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*Pentecost*

*19<sup>th</sup> May 2024*

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## 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**

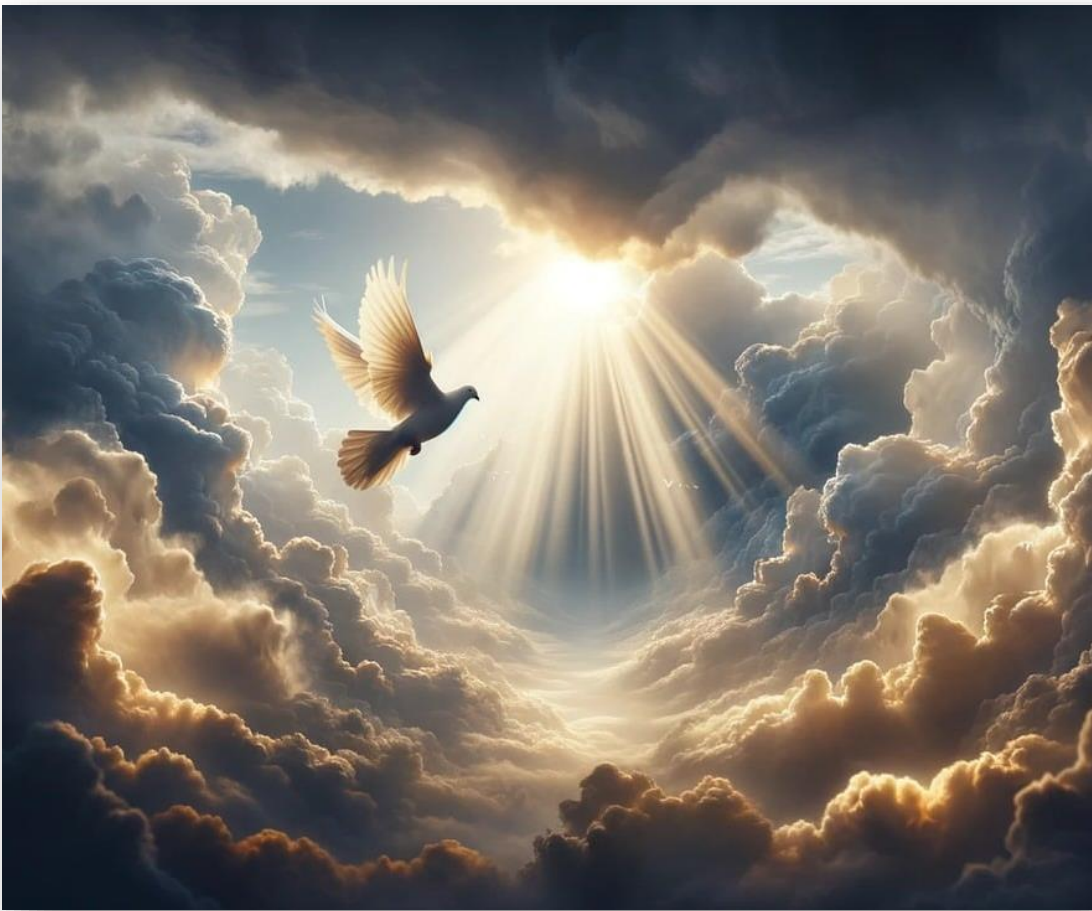
## MASS TIMES AT ROTHWELL

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

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*For the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month, please check the newsletter*

*Come, Holy Spirit,  
fill the hearts  
of your faithful...*



*... and kindle in them  
the fire of your love.  
Alleluia!*

## THIS WEEK'S INTENTIONS



- Saturday** 06.30 pm - Margaret Gleeson RIP
- Sunday** 08.30 am - Miguel Baring RIP, 3<sup>rd</sup> anniv.  
09.00 am - / **Burton Latimer** / - Sr Aidan int.  
10.30 am - Kenneth and Philomen Pierre-Louis int.,  
Millicent Pierre-Louis RIP  
12.15 pm - / **Rothwell** / - N. Everington personal int.
- Monday** (No public Mass) - Edward Henry Manning
- Tuesday** 09.30 am - *Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament*  
10.00 am - N. Everington personal int.
- Wednesday** 10.00 am - For the Holy Souls
- Thursday** 07.00 pm - James Bolger RIP
- Friday** 10.00 am - *Anniversary Mass for St Thomas More School*  
06.30 pm - *Adoration and Benediction*  
07.00 pm - For the Holy Souls
- Saturday** 06.30 pm - For the Parish
- Sunday** 08.30 am - Lynne Dicks 58<sup>th</sup> birthday /  
- Dorothy and Martin Mannion RIP  
09.00 am - / **Desborough** / - For the Desborough community /  
- Juana Garrido RIP  
10.30 am - Chuks and Georginia Nwajei  
thanksgiving for 10<sup>th</sup> wedding anniv. /  
- Moises Soares dos Reis RIP

*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

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### 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.*

+ **Sebastiano Isaia** - his funeral will be held at St Edward's on

**Tuesday, 21<sup>st</sup> May at 12 pm.**

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

## HELP MY UNBELIEF



How many times have we been caught in a moment of crisis to call out in prayer? The prayer itself is an act of belief, but the immediate panic underlining the prayer reveals our doubt. This is not an "either-or" situation, but a moment of human indecision when we cry out for help. Such was the problem an unnamed father faced with his demon possessed child. (Mark 9:14-29)

The situation was dire for the man. His son displayed self-destructive issues that would cause us to shrink away; he was a deaf-mute who foamed at the mouth, threw himself into fire and water, even to the point of wasting away. The father asked the disciples who were not able to exorcise the demon. So the Lord ejected the spirit with a command. The death-resurrection motif used foreshadowed what Jesus would experience; the more "infected" the person, the more that poor soul needed to die to the "infection" in order to live. Indeed, the Lord himself needed to suffer death, so He could conquer death. Fighting with great evil, Jesus said, required preparation. In the case of the deaf-mute, prayer and fasting.

"I believe. Help my unbelief." Our times of panic do pass but do they strengthen or weaken our spirituality? It depends on how we prepare for them. We can't prepare directly, of course, but through prayer and other spiritual disciplines we can keep our eyes on the Lord and fight off attacks from evil.

The Lord employed extreme imagery to make His point, a tactic not uncommon in the ancient world. Excising the eye, hand or foot from the body was metaphorical, since the Torah expressly forbade self-mutilation. It was not the body part that was ejected, but the activity associated with that part; if what the person saw caused sin, turn away. If what the person did with his hands or travelled by foot caused sin, turn away. The parable of mutilation, however, had a deeper irony, for Jesus inferred that a person who made himself unclean by mutilation could enter the Kingdom, while the whole sinner could not. He described punishment for sin with a reference to Gehenna, an infamous area outside Jerusalem known for human sacrifice using a white-hot fire (2 Chronicles 28:3, inferred in Isaiah 30:33 as the "burning place").

Jesus finished the discourse with some strange turns. First, He shifted fire and sacrifice (inferred in the Gehenna image) from an act of punishment to an act of persecution; both fire and sacrifice were like salt, which "seasoned" the disciple, preparing him for the Kingdom.

Finally, He spoke of salt as a parable of seasoning; those who survived oppression have an inner strength (salt) to carry on, but those who lose that strength were as good as useless. That inner strength brought confidence and communal peace, despite challenges from the outside.

*Let us reflect on our own "salt". How do we prepare each day for the inevitable times of trial? Does our example add to the faith of others or detract from it?*

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## 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](http://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.

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## THE BETHLEHEM NATIVITY GROUP



The Bethlehem Nativity Group TBNG, A missionary from Bethlehem, The Holy Land, will visit St Edward's on the weekend **18th / 19th May** to briefly talk about the Holy Land and sell religious articles made out of Olive Wood to help and support the poor Christian families, any help you could give to them it will be highly appreciated.

*"When you help the poor, you help our Lord".*

## AN INVITATION FROM ST THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC SHOOOL

You are cordially invited to celebrate  
*50 years of St. Thomas More Catholic  
Primary School*

on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2024.

At 10am, there will be a Mass of celebration for all of our school family with  
Bishop David at St. Edward's Church, Kettering.

From 1:15pm, the school will be hosting an open afternoon for past staff and  
pupils.

At 2:40pm, we will be joining as a school family to place a time capsule and  
officially open our prayer garden.



RSVP by Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2024  
Telephone: 01536 512112  
Email: [office@stm.ket.olicatschools.org](mailto:office@stm.ket.olicatschools.org)



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## A WARM WELCOME TO THE NEW MEMBERS OF THE UCM



Last Wednesday there was a Mass for the **Union of Catholic Mothers** who welcomed two new members. We congratulate them on being enrolled.

## PATRONAL SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY 26<sup>th</sup> MAY



The Desborough church and community are under the patronage of the Most Holy Trinity, and therefore on **26<sup>th</sup> May at 9 am** there will be our usual Mass at Desborough followed by a little celebration with coffee and cake.

Fr Gregory and Fr Elvis and all the members of the community would like to invite parishioners from elsewhere to join them on this special occasion.

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### 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, **3<sup>rd</sup> June 2024**.

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### COFFEE MORNINGS



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

On **3<sup>rd</sup> July** - **the Burton Latimer Community** / on **7<sup>th</sup> 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, 7<sup>th</sup> June at 6.30 pm.**

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## 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.

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## 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/>

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## VOCATIONS WEEKEND FOR WOMEN



### Vocations Weekend for Women (20s & 30s)

**Theme: Discerning God's Call in your life**

**Dates: 24 - 26 May 2024**

**Location: Liverpool**

The weekend is organised by the Sisters, Faithful Companions of Jesus (FCJ). **Jesus invites each of us to 'Come and See' - this weekend will give the opportunity to explore the vocation to religious life and to reflect on God's call to you.**

If you are wondering if God is calling you to religious life and would like to find out more why not come along? You are welcome to stay for the weekend or just come along on Saturday for the day. There will be opportunity for prayer, reflection and input, chance to ask questions and to meet others who are also wondering where God is calling them.

**For more information contact Sr Lynne at [fcjvocationeurope@gmail.com](mailto:fcjvocationeurope@gmail.com) or visit our website [www.fcjsisters.org](http://www.fcjsisters.org)**

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## 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](mailto: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](mailto: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).

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## 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.stedwardkettering.org.uk/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/Kettering-Food-Outlets-Virus-Update-no32.pdf>

**Mary's Meals** <https://youtu.be/llgBIXrVJzw> / **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](mailto: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.

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## 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.**

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### **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](http://www.northamptondiocese.org/your-legacy) or contact Brian Emmanuel on 01604 600337 or [brian.emmanuel@northamptondiocese.org](mailto:brian.emmanuel@northamptondiocese.org)



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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](http://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/>