there is a section about the church leader. When you fill this in, please come and see me at any time, before or after any Mass, with a photocopy of the form. I will then be able to keep a record of who is applying to the school and when they contact me with a list of applicants, it will be easy for me to check the names put forward. If I have not met someone, even very briefly, it is very hard for me to verify a name on the list. I would like to avoid confusion and disappointment at a later date. There is no need to make an appointment, a quick 'Hello Father' and a smile will do! *Fr Gregory*

BEREAVEMENT MASSES AT ST EDWARD'S



*They are not the ones who are dead, we are the ones who die,
they are the ones who live eternal life.*

We all know that bereavement might be a painful and emotional time for those who lost their loved ones. Perhaps you yourself are experiencing this or somebody you know is. Please consider joining us. Pain and sadness caused by death is not as difficult if you can share it with others who are in a similar situation.

From our Christian point of view, faith in God gives us a great comfort. However, no matter how strong your faith is, whether you are Christian or not, whether you believe in God or not, you are very welcome to come and join our group, listen to others or share your own experience. Each Mass will be followed by refreshments and friendly conversation in the Parish Hall. If you want to, you can bring with you a funeral booklet or a photo of your loved one and display it in front of the altar. These are the dates for our Masses:

Masses in 2024

Saturday, 2nd November (*All Souls Day*) at **6.30 pm**

Thursday, 5th December at **7 pm**

Masses in 2025

Thursday, 6th of March at **7 pm**

Thursday, 5th of June at **7 pm**

Thursday, 4th of September at **7 pm**

Sunday, 2nd of November (*All Souls Day*) at **7 pm**

Thursday, 4th of December at **7 pm**

CELEBRATION OF THE FEAST OF ST CECILIA

Friday, 22nd November at 6.30 pm



'He who sings, prays twice' St Augustine

I would like to invite all our communities, our catholic schools, choirs, music groups, duets, soloists to take part in our celebration on

22nd November at 6.30 pm.

This is to be a celebration, not a competition, for everybody to enjoy an evening of Christian music. It does not matter how big or small a choir or music group is, or how long it has been running. The important thing is that everybody comes out of church feeling uplifted.

This is to be a worship of God through beautiful singing, not a concert. Any music group or duet or soloist interested in taking part in our project, please inform Fr. Gregory by the **15th of October**, and send him a list of hymns they want to sing. Hymns cannot be repeated. If any group has already selected a particular hymn before you, you will be asked to change your selection. So, the sooner I know, the better. I suggest that children from our schools will sing first, then order performances will be by random draw and the music groups will be informed in what order they will be singing a week beforehand.

Programme: *Each group will be given approximately 10 minutes to introduce itself and sing several hymns. The number of hymns will depend of how many choirs want to take part in this celebration of church music. Refreshments will be hosted by the members of our parish groups.*

ALL SAINTS DAY 2024

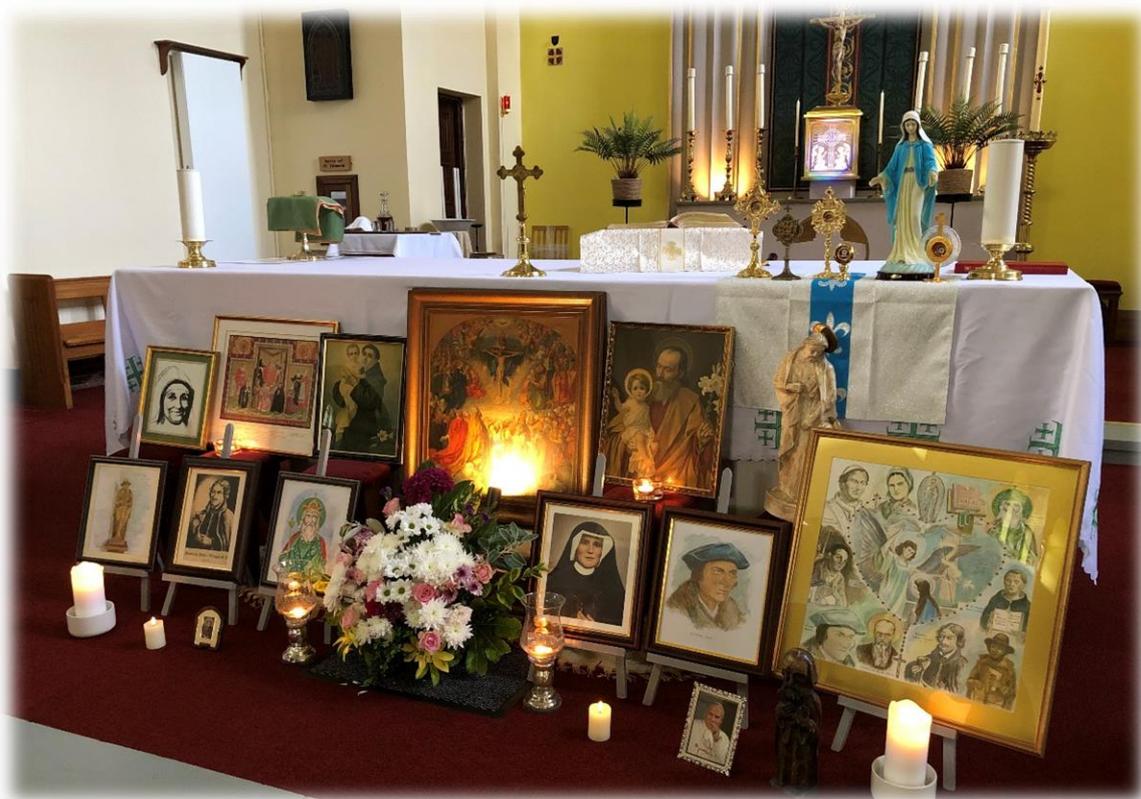


This year, **All Saints Day** (*Holy Day of Obligation*) falls on Friday. Masses at St Edward's will be as follows:

>> **Thursday, 31st October - Vigil Mass - at 7.00 pm**

>> **All Saints Day, Friday, 1st November at 10.00 am and 7.00 pm**

*Mass at **Desborough** on All Saints Day will be at 5.30 pm.*



ALL SOULS DAY 2024



All Souls Day falls on Saturday, **2nd November**

Masses at St Edward's will be at:

10.00 am and 6.30 pm (*Bereavement Mass*).

At **Burton Latimer** and **Rothwell**, Masses for the *Holy Souls* will be on **Sunday**.

During these Masses we will pray especially for those parishioners, who passed away in the last year. I would like to invite those who lost their loved ones since last November (2023). We could put photographs or even Orders of Service of those who died, on the steps of the Sanctuary as we did last year.



In the Sanctuary you can find a basket with envelopes in which you can put a card with the names of the deceased. You can also use ordinary envelopes for this. Please return your envelopes to the Church (put it in the collection basket) or to the Parish office (put it through the letter box). Your donation can be placed in the envelope. Mass for Holy Souls will be offered for them during the month of November and the year ahead.

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, **1st November at 6.30 pm.**

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION



If anyone wants their child to be Baptised, they will need to attend Mass every weekend for at least two months before attending a meeting. Please contact the office for further details. Our next Baptismal Preparation will be on **Monday, 4th November at 7 pm** at St Edward's Church.

COFFEE MORNINGS



The next **Wednesday Coffee Morning** in the parish hall, will be run by the **Flower Arrangers and Readers** after 10.00 am Mass on **6th November.**

/// 4th December - Church Cleaners and Children's Liturgy

ST EDWARD'S CHURCH IS OPEN EVERY WEDNESDAY FOR PRIVATE PRAYER



The church remains open on each **Wednesday** after Mass until **1 pm**. Please take this opportunity to spend some time with the Lord.

ST EDWARD'S PARISH FACEBOOK GROUP



St. Edward - Kettering

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

St. Nicholas Owen - Burton Latimer

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

REGISTRATION AT ST EDWARD'S PARISH

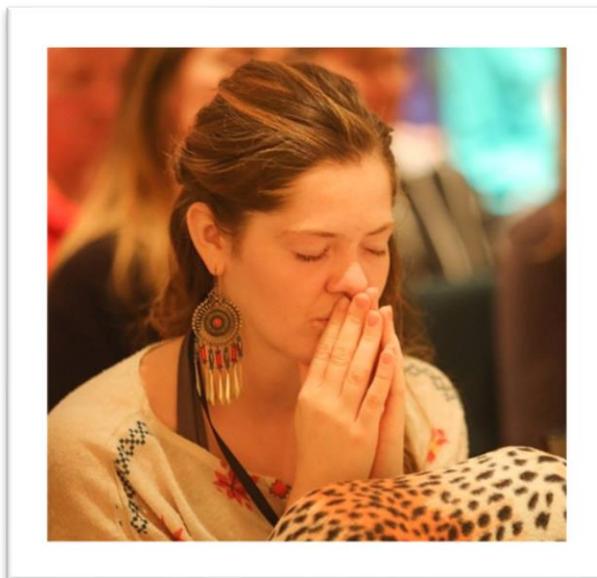


Please complete the registration form by clicking on this QR code above, or by typing the link into your browser www.caspar.church/me?ID=56026

RETRouvaille

You Can Help Your Marriage - Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue... or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? **Retrouvaille** helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. There is no group therapy or group work. This programme has helped 1000s of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information about **Retrouvaille** or to register for the next programme starting with a residential weekend from *8th - 10th Nov* Call or text 0788 7296983 or Email: retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com www.retrouvaille.org.uk

RETREATS



Praying with St Dominic, 1st - 3rd November 2024

This retreat explores the life and faith of St Dominic de Guzman, founder of the Order of Preachers (the Dominicans), whose objective was to continue safeguarding the Catholic faith. His Marian devotion and the place of the rosary in Christian prayer will be a special focus of this retreat preached by Fr Lawrence Lew, OP. For more information and to register, click here

<https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/praying-with-saint-dominic/>

Be Still and Know that I am God, 21st - 24th November 2024

Join Fr Roger Dawson, SJ, for this retreat exploring the human condition with practices common to mindfulness and to Christian contemplative prayer. The retreat will seek to reclaim those practices that share common ground with the tradition of apophatic prayer and theology rooted in the monastic and the Eastern Orthodox traditions. For more information and to register:

<https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/be-still-and-know-that-i-am-god/>

DEVOTIONS AT ST EDWARD'S

Attending Sunday Mass is something, which we as Catholics do, not only because it is our duty but because our souls gather strength thanks to the Sacrifice of Our Lord. Yet, there are many more occasions when we can come to church, when we can show our appreciation to God, when we can worship, praise and thank Him, when we can share our worries with Him. As well as times of quiet devotion, the church calendar in our parish gives us an opportunity for more organised prayer.



- >>> **The Angelus** prayer we say after each Tuesday and Wednesday Mass.
- >>> **First Friday Adoration** - on each first Friday of the month adoration starts at 6 pm and is concluded by the Litany to The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus and benediction.
- >>> **Weekday adoration** - on **Tuesdays** 30 minutes before morning Mass
and on **Fridays** 30 minutes before evening Mass.
- >>> **Lent Time - The Stations of the Cross** are led by parishioners after
Wednesday Masses at 10 am, and before Friday Masses, that is at 6.15 pm.
- >>> **Easter Time** - we pray **Divine Mercy Chaplet** on Divine Mercy Sunday at 3 pm,
and during the week following Divine Mercy Sunday after weekday Masses.
- >>> **May** is the month of Our **Blessed Mother**.
We pray the **Litany of Loreto** after each weekday Mass.
- >>> **June** is the month of the **Most Sacred Heart of Jesus**.
We pray the **Litany to the Heart of Jesus** after each weekday Mass.
- >>> **July** is the month of the **Most Precious Blood of Jesus**.
We pray the **Litany to the Blood of Jesus** after each weekday Mass.
- >>> **October** is the month of the **Holy Rosary**.
We pray the Rosary 30 minutes before each weekday Mass.
- >>> **November** is the month of **all the faithful departed**. We pray the Rosary or Divine
Mercy Chaplet for those who have passed away, after each weekday Mass.

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

DIOCESAN NEWS



THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF NORTHAMPTON

Word On Fire Conference

Save The Date: **Saturday 22nd February**

Bishop Robert Barron will be returning to the UK for a national conference titled Evangelisation & Culture: The Bible on Saturday 22nd February at the Excel Centre in East London.

This event is a follow-up to the highly acclaimed conference we organised in February 2023, which brought together 1,300 attendees at the QEII Centre in Central London. For this next conference we want to gather 3,000 people, including clergy and laity, from across UK and beyond.

Speakers will include Bishop Robert Barron, N.T. Wright, Professor Tracey Rowland, Archbishop John Wilson, and others. The conference will focus on the Bible—its depth, prophetic value for culture, and how it informs the Church's mission in the world today. Find out more and sign up for updates (inc. release of tickets) 

<https://events.wordonfire.org/the-bible-event>

Bethany Mass: Mass for people with disabilities and their families

The next Mass will be this Sunday, Oct. 20th at 3 p.m. at Sacred Heart Church, Stopsley, Luton LU2 9 AY. (About 15 mins. from Junction 10 of the M1) All are welcome. Access to the Church is step-free, and there is ample parking. The Mass will be followed by refreshments.

OPPOSE ASSISTED SUICIDE

Unite in prayer and compassionate action to
oppose **assisted suicide**

Attempts are being made in
parliament to legalise assisted
suicide – so-called assisted
dying. This would undermine the
sanctity and **dignity** of human
life.

Act Now!



 SCAN ME

Use your smartphone camera
to scan the **QR code** to visit the
Bishops' Conference website.

There you will find resources to
help you **contact your MP**, read
the reasons why we oppose
assisted suicide, explore FAQs,
and more.



Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales

39 Eccleston Square, London. SW1V 1BX

Special or Extra Needs in Your Family?



The Bethany Group

We are a Diocesan group for those with special or additional needs and their families. It is called The Bethany Group.

Mass will be celebrated with The Bethany Group at Sacred Heart Parish, Stopsley, Luton on 20th October, at 3pm. All are very welcome.

Refreshments after the Mass.

Other dates for this year are: 17th November, 15th December.

2025: 19th January, 16th February, 16th March, 18th May.

All at Sacred Heart, Stopsley, Luton LU2 9AY at 3pm.

DO YOU NEED MARRIAGE HELP?

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Stronger
Marriage**

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- **We have proven results. Over 95% of couples that attend would recommend the program.**

Tel: 0788 729 6983 / 0797 338 0443

Email: retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com



**Two upcoming Zoom sessions this Autumn
led by the Diocesan Liturgical Formation Team**

Celebrating Our Riches

Monday 14 October 2024

7.30pm -8.45pm

A zoom meeting to invite people from all our parishes to share how they celebrate the many different cultures which now enrich our communities. We hope anyone who has experience and ideas will join so that we can begin to see how to develop this across the diocese. It is an open meeting for clergy and lay faithful.



Please register in advance on

<https://northamptondiocese.org/courses/celebrating-our-riches/>

You will then be sent details of how to join the online Zoom session.

Preparing for the New Lectionary

Wednesday 6 November 2024

7.30pm-9.00pm

A presentation to introduce the new translation of our Lectionary that will be introduced from the First Sunday of Advent. This is an abbreviated version of the presentation given to the clergy in July from the Liturgy Office.



Please register in advance on

<https://northamptondiocese.org/courses/the-new-lectionary/>

You will then be sent details of how to join the online Zoom session.



St Thomas More Catholic Primary School



If your child turns 4 before 31st August 2025; you are warmly invited to come and have a look around our school.

Reception 2025 School Tours

Saturday 5th October: from 9am to 3pm
Wednesday 9th October: from 9.15am to 12pm
Wednesday 13th November: from 9.15am to 12pm
Saturday 16th November: from 9am to 3pm

**To book a slot, please contact our Office -
Phone: 01536 512112**



**This is a Good School
OFSTED 2023**

Skills

Talents

Interests



Welcome!

Perhaps you are new to the parish, or have been coming to Mass each week for years, but not sure how to go about getting involved?

Our parish has many groups. All of them would welcome new members.

We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us.....
If it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully. *13. Romans 12:6a, 8*

Do you have a skill, talent or interest that with the right support and encouragement, you would feel able and willing to share with others in time.

Your voice matters

We are blessed with such a rich, diverse and vibrant catholic community in Kettering, that we want to ensure everyone feels they belong to St. Edwards, and a valued parishioner.

We would love to hear your ideas

If you are interested in getting involved in anything in the parish, please speak to Fr Gregory after mass, or contact him via email or telephone. He will do his best to point you in the right direction. **Telephone:** 01536 512497

Email: parish.stedwardkettering@northamptondiocese.org

Be part of our rich, diverse and vibrant catholic community