

2 The Grove, Kettering NN15 7QQ. Telephone 01536 512497

Website: <https://www.stedwardskettering.org.uk/>

Email: parish.stedwardkettering@northamptondiocese.org

Church Hall/ Upper Room Bookings: Contact Ewa on Thurs or Fri morning via parish.stedwardkettering@northamptondiocese.org or 01536 512497

Parish Priest: **Fr. Gregory Marchwiński** Assistant Priest: **Fr. Elvis Jose**

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, B 2nd June 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**

* * * * *

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

*I am the living bread
which has come down from heaven*



*Anyone who eats this bread
will live for ever.*

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.

- + **Kathleen Murtagh (Kathy)** - Her funeral will be held at the Crematorium on Friday, **7th June at 2.30 pm.**
- + **Martin Patrick Earley** - His funeral will be held at the Crematorium on Friday, **14th June at 1.30 pm.**
- + **Joanna Quinn** - (née Adams) died peacefully on 21st May. Her funeral service will be held at the Crematorium on Thursday, **13th June at 11 am.**

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

THE ETERNAL TOMORROW



The controversy over payment of taxes in Mark 12 cut to the heart of the Jews' self-identity. Were they subjects to Yahweh or to a foreign power? The coin Jesus requested, a denarius, was the average wage of the common man. It had image of the Emperor embossed on it, representing not only the political reality imposed on Palestine at the time but also the will of the Roman gods. Paying taxes with a denarius, then, recognised the power of the state and its gods. That cut to the heart of the debate. Did a Jew deny his identity and his God by paying tribute to Rome?

The leaders thought they caught Jesus in a trap. If He said "No" to paying taxes, He committed treason against Rome, a capital offense. If He agreed, He denied His own allegiance to YHWH. He slipped out of the trap with a realist's answer: give to Caesar the tax owed to him, but give to God your all.

Implicitly, Jesus recognised ethical living was not painted in blacks and whites; sometimes there were shades of grey, times of compromise necessary for a greater good. Paying taxes in His time was one of those necessary evils to keep the peace for the region. There were times to stand on a principle and times to compromise. To determine the right time for the right action required wisdom, not zeal.

Jesus also enters into an intricate debate with the Sadducees this week, a discussion that might elude the modern reader (Mark 12: 18-27). The Sadducees were a small but powerful party of Temple elites. As theological minimalists, they restricted faith and duty to worship of Yahweh found in the Torah; they rejected any tenet outside the first five books of the Bible, including belief in the resurrection. When they argued with the Lord, they presented a scenario based upon "kinsman-redeemer" law (Deuteronomy 25:5-10). Posing the scenario of the seven brothers raising children for the first brother who had died, they asked "In the resurrection, when they rise, whose wife will she be of them? For the seven had her as a wife." Its absurd conclusion meant to show the incompatibility of the belief with the Law. God's word could not be broken and faith in the resurrection was outside that word, they concluded.

Jesus counter-argued in two ways. First, He said the institution of marriage did not exist in the resurrection; the raised are like angels. Second, He trumped the passage the Sadducees cited with the passage of the primary revelation: Moses before the burning bush (Exodus 3:6). Yahweh, the living Deity, revealed Himself as the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. Jesus

hinged His argument on the term "living." Obviously, God could not die; He always lived. But the Lord added the notion that, for God to be God, He needed worshipers, living beings to give Him the praise He was due. The dead could not worship, so there must be those in the heavenly court who lived (for example, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob). Hence, He concluded "He is not the God of the dead, but the living."

While the argument Jesus had with the Sadducees might strike us as odd, it cut to the heart of faith. What kind of deity do we worship, the God of the dead or the living? In other words, do we live our faith as if there is an eternal tomorrow, a life with God both now and forever?

JUNE - THE MONTH OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

**On every Friday of this month, before Benediction,
we will pray the Litany to the most Sacred Heart of Jesus.**



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

KETTERING, CORPUS CHRISTI SUNDAY IN THE PAST



Times have changed and we do not process around the streets as we once did. I am aware that a few parishioners would like to bring the procession back. I have copied many photos from our archives, which hopefully will inspire us for the future. Please enjoy the glimpse into the past at the end of this newsletter.

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**.

WE ARE SOON OPENING ST EDWARD'S DURING THE WEEK FOR PRIVATE PRAYER



Many thanks to those who attended our meeting last Wednesday. I am pleased to inform you that with the help of several parishioners we will open St Edward's church for private players in June and in the following months. The church will remain open on each Wednesday after Mass until 1 pm, starting on **5th June**. The list of volunteers who will look after the church will remain open, and everyone is welcome to join and support the teams. If our current arrangement works well and if we have more volunteers, we will expand the days and times when people can come and pray privately. Please take this opportunity to spend some time with the Lord.

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.**

HAPPY 50TH ANNIVERSARY TO ST THOMAS MORE SCHOOL



After the Mass, Bishop David and Father Gregory buried the time capsule in the newly opened prayer garden.

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 am.***

>> 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.**

CONFIRMATION



Bishop David is coming to St Edward's to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation with the children of St Edward's, St Thomas more and the children from non-Catholic schools on **Thursday 11th July at 7 pm**. The practice will take place on Tuesday, 9th July at 6 pm. All candidates must attend the practice.

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/>

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>

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.

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

**St Edward's Parish
Celebrating more than 100 years of Corpus Christi.**

June 1922





+++++

1923



+++++

1924



Canon Joseph Tonks







Madge Moulding, Agnes Burns, Eva Horan, Agnes Langley



Herbert Winterhalder



Robert Bell, Mr Langley, Gerard Langley, William Moulding, Rev Walter Gumley OP, Jim Green





+++++

1926



Procession turning into Bowling Green Rd from London Rd

+++++

1939







In the convent garden



+++++

1940





+++++

1941









+++++

1942





+++++

1943





+++++

1973





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.

WATOTO UK
124 City Road
London EC1V 2NX
020 3225 1048 | uk@watoto.com

WATOTO.com

St. Thomas More Feast Day at Raunds Chapel Saturday June 22nd 2024

**Saint Paul the Apostle | Thrapston - Saint Thomas More | Raunds The Most Holy
Name of Jesus | Oundle**

Office: 2 St Paul's Gardens, Thrapston, NN14 4FE 01832 617 050

www.eastnorthantscatholic.org - parish.eastnorthants@northamptondiocese.org

PROGRAMME

Pilgrimage:

8.30am All those taking part meet at

St. Paul the Apostle R.C Church, 4 Sackville St.,
Thrapston NN14 4NZ (dress for weather!)

8.45am Walking pilgrimage and prayers to St. Thomas
More, Raunds (about 5miles) Lead by Nuala Salter
(please arrange own return etc. transport)

**At St. Thomas More Chapel, 6 Marshalls Rd,
Raunds NN9 6HP:**

11.30am Arrivals – refreshments (S.V.P)

11.45am Welcome – Prayers for the day including
prayers by St Thomas More

Midday – Angelus and Litany of Blessed Virgin Mary
Mother of the Church and Queen of Martyrs

12.10pm Introduction to and performance of a short
play based on the letters of Thomas More, whilst
imprisoned, to his daughter Margaret.

12.45pm LUNCH (SVP)– Tables outside if weather
good

1.15pm Set up and screening of '*A Man for All Seasons*' (in main body of church)

Also: Rosary talk and prayers with a chance to make your own decade, lead by Nuala Byrne-Wilker (in hall)

3.15pm Praise and worship by choir directed by Vince

3.50pm Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament with Meditation by Fr. Benedetto

4.40pm Benediction

5.00pm Vigil Mass of the Patronal Solemnity

Clean up (volunteers)

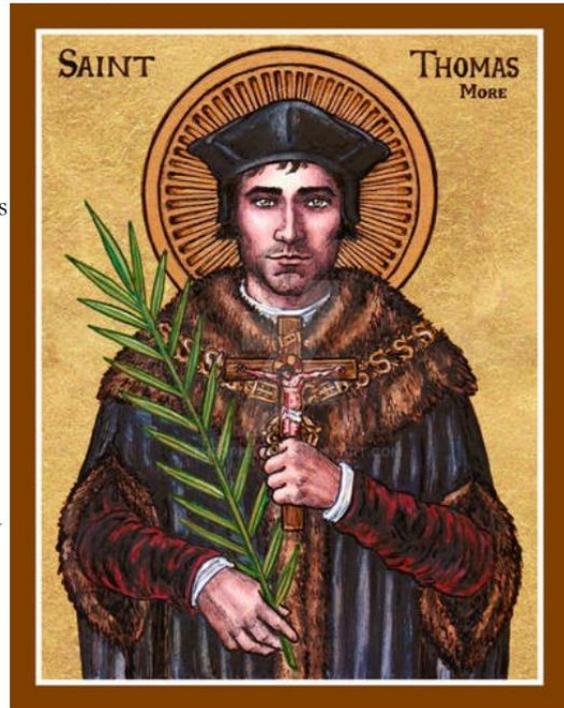
There will be a chance to invite folks to write their prayer intentions and tie them with ribbon to our railings
which will be offered in the Mass.

ALL WELCOME!

Visitors don't have to stay all day, all welcome to drop in or out as they wish.

Donations for St. Vincent de Paul(S.V.P) and Church maintenance.

****Please CAR SHARE where possible****





LIFE · FAMILY · VOCA^TION

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/>



THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE
OF NORTHAMPTON 

Places Limited

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/>