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6th Sunday of Easter, year C

25th May 2025

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.

Jesus said to his disciples: If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him.



Peace | leave with you;
my peace | give to you.



>> BISHOP DAVID'S VISITATION - Each Mass will be followed by refreshments.

12.15 pm - / Rothwell / - For the Parish

> 2nd Collection next weekend will be for **Seminarian Joseph**.

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.

BISHOP DAVID'S CANONICAL VISITATION



Bishop David and Fr Gregory in 2020. Since then, only the church has changed...

Bishop David will be visiting our parish this weekend. I am sure we will give him a warm St Edward's Parish welcome! Due to this special occasion, everyone is invited to join Bishop David for refreshments in the parish hall after each Mass. Please notice that the **9 am Mass at Desborough** will be **cancelled**, and all the outlying communities are invited to attend the three Masses at St Edward's.

>>> Meetings in the Parish Hall <<<

>> **3.30 pm** - Bishop David's meeting with **Mission Kettering**

>> **5.00 pm** - Bishop David's meeting with the **Parish Finance Committee**

Saturday, 24th May, Vigil Mass

6.30 pm - St Edward's and the **BURTON LATIMER** community

- Refreshments after Mass will be hosted by the **Burton Latimer** community,
Legion of Mary, UCM, Flower Ladies, and possibly other parish groups.

Sunday, 25th May

>>> **9.00 am** - **No Mass at Desborough**

8.30 am - St Edward's and the **DESBOROUGH** community

- Refreshments after Mass will be hosted by the **Desborough** and **Indian** communities.

10.30 am - St Edward's and the **ROTHWELL** community

- Refreshments after Mass will be hosted by the **Rothwell**,
Filipino and **Nigerian** communities

A BIG THANK YOU TO SEMINARIAN JOSEPH



Seminarian Joseph will be leaving our parish to join Fr Pius in Slough next week. The last two months have flown by. We hope that this time for Joseph has been useful, that he will leave with many ideas and advice from Fr Elvis and myself, and from the parishioners. We are very grateful for his assistance during Mass, for leading devotions such as the Litany of Loreto, for helping with the Easter liturgies and decorations. He has been invaluable in rebuilding and simplifying our website. The Soup Kitchen teams were pleased to see his involvement on Tuesdays. It has been a pleasure to host him in the presbytery. He is very warm and approachable. We wish him all God's graces, so that he persists in his vocation and deepens his friendship with the Lord. He is always welcome to Kettering Parish.

Next weekend there will be a second collection for him.

NEW WINESKINS PROCESS



Bishop David has asked us to reflect on all aspects of parish life to create a plan to ensure we are resilient and mission-focused into the future. There are many opportunities to take part in this process by joining a conversation. A small group of parishioners from across the churches will read all the listening reports and develop scenarios leading to a final plan. We had two open meetings when people were given the opportunity to help shape this plan. This process is being supported by Avril Baigent, from the Office for Pastoral Development. You can find more information about the process here: <https://northamptondiocese.org/diocesan-discernment-processes/>

LISTENING AND DISCERNMENT



Each group or community is encouraged to choose a date and a time and venue for the meeting. Please speak to Fr Gregory if you would like to book the parish hall.

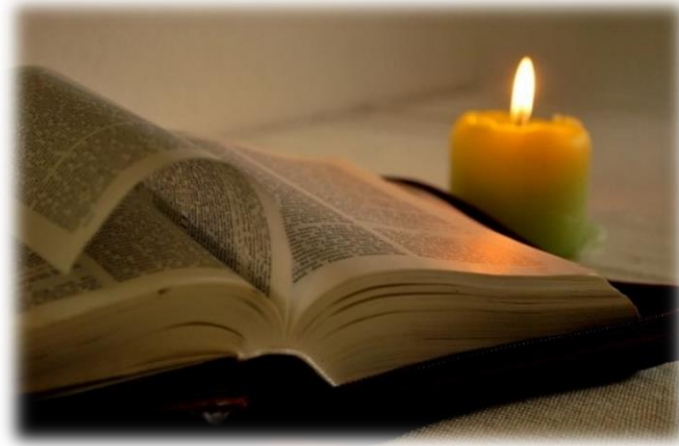
A simple programme for our listening sessions

1. We begin our sessions with up to 15 minutes of prayer to the Holy Spirit. We can use the following prayer: ***Come Holy Spirit! Fill us with the fire of your love. Amaze us, disturb us, occupy our hearts, teach us to be pilgrims of hope. Empower us to listen and speak graciously, to discern your will for our pastoral area. Inspire us to be the radical presence of Christ in our homes, in our parishes and throughout the world. All this we ask of you, in communion with the Father and the Son, forever and ever, Amen.***
2. Reading from the Bible. It can be any passage from the Old or New Testament or the Gospel Reading of the day.
3. We read it twice with a moment of meditation in between.
4. We share what has resonated with us and what moved us during the time of silence.
5. We move on to what is the essence of the meeting which is the Conversation in the Spirit. This can last up to 45 minutes. We need to remember that we are asked to speak graciously and listen graciously. If the group is large, it can be divided into smaller groups.
6. At this point we discuss what Bishop Davis has asked us to reflect on by saying:
 - + **What is good about our Catholic community currently?**
 - + **What are the needs in our local area?**
 - + **How do we work together to seize new opportunities?**
7. Each person will be given a chance to speak without interruption. Then every person is allowed to say what resonated with them when they listened to each other.
8. There will be a pause for reflection during which everyone decides what were the common themes of the conversation and then one person will prepare a summary of our thoughts and feedback.
9. Closing prayer, for example: *Glory be to the Father...*

A small discernment group will develop the key themes that have arisen from the meetings. These will be then turned into plans through ongoing consultation.

OUR PARISH GROUPS AND COMMUNITIES AND THE STAGE THAT EACH HAS REACHED

Please keep Fr Gregory updated.



We had two open meetings held at St Edward's:

- after the **10 am** Mass on **Wednesday, 14th May** - **COMPLETED**
- after the **7 pm** Mass on **Thursday, 15th May** - **COMPLETED**
- Burton Latimer Community - **COMPLETED**
- Desborough Community - **COMPLETED**
- Rothwell Community - **COMPLETED**
- St Thomas More School - **Session with parents COMPLETED**
 - Session with children **COMPLETED**
 - Session with staff **COMPLETED**
- St Edward's School - **WILLING** to participate
- Filipino Community - **COMPLETED**
- Nigerian Community -
- Indian Community - **WILLING** to participate
- Hospital staff - **WILLING** to participate
- UCM - **WILLING** to participate
- SVP - **COMPLETED**
- Legion of Mary - **WILLING** to participate
- Choir - **COMPLETED**
- Music Group - **SCHEDULED** for Sunday, **8th June** after 10.30 am Mass
- Eucharistic Ministers -
- Hospital Ministers - **COMPLETED**
- Readers - **SCHEDULED** for Wednesday, **28th May** at **2.30 pm**
- Mission Kettering - **SCHEDULED** for Saturday, **21st June** at **4 pm**
- Parish Finance Committee - **COMPLETED**
- Youth Group and Altar servers - **COMPLETED**
- Children's Liturgy and Catechists - **COMPLETED**
- Flower Group and Cleaners - **COMPLETED**
- Scouts and Brownies - **COMPLETED**
- Welcomers - **SCHEDULED** for Thursday, **29th May** after 7 pm Mass
- Soup Kitchen teams - **COMPLETED**

ANOTHER 'BEFORE AND AFTER'

When our gutters were painted, it was noticed that the flat roof was damaged and there was a danger of a leak into the church. We caught it in time to prevent further deterioration.

At present all our church buildings are being surveyed at the behest of the diocese as part of the synodal review. We spotted this problem and dealt with it before they arrived.



Dominican Marian Retreat Day
in Our Lady of Walsingham Church, Corby
Saturday 31st May AD 2025



In our Lady's Parish at Corby, on **Saturday 31st May**, the day on which The Church observes 'The Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary' all are invited to spend an afternoon in the company of Our Lady, guided by two Dominicans from our Diocese. We pray that just as Our Lady visited her cousin Elizabeth in Ain Karim (Beth Jacob), a village located west of Jerusalem, so she may assist us by her prayers and favours.

The Timetable

11.30am	Sacrament of Confession
11.45am	Chaplet of St. Dominic
12.00noon	Holy Mass
12.30pm	Lunch (Please bring your own packed lunch)
1.15pm	Talk by Father Richard Ounsworth, OP
2.00pm	Eucharistic Exposition & Confession
3.00pm	Tea, coffee and cake
3.30pm	Talk by Sister Philomena Benedict, OP
4.00pm	Holy Rosary
4.30pm	Dominican Blessing & Dismissal
5.30pm	Vigil Mass

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASSES IN 2025



*Saturday, 14th June at 11 am - for Children from **St Edward's School***

*Saturday, 28th June at 10 am - for Children from **non-Catholic schools***

*Saturday, 5th July at 10 am - for Children from **St Thomas More School***



CONFIRMATION 2025



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 3rd July at 7 pm**. The practice will take place on Tuesday, **1st July at 6 pm**. All candidates must attend the practice.

YOUTH GROUP



If your son or daughter is between 'Year 6' - 17 years old, and if you would like him or her to take part in our youth group activities, please email the parish office and request a registration form. The next meeting will be on: **Friday, 6th June 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, 2nd June at 7.00 pm** at St Edward's Church. You do not need to book in advance to attend the meeting. You can just turn up.

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

COFFEE MORNINGS



The next **Wednesday Coffee Morning** in the parish hall, will be run by the **UCM** after 10.00 am Mass on 4th June.



ST EDWARD'S CHURCH IS OPEN EVERY WEDNESDAY



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/>

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD



This will place during the 10.30 am Sunday Mass on the following dates: -

15th June, 22nd June, 20th July

After the summer holidays, the Children Liturgy will restart on 21st September. The Children's Liturgy is for children in Year R, [accompanied by their parents] and children in Years 1,2,3. Due to the anxiety felt by some parents, it is suggested that if parents wish, they may accompany the children into the hall and as the children go into the Lower Room for Children's Liturgy; they remain in the hall and take part in the Celebration of Holy Mass via the screen. Everyone will return to the church via the sacristy door after the Bidding Prayers.

DIACONATE OPEN DAY



Considering the Diaconate? Are you feeling called to serve in a deeper way? Come and learn about the ministry of the Permanent Diaconate in our diocese at an Information Morning on Saturday, 31st May, from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM at St. Mary's Parish, 82 West St., Dunstable. This is a great opportunity to explore the vocation of a deacon, ask questions, and discern if God is calling you to this ministry. For more information, contact Fr. Tony Brennan at 01582 662710

or franthony.brennan@northamptondiocese.org

VIA LUCIS IN JUBILEE 2025

Stations of the Resurrection in the Peak District



Do you like prayer, friendship, good company, adventure, nature, mountain climbing and challenges? If so, this invitation is for you!

>> What is the minimum age? 18 is the minimum age.

>> Where will we start our adventure? We will go together by coach to

The Peak District to start our journey there.

>> When? Saturday, **12th July 2025** It will be a whole day challenging adventure.

>> What do I need? Proper mountain climbing shoes, warm clothes and something rainproof, something to eat and drink, a small wooden cross that you can make yourself.

>> How much will it cost me, and when is the final date to sign up? The total cost will be about £ 25. You can make a decision and let Father Gregory know by the end of May, but please don't wait, do it as soon as possible.



40 HOURS DEVOTION AT ST EDWARD'S 21st/22nd JUNE 2025



On the Friday and Saturday before **Corpus Christi Sunday**, our parish will be holding a **40 Hours Devotion** as a part of the **Jubilee Year Celebrations**. We still have a lot of time to prepare our parish for this event, but I wanted to give you a glimpse of what is planned for the weekend of **21st/22nd June**.

What I would like you to do in the coming weeks is to look at the schedule at the end of the online newsletter and to let me know if you and your community can accept my invitation to support our prayer initiative. Any ideas for your particular time slot would be welcome. For instance, you could lead: the Rosary, the Divine Mercy Chaplet, the Stations of the Cross, you can play and sing Eucharistic hymns, read and meditate on the Scriptures. You should also make time for silent prayer. The most important thing is to adore God present among us in the mystery of the Eucharist, and that is why the Blessed Sacrament is never left alone during those forty hours.

- Fr Gregory

What is the 40 Hours Devotion? The Forty Hours devotion is a special form of solemn exposition of the Most Holy Sacrament for about forty hours, during which continuous prayer is offered in adoration before the Eucharistic Jesus.

Why forty hours? According to St Augustine of Hippo, forty hours was the time Jesus spent in the Holy Sepulchre from burial on Good Friday to his resurrection on Easter day.

Symbolism of the number 40 in the Bible: The number 40 in the Bible represents a period of purification and atonement (reparation), of tribulation and spiritual trial, of penance and fasting, with the purpose of leading the faithful to repentance of one's sins and so to a renewed conversion to God:

- the Great Flood lasted forty days and forty nights (Genesis 7:12)
- Moses spent forty days on Mount Sinai waiting to receive the Law (Exodus 24:18);
- the journey in the desert of the prophet Elijah (1 Kings 19:8)
- the period of penance in the city of Nineveh lasted forty days (Jonah 3);
- the journey in the desert of the Jews lasted forty years;
- the period of fasting of Our Lord Jesus, after the Baptism, lasted forty days and nights (Matthew 4:2);
- the appearance of Christ to his disciples occurred for forty days after the resurrection (Acts 1:3).

A bit of history: There is uncertainty on how the devotion originated, possibly around the XII century in Dalmatia. However, the Forty Hours' devotion as it is known today began in Italy during the XVI century as a penitential period in preparation for the Paschal Triduum. In those times when there was great turmoil, instability and war in Europe, priests started exposing the Blessed Sacrament during the forty hours, beseeching the Lord especially for peace in the world. It was also used to draw people away from profane customs and, in fact, it spread as reparation to atone for the sins committed during "Carnevale" (carnival), but also as a remedy for the Reformation. Some of the people who started, developed and promoted the devotion were diocesan priests, others belonged to orders like the Barnabites, the Capuchins and the Jesuits. The Forty Hours' devotion is the origin of Perpetual Adoration.

Saints associated with the development of the Forty Hours: Saint Anthony Zaccaria, Saint Charles Borromeo, Saint Philip Neri, Saint Ignatius Loyola, Saint Alphonsus Liguori.



DIOCESAN NEWS



THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF NORTHAMPTON

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham

This year our diocesan pilgrimage to Walsingham takes place on Saturday 14 June. The pilgrimage will begin with Mass at the Basilica in the Catholic Shrine at midday followed by lunch and at 3pm pilgrims process from the Shrine, on the holy mile to the Abbey Grounds for the final service. Parish groups are welcome to attend and encouraged to bring parish banners with them for the procession. All are welcome.

Becket Festival at Northampton Cathedral

All are warmly invited to Northampton Cathedral for the **Becket Festival**, a special weekend celebrating **Saint Thomas Becket**, patron of our diocese, and marking **175 years of the Diocese of Northampton**.

175th Anniversary Mass

Our diocese will gather to celebrate this milestone on **Saturday, 5th July at 12:00 noon**. Please make every effort to attend. A digital invitation has been sent by Saffy—please respond promptly. Each parish has been allocated **five places**, and we hope every parish will be represented. Please let Saffy know as soon as possible how many will be attending from your parish. If your parish has a **banner or flag**, you are invited to bring it for the processions.

The Becket Lecture

At **3:00pm**, **Fr Andrew Coy**, secretary to the Apostolic Nuncio, will deliver the Becket Lecture on the theme “**Becket: A Saint for Europe**”, followed by **Vespers at 4:15pm**. Come and join this joyful diocesan celebration of faith, history, and community. All are welcome!

Luton Loudfence - Standing with Survivors of Abuse

Saturday, 7th June 2024, 11:00am – St Mary's Church, Luton

All are warmly invited to take part in **Luton LoudFence**, a powerful event of solidarity with those affected by abuse.

This initiative is a visible sign of our commitment to safeguarding and support for survivors. Participants are encouraged to **tie colourful ribbons** to the fence surrounding the church - a symbolic gesture of support, hope, and visibility for those whose voices have not been heard.

The event will include **prayers, reflection, and space to listen and stand together**. Let us come together as a community of faith to show that we are listening, we care, and we are committed to healing and justice.

For more information, visit: <https://northamptondiocese.org/loudfence/>

CAFOD Jubilee Icon Visitation

As part of the **Jubilee Year 2025: Pilgrims of Hope**, a special icon commissioned by CAFOD and created in Ethiopia will visit our diocese. Inspired by **Luke 4:18–19**, the icon reflects Jesus' message of hope and liberation. All are invited to pray and reflect with the icon during its visit.

Local schedule:

- **26 - 29 May** – Northampton Cathedral and surrounding parishes
- **29 May - 1 June** – St Joseph's, Bedford and nearby parishes
- **1 - 4 June** – St Peter's, Marlow

Join us as **Pilgrims of Hope**. [Further details can be found here](#)

Fatima Statue & Relics Visit – 21st June

The **Centenary Pilgrim Virgin Statue** of the **Immaculate Heart of Mary** and the **relics of Saints Francisco and Jacinta Marto** will visit **Northampton Cathedral** on **Saturday, 21st June 2025**.

Join us for a special day of prayer, veneration, and reflection, including:

- Mass
- Rosary for peace
- Fatima film and talk
- Brown Scapular enrolment
- Holy Hour

Bishop David will celebrate the **Vigil Mass at 6:00pm**.

All are welcome.

Please see the attached poster.

Enquiries: **Ann Comerford** – 01604 714556

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OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE



The Miraculous Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe will be in the Polish Church, 48 Pitts Road, Slough SL1 3XH from Sunday 25 May at 6 pm Opening Parish Mass to Sunday 1st June departure after the Parish Mass at 12 noon. All Welcome to celebrate with us "25 Years of Ministry". Please call Millie on 07957594646 for daily celebrations.

WEEKLY/MONTHLY DONATIONS



MONTHLY / WEEKLY DONATIONS. If there are any New or Existing Parishioners who would like to give to the Parish on a regular basis, then we would be delighted to hear from you. There is a Giving Enquiry Form available for you to complete which is situated on the Notice Board at the Entrance of St Edward's Church. The completed Enquiry Form can be folded and put in the Offertory Collection Bag when attending Mass or placed in an envelope, addressed "Giving Enquiry" and posted through the Presbytery Letter Box at 2, The Grove, Kettering. Alternatively, we can email a copy of this enquiry form on request. Upon receipt of the form, we will contact you to arrange completion of any further necessary paperwork.

Suggested Methods of Regular Giving:

Regular Standing Order via your Bank - this is the preferred way which saves paper and therefore is kinder to the environment. We receive advices of Parishioners payments from the Diocese and we are then able to make sure your donation reaches our Parish.

Giving through Weekly Dated Envelopes which are issued in boxes for use throughout the year.

Donations by Card is a new way of giving, and you will find the Dona Station next to the statue of the Sacred Heart.

Gift Aid, please may we encourage you to consider Gift Aiding your regular donations, providing that you are a UK Tax payer, this means that your giving is increased for the benefit of the Parish. You may indicate your interest on the giving enquiry form. You can also support the Parish by **making a donation through the letterbox** of the Presbytery.

Please be assured that all information provided is treated in a strict and confidential matter at all times.

Thank you for any help you can give.

*CELEBRATING THE
JUBILEE YEAR OF HOPE*



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THE GUILD OF
OUR LADY OF RANSOM

VISITATION OF THE
CENTENARY PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE OF THE
Immaculate Heart of Mary
AND THE RELICS OF SAINTS JACINTA AND FRANCISCO

Cathedral of Our Lady &
St Thomas of Canterbury

NORTHAMPTON NN2 6AG

Saturday 21st June 2025

Programme

10:50	Welcome.
11:00 – 11:15	Procession.
11.15 – 12.00	Mass, followed by Veneration of the relics of Ss Francisco and Jacinta Marto.
12.15 – 12.45	Rosary for world peace.
13.00 – 14.00	BREAK (BRING PACKED LUNCH)
14:00 – 14:35	Fatima Film.
14:35 – 15:20	Fatima Talk.
15:30 – 15.45	Enrol & Invest of the Brown Scapular.
16.00 – 17:00	Holy Hour / Reconciliation.
18:00 – 19:00	Sunday Vigil Mass (Celebrated by Bishop David)

For further details, please contact Ann Comerford on 01604 714556
email: Parish.cathedralhub@northamptondiocese.org

Car parking is available at the front and rear of the Cathedral, as well
as the Mayorhold Car Park.

Tea, coffee and soft drink provided, please bring a packed lunch.



Arranged by the World Apostolate of Fatima (England & Wales)
A Public Association of the Faithful
Registered Charity 1198986

Contact the World Apostolate of Fatima
Mobile no. 07788473210 (9 am to 5 pm only, Mon to Fri)

THE SIGNIFICANCE OF PRAYING THE DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION

WITH FR CHRIS ALAR, MIC

PROVINCIAL SUPERIOR OF THE MARIAN FATHERS OF
THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION AT THE NATIONAL
SHRINE OF DIVINE MERCY, STOCKBRIDGE,
MASSACHUSETTS



TUESDAY 3RD JUNE
2025

7.30PM - 9.15PM

ST JOSEPH'S PARISH
AUSTENWOOD COMMON
CHALFONT ST PETER
GERRARDS CROSS
SL9 8RY

Programme:

7.30pm - Welcome & Prayer
led by Fr Bob Davies, OCD

7.40pm - Talk: The
Significance of Praying the
Divine Mercy Devotion,
Fr Chris Alar, MIC

8.30pm - Q&A Session with
Fr Chris Alar, MIC

8.45pm - Refreshments &
Book Signing Opportunity

9.15pm - Depart



**Divine Mercy
Apostolate**

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WOMEN *of Hope*

SATURDAY 19TH JULY
ST MARY'S,
WOBURN SANDS
11-4.00 PM

IN THIS JUBILEE YEAR
NORTHAMPTON DIOCESE
WOMEN IN MINISTRY GROUP
INVITES YOU TO
A DAY OF CELEBRATION & HOPE

We will come together in prayer,
conversation and reflection to share and
celebrate the stories of our ministries,
past and present.

Our speaker will be **Avril Baigent**
who will lead us in an exploration of
our hopes for the future, using the
Synodal Listening Process.

Bishop David Oakley will join
us for the day and closing liturgy.

Please bring a packed lunch.
Light refreshments will be provided.

ALL WELCOME

<https://www.tickettailor.com/events/northamptondiocese/1600230>



Scan the code to
book your place

Phases of the Discernment Process

Prepare

Working with clergy
Training listeners
Gathering data

Listen

Listening groups held across parishes, schools, Catholic organisations and groups, engaging as many people as possible.
All voices are welcome.

Discern

A small local discernment group will develop key themes and scenarios from the listening. These will be turned into plans through ongoing consultation.

Act

Bishop David enacts the plan locally.

<https://northamptondiocese.org/diocesan-discernment-processes/>

Questions for reflection

1. What is good about our Catholic communities currently?
2. What are the needs in our local area?
3. How do we work together to seize new opportunities?

These are the questions for the listening phase. If you can't get to a small group, you can share your responses online via the QR code.



TIMETABLE FOR 40 HOURS ADORATION

Thursday 19 th June 2025	
12.00 pm	We ask for volunteers / individuals / groups
1.00 pm	We ask for volunteers / individuals / groups
2.00 pm	We ask for volunteers / individuals / groups
3.00 pm	We ask for volunteers / individuals / groups
4.00 pm	Flower group
5.00 pm	Polish community
6.00 pm	Soup Kitchen
7.00 pm	Mass

Friday 20 th June 2025	
7.00 am	Exposition UCM - confirmed
8.00 am	UCM - confirmed
9.00 am	UCM - confirmed
10.00 am	Rothwell community
11.00 am	Rothwell community
12.00 pm	Desborough community
1.00 pm	Desborough community
2.00 pm	Burton Latimer community
3.00 pm	Burton Latimer community
4.00 pm	St Thomas More Primary School - confirmed (children, parents and staff)
5.00 pm	St Edward's Primary School (children, parents and staff)
6.00 pm	Barry, altar servers and their parents

7.00 pm	Mass
8.00 pm	Filipino community
9.00 pm	Filipino community
10.00 pm	Indian community - confirmed
11.00 pm	Indian community – confirmed
12.00 am	Legion of Mary - confirmed

Saturday 21 st June 2025	
6.00 am	Andy - office of Readings followed by meditative Rosary
7.00 am	Andy - Lauds followed by info on Pier Giorgio Frassati who is to be canonised this year and introduction to contemplative prayer before Mass
8.00 am	UCM - confirmed
9.00 am	SVP
10.00 am	Parish choir
11.00 am	Polish community
12 noon	Flower group
1.00 pm	Soup Kitchen
2.00 pm	Readers
3.00 pm	Eucharistic ministers
4.00 pm	Parish choir
5.00 pm	Filipino community
6.30 pm	Vigil Mass (<i>Corpus Christi</i>)
8.00 pm	Nigerian community
9.00 pm	Indian community
10.00 pm	Mission Kettering group
11.00 pm	Legion of Mary - confirmed
12.00 am	BENEDICTION

Take the four week challenge



Volunteer for just four weeks and be amazed at the difference you'll make.

Week 1 See what we get up to

Week 2 Start to help out

Week 3 Get a little more involved

Week 4 You'll know if Scouting is for you.

We have a wide range of flexible roles either supporting young people or behind the scenes. Any help is truly amazing.

Interested?

Contact Theresa McNally on 07904 585215
or email ketteringscouts16@hotmail.co.uk

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Scouts
16th Kettering (St
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COFFEE MORNINGS 2025



These will be hosted in the Parish Hall after 10 am Mass on the following Wednesdays by our parish groups and communities.

Everyone is welcome!

4th June - U C M

2nd July - Burton Latimer

6th August - Desborough

3rd September - Rothwell

1st October - Soup Kitchen

5th November - Flower Arrangers and Readers

3rd December - Church Cleaners and Children's Liturgy



BEREAVEMENT MASSES

At St Edward's Catholic Church



*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 would like 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 2025

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

ST EDWARD'S PARISH, KETTERING

YOUTH GROUP 2025



If your son or daughter is between 'Year 6' - 17 years old, and if you would like him or her to take part in our youth group activities, please email the parish office and request a registration form.

Our meetings will be held in the parish hall on the following **Fridays**:

4th July

1st August

5th September

3rd October

7th November

5th December

>>6th June



Jubilee Year Indulgence



A plenary indulgence is a grace granted by the Church which cleanses our soul and helps us to grow closer to God. When we sin, we not only damage our relationship with God, we create a need for healing and repair in our souls and in the world. Through Reconciliation God forgives our sins, but the effects of our sins may still need to be addressed. Indulgences are a beautiful practice combining prayer, good works and spiritual renewal, to help repair that damage. Indulgences can also be applied to souls in purgatory.

HOW CAN I OBTAIN AN INDULGENCE?

Making A Pilgrimage

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| 1. To Rome | ➡ | ● The four papal Basilicas |
| 2. Elsewhere in the world | ➡ | ● Jubilee Shrines in Italy and the Holy Land |
| 3. Within our diocese | ➡ | ● Holy Child and St Joseph, Bedford |
| | | ● St Peter, Marlow |
| | | ● Northampton Cathedral |

PERFORMING ACTS OF MERCY, FORMATION AND PENANCE

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| 4. Extraordinary works of mercy | ➡ | ● Visiting prisoners the sick or lonely,
● Helping those in need
● Giving generous gift of your time or money |
| 5. Diocesan or Parish formation | ➡ | ● Participating in spiritual exercises
● Formation activities on the documents of the Second Vatican Council or Catechism |
| 6. Fasting from futile distractions | ➡ | ● Abstaining for at least one day per week from social media, video games, apps or television |

WHAT IF I CAN'T DO THOSE THINGS DUE TO SICKNESS OR OTHER SERIOUS REASON?

United in spirit with the faithful taking part in person, one may recite the Our Father, Apostles Creed and Jubilee Prayer, offering their sufferings or hardships of their lives.

What must I do?

Be detached
from all sin

Make a
Sacramental
Confession

Receive
Holy
Communion

Pray for the
Pope's
Intentions

Notes: Normally, only one plenary indulgence can be obtained per day. However, the faithful who have carried out an act of charity on behalf of the souls in purgatory, if they receive holy Communion a second time that day, can obtain the plenary indulgence twice on the same day (applicable only to the deceased.)

A single sacramental confession is sufficient for several plenary indulgences, but frequent sacramental confession is encouraged in order to obtain the grace of deeper conversion and purity of heart. For each plenary indulgence that is sought, however, a separate holy Communion and a separate prayer for the intentions of the Holy Father are required.



Our Jubilee Churches



The following churches have been designated Jubilee Churches by Bishop David Oakley within the Diocese of Northampton. A central focus of the Jubilee Year is the forgiveness of sins, especially through the granting of indulgences. As pilgrims of hope we are encouraged to make a pilgrimage to one of these churches, or another designated church outside our diocese, to obtain the graces of an indulgence. Pastoral areas, parishes and individuals are welcome to journey to any of these jubilee sites.

THE CATHEDRAL OF OUR LADY IMMACULATE AND ST THOMAS



1 Primrose Hill,
Northampton,
NN2 6AG
Parish Priest: Fr Simon Penhalagan
email: parish.cathedralhub@northamptondiocese.org
Tel: 01604 714556

Confessions: Saturday 10-11am and Friday 1-2pm

Pilgrims Mass: Friday at midday

First Saturday Devotions: Every First Saturday at 9.30am

THE HOLY CHILD AND ST JOSEPH

2 Bremerton Road,
Bedford,
MK40 1HU

Parish Priest: Canon Seamus Keenan
email: parish.stjosephbedford@northamptondiocese.org
Tel: 01234 352569

Confessions: Saturday 11.30-12.30pm

Weekday Mass: Mon-Fri, 10.45am

The Rosary: Each weekday at 10.20am (before Mass)

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament: Every Thursday
11.30am-7pm and every Saturday, 11.30am-12.30pm



ST PETER



7 St Peter Street
Marlow
Buckinghamshire
SL7 1NQ

Parish Priest: Canon John Udris
email: parish.stpetermarlow@northamptondiocese.org
Tel: 01628 483696

Monthly Jubilee Mass: First Friday of the Month at 7pm

Holy Hour: First Friday of the month at 6pm

Pilgrimages can be arranged by contacting the parish throughout the year. Groups are welcome to bring their own priest or use the priests from the parish. A jubilee talk can also be requested.

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